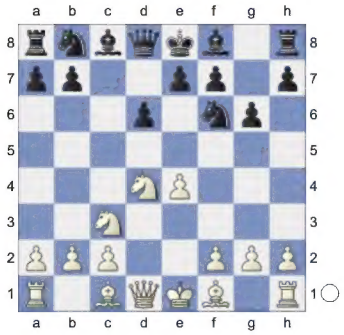
Sicilian Dragon Trends 100 Annotated Games 2025

Chess Notes 2025

1 **B72**
□ **Kottnauer** **3851**
■ **Feher,Gyula** **3717**
EU-Cup Online Final rapid (2.3) 26.04.20
[Kitty Kat]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



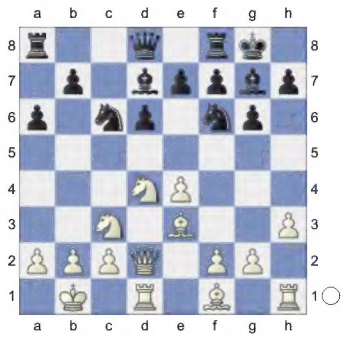
6.Be3 Bg7 7.h3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Bd7

[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 11.Kb1 Qc7 12.g4 Rac8 13.Bg2 b5 14.a3 Rb8 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 a5 17.Rhe1 Rfc8 18.Re2 b4 19.Rde1 Re8 20.axb4 axb4 21.b3 Qd8 22.g5 Nh5 23.Bf3 Bxd4 24.Qxd4 Sicilian Dragon-5. ♘xd4 g6 6. ♗e3 ♗g7 Survey 2011 Lexikon11 [Ftacnik,L]]

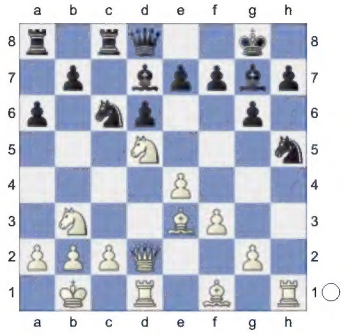
10.Kb1N

[10.g4 Rc8 11.Kb1 Ne5 12.f4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.e5 Ne8 15.Qd3 Rc8 16.Qe4 B 72/01 b6 17.Rhe1 e6 18.Bf2 Qe7 19.Qd3 dxe5 20.fxe5 Nc7 21.Nf3 Bc6 22.Bh4 Qc5 23.Nd2 Nd5 24.Nce4 Qa5 25.Nb3 Qa4 26.Qg3 Ba8 27.c3 Kh8 28.Nd4 Nb4 29.cxb4 Bxe4+ 30.Ka1 Bd5 31.a3 Gofshtein,L (2530)-Summerscale,A (2500) Tel Aviv 1997 CBM 059 [Schulz,Andre] 1-0 (37)]

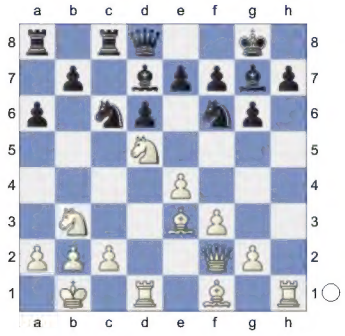
10...a6



11.f3 White is slightly better. **11...Qa5 12.Nb3 Qc7 13.h4 Rfc8 14.h5 Nxh5 15.Nd5 Qd8**



Black is on the road to losing. **16.Qf2** Inhibits Ng3. And now g4 would win. **16...Nf6**



17.g4! Strongly threatening Qh2. 0x0.001cd1732636dp-1022s more active pieces. **17...Ne5** 1.39/22

[⌓17...Nxd5 0.82/18 18.exd5 Ne5]

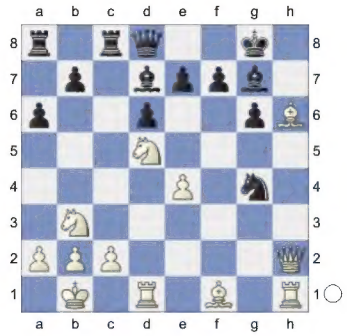
18.Qh2 h6

[18...Nxf3? 19.Nxf6+ exf6 20.Qxh7+ Kf8 21.Bh6 Bxh6 22.Qxh6+ Ke7 23.Qf4]

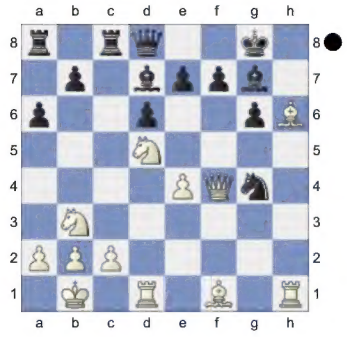
19.Bxh6 Nfxg4

[19...Nxf3? 20.Qh3 Ng5 21.Bxg5+-]

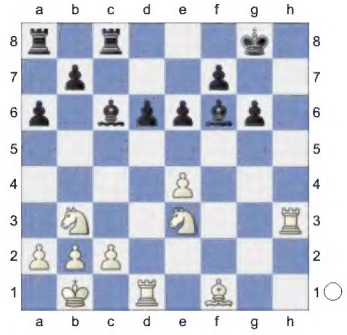
20.fxg4 Nxg4



21.Qf4



Threatens to win with Bxg7. **21...Nxh6** **22.Rxh6→** White is out for blood. **22...e6** **23.Ne3 Qf6 24.Qxf6 Bxf6 25.Rh3 Bc6**



26.Bd3 Rd8 27.Ng4 Bg7 28.c3 a5 2.44/21
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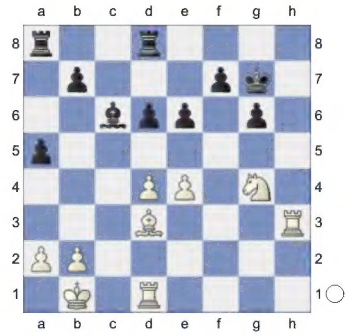
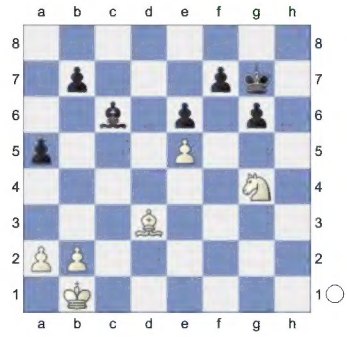
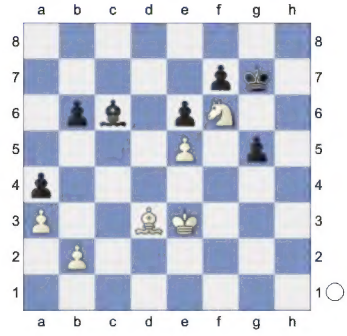


31.Rdh1 Rh8 Against Rh7+ **32.Rxh8 Rxh8 33.Rxh8 Kxh8 34.e5 dxe5 35.dxe5**
[Much less strong is 35.Nxe5?! Be8 36.Nc4 Bb5±]
35...Kg7

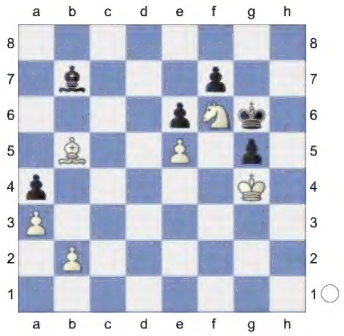


36.Kc2 g5 3.35/24
[⌓36...b6 2.36/20 37.Kd2 g5]
37.Kd2 a4 4.56/27
[37...Bd5 2.98/23 was worth a try. 38.a3 Bc6]
38.a3 b6 6.32/28
[⌓38...Bd5 3.95/24 39.Nf6 Bh1]
39.Nf6 White is clearly winning. **39...Kh6** **40.Ke3** Inhibits Bf3. **40...Kg7**



41.Kf2 Bb7 42.Kg3 Kh6 43.Kg4 b5

44.Bxb5 Kg6



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2 **B72**
□ **Stockfish** **3851**
■ **Xiphos** **3717**
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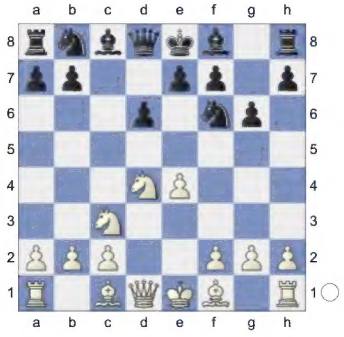


6.Be3 Bg7 7.h3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Wow if computers take over the World, is this really the way we might see the Dragon go? Okay so replace h3 with f3 and we have a 9 0-0-0 Yugoslav Attack that we've seen a billion times. Replace h3 with Be2 and we have the aggressive long castling Classical line that we check in on from time to time. This though in all our years has only been tacked in side notes. **9...Bd7**

[One of those being my observing that 9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 resembled a strange Yugoslav Attack, suggesting 'I feel it should be a good version for Black as he will have more tricks against the e4 pawn while White is a long way from opening the h file.' However White could try to utilise his f pawn here with a quick f4, Gawain providing us with: 11.Kb1

A) 11...Qa5 looks to highlight the loosened e4 pawn as the typical 12.Nd5 is nothing to fear Qxd2 13.Nxe7+? -1.74/5 *(13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Rxd2=; 13.Rxd2=* -0.05/23 *Nxe4 14.Nxe7+ Kh8 15.Bxg7+ Kxg7 16.Rd4 Nxf2 17.Rg1)* 13...Kh8-+ 14.Rxd2 Nxe4 15.Bxg7+ Kxg7 wins material.;

B) 11...Qc7 12.g4 Rac8 13.Bg2 b5 14.a3 Rb8 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 a5 17.Rhe1 Rfc8 18.Re2 b4 19.Rde1 Re8 20.axb4 axb4 21.b3 Qd8 22.g5 Nh5 23.Bf3 Bxd4 24.Qxd4 Sicilian Dragon-5.♘xd4 g6 6. ♗e3 ♗g7 Survey 2011 Lexikon11 [Ftacnik,L];

C) 11...Rc8 12.g4 0.01/19 *(12.a3± 0.57/17)* 12...b5!? *(12...d5!?)* 13.Bg2 (This move doesn't not convincing GJ) Rc4 14.Qe3 0.01/20 *(14.Ne2± 0.41/19)* 14...Qa5= 15.b3 Rxd4!? 16.Rxd4 Rc8 17.Nd5 Abreu Delgado,A (2474) -Lorenzo de la Riva,L (2407) Sant Marti 2010 when Nxd5 18.exd5 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Bd7 looks around level]

[An obvious comparison to make is in the possibility of 9...d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Nxd5 0.01/22 *(12.Bd4± 0.37/21)* 12...cxd5= 13.Qxd5 Qc7 14.Qxa8 0.06/22 *(14.Qc5± 0.46/18 Qb7 15.c3)* 14...Bf5= 15.Qxf8+! Kxf8 I have always thought that Black has compensation in the analogous (usual!) position with White having played f2-f3 rather than the h2-h3 here, but having the e3-bishop secure is very useful for White after 16.Bd3 In either instance the engine opts for the move that is 3rd most common in the 9 0-0-0 Yugoslav.]

10.Kb1N

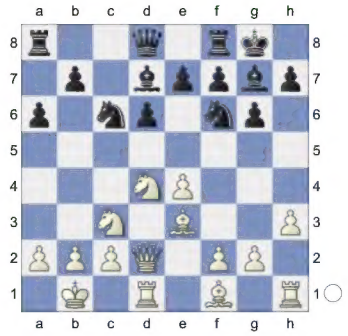
[10.g4 Rc8 11.Kb1 Ne5 12.f4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.e5 Ne8 15.Qd3 Rc8 16.Qe4 B 72/01 b6 17.Rhe1 e6 18.Bf2 Qe7 19.Qd3 dxe5 20.fxe5 Nc7 21.Nf3 Bc6 22.Bh4 Qc5 23.Nd2 Nd5 24.Nce4 Qa5 25.Nb3 Qa4 26.Qg3 Ba8 27.c3 Kh8 28.Nd4 Nb4 29.cxb4 Bxe4+ 30.Ka1 Bd5 31.a3 Gofshtein,L (2530)-Summerscale,A (2500) Tel Aviv 1997 CBM 059 [Schulz,Andre] 1-0 (37)]

10...a6

[As far as I can make out, the game Gasper,G-Hidalgo Mendoza,E ICC INT 2009 is the only other instance of this position arising when after 10...Qb8 11.f4 Rc8 12.g4 b5 13.g5?! -0.38/20 Black should have played 13...b4! but instead *(13.Nd5± 0.32/19 Nxe4 14.Qd3 Bxd4 15.Bxd4)* 13...Nh5?! 0.37/19 *(13...b4!∓ -0.38/20 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.Nxc6 Nc3+ 16.Qxc3 Bxc6)* 14.Nd5± Black must now prevent Nxc6. Kf8 1.37/19 *(* Better is *14...Qb7!± 0.34/18)* 15.f5 was very nice for White.]

[10...Rc8 is an obvious alternative whilst Black would have 'felt' more in the game through]

[10...b5!? 0.76/19 10...a6 0.29 e.g. 11.Bxb5 *(*Or *11.Ndxb5* 0.40/19 11.Bxb5 0.97 *Rb8)* 11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxb5 13.Nxb5 Nxe4 14.Qe3 Strongly threatening Bxg7. Nf6]



Instead with no immediate obvious danger to Black (i.e. given the earlier h2-h3 rather than an blitz), the slower approach is adopted. **11.f3** For those interested in making a direct comparison, basically we have a 9 0-0-0 Yugoslav Attack where Black deployed the arguably inferior variation 9... Bd7 but then h3 has been traded for ...a6, seemingly a gain for Black. White is slightly better. **11...Qa5?!** 0.63/20

[11...b5= 0.30/17]

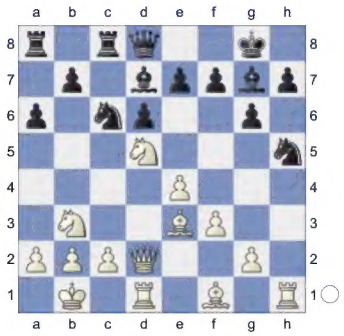
12.Nb3± Qc7 13.h4 Get your head around that! Yes, a plan reconsideration by White has prompted this or was all this so deep that White subtly manoeuvred Black into playing an inferior 9 0-0-0 Yugoslav attack line?

13...Rfc8

[The problem with the 'blocker' 13...h5 is that after 14.g4!? -0.03/20 *(*White should try *14.Bg5!±* 0.49/20 *)* 14...hxg4= 15.h5 there won't ever be any ...Rxc3 type saviours and so that leaves Nxh5 when the likes of Bh6

and Nd5 are looking very worrying!]

14.h5 Nxh5 Arguably asking for trouble but I don't much like Black's position. He's made a lot of moves (h2-h3-h4 even donating a tempo) but still isn't in a position to really do anything. **15.Nd5 Qd8**



It certainly doesn't look that much fun for Black who has grabbed a hot pawn and with no real attack of his own is basically looking to survive on the kingside. **16.Qf2** Possibly paving the way to spring out to h4 in the future or possibly cover the g3-square but it is interesting how White eschews Bh6 options in this game. Against Ng3

[Instead 16.Nb6 0.29/19 16.Qf2 1.07 Ng3 17.Rg1 Nxf1 18.Rgxf1 a5 19.Nxa8 Rxa8 would have left Black with a pawn and in an ...a4 plan, certainly some compensation for the exchange.]

16...Nf6 17.g4 Hoping for Qh2. &Bianco is much more active.

[Or 17.Nxf6+ 0.74/19 17.g4 1.05 first but White still refrains from]

[17.Nb6 evidently with checkmate rather than material game on 'his' mind!]

17...Ne5 1.50/22

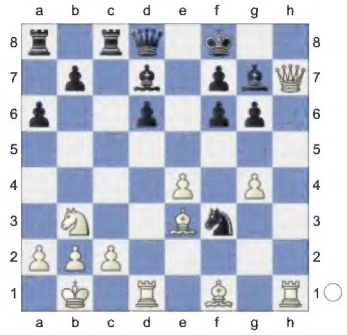
[⌓17...Nxd5 0.79/21 18.exd5 Ne5]

18.Qh2!

[Pretty direct and slightly more accurate than 18.Qh4]

18...h6 2.06/22

[18...Nxf3 2.82/20 18...Ba4 1.57 19.Nxf6+ exf6 *(or 19...Bxf6? #3/8 19...exf6 2.76 20.Qxh7+ Kf8 21.Bh6+ Ke8 22.Qg8#)* 20.Qxh7+ Kf8



21.Bh6! Bxh6 22.Qxh6+ Ke7 23.Qf4 Ne5 24.g5 is awful but already things are getting desperate.]

[18...Nxf3? 19.Nxf6+ exf6 *(19...Bxf6? is a self mate. 20.Qxh7+ Kf8 21.Bh6+ Ke8 22.Qg8#)* 20.Qxh7+ Kf8 21.Bh6 Bxh6 22.Qxh6+ Ke7 23.Qf4]

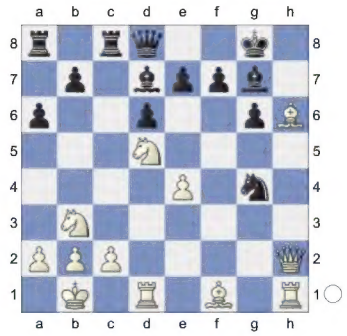
[18...Bb5± 1.45/21 might work better. 19.Nxf6+ exf6 20.Bxb5 *(20.Qxh7+ Kf8±)* 20...axb5 21.Qxh7+ Kf8]

19.Bxh6+- Nfxg4 Desperation to prevent Black simply crashing down the h-file.

[19...Nxf3 2.90/21 19...Nfxg4 1.65 20.Qf4 doesn't help.]

[19...Nxf3? 20.Qh3 Ng5 21.Bxg5+-]

20.fxg4 Nxg4

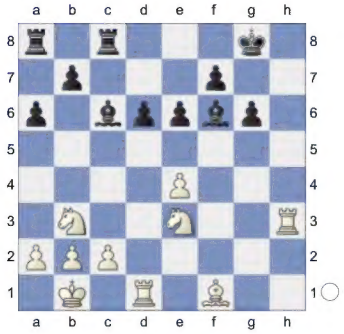


21.Qf4 Nxh6 22.Rxh6→ And now Bh3

would win. Black is in trouble. Dancing on a razor blade. **22...e6**

[Black is clinging to the hope that his Dragon bishop will save the day but that's a heavy burden on one piece. Nevertheless 22...Bxh6 2.51/20 22...e6 1.91 23.Qxh6 would leave White with the simple plan of moving his bishop to facilitate Rh1.]

23.Ne3 Qf6 Threatening a cheeky mate on b2 and hence forcing off the queens. **24.Qxf6 Bxf6** Now Black's king is safe and he has the bishop pair but the bottom line is that he only has two pawns for the piece and he retains a weak d6-pawn. **25.Rh3 Bc6**



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[28...b5 1.94/18 was necessary. 29.Na5 Rac8 30.Nxc6 Rxc6]

29.Nd4 Bxd4 Maybe objectively best but I couldn't see myself doing this. At the end of the day though a tad irrelevant as the endgame technique of Stockfish looks up to scratch! **30.cxd4 Kg7**

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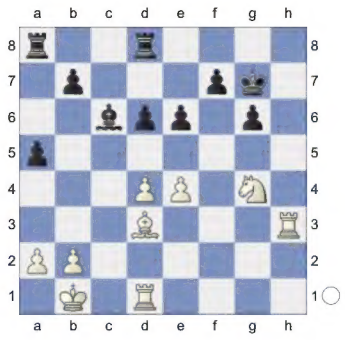
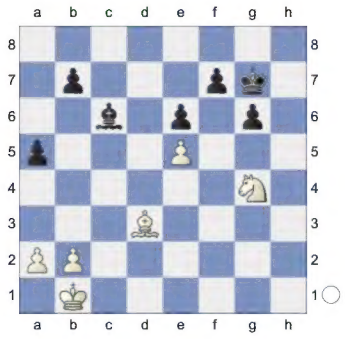


31.Rdh1 Rh8 Inhibits Rh7+. **32.Rxh8 Rxh8 33.Rxh8 Kxh8 34.e5!** Grabbing that f6-square and hence making it impossible for Black to create a threatening majority. **34...dxe5 35.dxe5**

[Weaker is 35.Nxe5 Be8 36.Nc4 Bb5±]

35...Kg7



36.Kc2 g5 3.23/24

[⌓36...a4 2.20/20 37.Kd2 g5]

37.Kd2 a4 4.21/26

[⌓37...Bd5 2.89/23 38.a3 Bc6]

38.a3 b6 6.07/28

[⌓38...Bf3 4.12/25 39.Nf6 Kh6]

39.Nf6 White is clearly winning. **39...Kh6 40.Ke3 Kg7**

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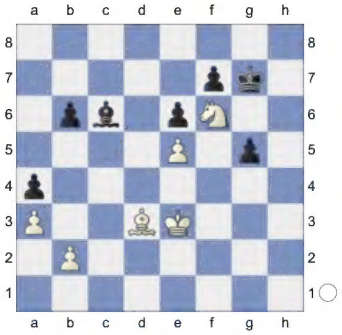

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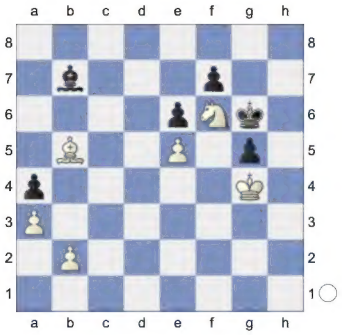

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3 **B77**
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■ **Stockfish** **3801**
TCEC Season 18 - Superfinal (33.1)
[Chris Ward]

B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
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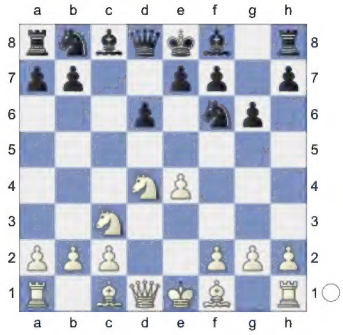

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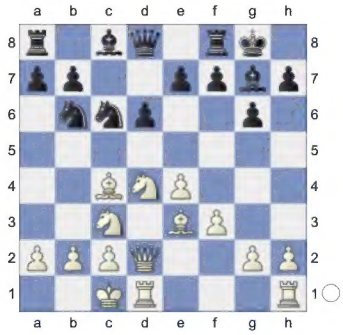

11.Be2!? Played nine times fewer in practice than 11 Bb3 but with better results. Moreover plenty of higher rated players have gone with this retreat including now of course a 3813 rated machine! On e2 the bishop still covers the c4-square but the point is that if now persistent in his desire to park a knight on that square through either 11... Na5 or 11...Ne5, then White can comfortably respond with 12 b3, a move not of course possible with a bishop there! Played nine times fewer in practice than 11 Bb3 but with better results. Moreover plenty of higher rated players have gone with this retreat including now of course a 3813 rated machine! On e2 the bishop still covers the c4-square but the point is that if now persistent in his desire to park a knight on that square through either 11... Na5 or 11...Ne5, then White can comfortably respond with 12 b3, a move not of course possible with a

bishop there! **11...d5** The negative side of retreating the bishop to e2 is the lack of control over the d5-square and hence why Black's response is thematic. The negative side of retreating the bishop to e2 is the lack of control over the d5-square and hence why Black's response is thematic.

[11...Na5 12.b3 Bd7 13.h4 a6 14.f4 e5 15.Nf3 exf4 16.Bd4 Qc7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Rac8 20.Bd3 Qc3 21.Qxc3+ Rxc3 22.Kb2 Rc7 23.c4 b5 24.Nd2 bxc4 25.bxc4 Rfc8 26.Rhf1 Panchanathan, M-King'S Indian,F Havana 2023 CT-2392 [John Watson] 0-1 (41)]

12.Nxc6

[This works out well for White but it's worth my pointing out that This works out well for White but it's worth my pointing out that 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Nxc6 bxc6 has basically reached a main line Yugoslav Attack 9 0-0-0 d5 variation but with White's bishop on e2. That's because White expended two moves on Bc4-e2 but Black three moves on N... d7-b6xd5. White would rather have Be2 included for free than not but whether White opts for the simple 14 Bd4 or has basically reached a main line Yugoslav Attack 9 0-0-0 d5 variation but with White's bishop on e2. That's because White expended two moves on Bc4-e2 but Black three moves on N... d7-b6xd5. White would rather have Be2 included for free than not but whether White opts for the simple 14 Bd4 or 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Qxd5 Qc7 16.Qxa8 *(16.Qc5!? Qb7 17.c3±)* 16...Bf5 it's not perhaps a massive difference.]

[12.Kb1 Rb8 13.b3 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Bf5 16.Bxg7 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Kxg7 18.Ng3 Be6 19.Rhd1 Rbc8 20.f4 Rc7 21.Bf3 Nc8 22.Ne4 h6 23.Kb2 b6 24.c4 f5 25.Nc3 Nd6 26.Re2 Bf7 Novik (2680)-Mendez Fortes,E (2511) DDR corr 2005 Squeeze Play [CPQC April 1875] 1-0]

12...bxc6 Generally Black would be quite happy with this situation of a bolstered pawn centre but the problem is the position of the knight on b6 as opposed to f6. Not only does it offer no defence where currently placed but also it kind of obstructs Black's own attacking aspirations. Obviously it would love to make a home for itself on c4 but that's not an option yet and meanwhile placed where it is, it prevents the black queen from swinging out to a5 and also it hinders swift b-file action. Generally Black would be quite happy with this situation of a bolstered pawn centre but the problem is the position of the knight on b6 as opposed to f6. Not only does it offer no defence where currently placed but also it kind of obstructs Black's own attacking aspirations. Obviously it would love to make a home for itself on c4 but that's not an option yet and meanwhile placed where it is, it prevents the black queen from swinging out to a5 and also it hinders swift b-file action. **13.h4!** Straight to the point of course with the likes of h4-h5 and Bh6 on the cards to deliver an h-file checkmate should Black not do anything to distract. Straight to the point of course with the likes of h4-h5 and Bh6 on the cards to deliver an h-file checkmate should Black not do anything to distract.

[13.exd5 cxd5 14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.Qxd5 Qc7±]

13...Qd6N Looking to activate her majesty but what follows is far from fun.

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[13...Be6 (developing this piece and effectively unpinning the d-pawn.) is the first obvious port of call. Then (developing this piece and effectively unpinning the d-pawn.) is the first obvious port of call. Then

A) 14.h5 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Nd5 0.83/21 is probably an improved endgame version on the main game for Black. White remains for preference but much like in the main line 9 0-0-0 d5, at least Black gets a strong knight on d5. is probably an improved endgame version on the main game for Black. White remains for preference but much like in the main line 9 0-0-0 d5, at least Black gets a strong knight on d5. *(16...gxh5!=* 0.22/18 keeps the balance. *17.Rxh5 Nd5)*;

B) 14.Bd4 aiming for Bxg7. dxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qxd4 17.Rxd4 should also similarly be a little better for White although Black went on to hold should also similarly be a little better for White although Black went on to hold Rfd8 *(17...Bd5 18.Nc5 e5 19.Rd2 f5 20.b3 e4 21.c4 exf3 22.gxf3 Bf7 23.f4 Rad8 24.Bf3 Rxd2 25.Kxd2 Rd8+ 26.Ke3 Bxc4 27.bxc4 Nxc4+ 28.Kf2 Rd2+ 29.Kg3 Rxa2 30.Rc1 Ne3 31.Bxc6 Ra3 32.Bf3* Illner,A (2360)-Lammens,T (2350) Germany 2009 CBM 219 [Edouard, Romain] 1-0 (60)) 18.Rhd1 Rd5 in Hund,B (2270)-Sadkiewicz,J (2225) Germany 1994;

C) 14.Bh6 Hoping for Bxg7.

C1) 14...Bf6 may offer some reasonable compensation for the exchange if White takes it now but may offer some reasonable compensation for the exchange if White takes it now but 15.h5! Re8 0.95/21 *(* The problem with *15...Rb8* 1.20/21 15...d4 0.42 is that after *16.hxg6!* necessary is *fxg6* when *17.Bxf8 Qxf8* is speculative if possibly worth a go! is speculative if possibly worth a go!*; 15...d4!±* 0.36/22 *16.Bxf8 Qxf8)*;

C2) 14...Bf6± 0.39/22;

C3) 14...Nc4 0.87/21 15.Bxc4± dxc4 16.Qg5 *(* Still of course *16.Bxg7 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Kxg7* is a small endgame advantage for White. Black has the bishop for knight advantage but queenside structural issues. is a small endgame advantage for White. Black has the bishop for knight advantage but queenside structural issues. *)*

C3a) 16...Bf6 17.Qe3 Qa5 1.12/22 *(⌓17...Qc7* 0.79/24 *)* 18.Bxf8± Rxf8 loses any appeal after 19.f4! planning e4-e5.;

C3b) 16...Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Qa5 can at least allow Black the chance to meet 18.h5?! 0.01/25 with *(18.Qg5±* 0.96/22 *Qxg5+ 19.hxg5)* 18...g5! although instead 18 Qg5! still seeks a favourable endgame. although instead 18 Qg5! still seeks a favourable

endgame.]

14.h5 dxe4

[14...Rb8 1.01/22 14...Rd8 0.61 15.Bh6! dxe4 16.hxg6 0.32/22 *(*Better is *16.Bxg7±* 1.14/22 *Qxd2+ 17.Rxd2 Kxg7 18.Nxe4)* 16...Qxd2+!± 17.Bxd2 hxg6 18.Nxe4 Bf5 19.Nc5 is probably on par with the main game. Note Bxb2+?! 1.52/23 *(19...Nd7±* 0.34/19 *20.Nb3 Rfe8)* 20.Kxb2± Na4+ 21.Ka3! Nxc5 22.Bb4 doesn't really work and so White is again a bit better. doesn't really work and so White is again a bit better.]

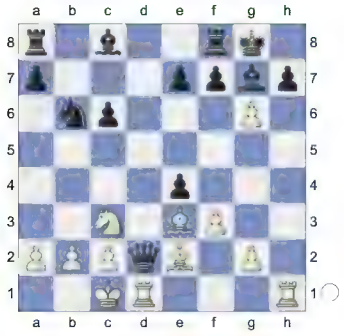
15.hxg6

[But not 15.fxe4 Qxd2+ 16.Bxd2 *(16.Rxd2 Be6=)* 16...Be6=]

[15.Nxe4 with more complications. Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Nd5 17.Bc5]

15...Qxd2+

[15...hxg6? 1.68/23 15...Qxd2+ 0.65 16.Qe1! is too dangerous.]



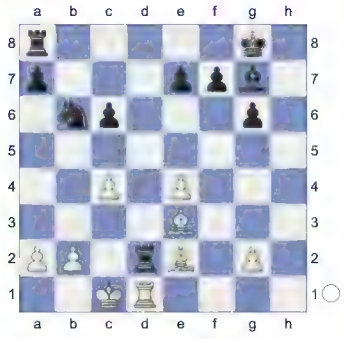
16.Rxd2 The board is on fire. **16...hxg6 17.Nxe4 Bf5 18.c4!** &Bianco is more active.

[Keeping the black knight out of d5. Instead 18.Nc5 Nd5 at least offers Black some action even whilst those queenside isolanis remain. at least offers Black some action even whilst those queenside isolanis remain.]

18...Bxe4

[A tough choice. 18...Na4 19.b3 Nc3 20.Nxc3! Bxc3 21.Rdd1 a5 22.g4 Be6 23.Kc2 Bg7 24.a4! would see Black's queenside pawn weaknesses fixed. Instead Black evens up the stakes in the pawn island department but instead gives White the bishop pair advantage. would see Black's queenside pawn weaknesses fixed. Instead Black evens up the stakes in the pawn island department but instead gives White the bishop pair advantage.]

19.fxe4 c5 is the strong threat. **19...Rfd8 20.Rhd1** Unfortunately it seems to me that all in all this is more of a 'clear' than 'small' advantage to White and so with best play all round, Black should lose. Indeed he does... Unfortunately it seems to me that all in all this is more of a 'clear' than 'small' advantage to White and so with best play all round, Black should lose. Indeed he does... **20...Rxd2**



21.Rxd2 Kf8 1.93/22

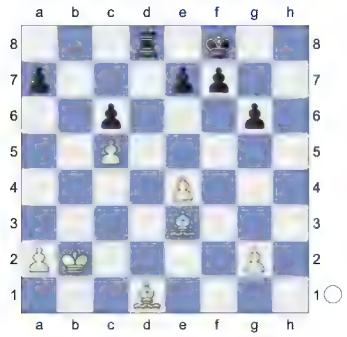
[21...c5± 0.80/23 was necessary.]

22.c5!+- Na4 23.Bd1! Bxb2+ 24.Rxb2

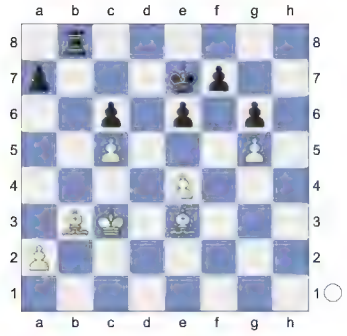
[Not 24.Kb1 Rb8! 25.Bxa4 Bd4+ 26.Kc2 Bxe3∓]

24...Nxb2 25.Kxb2 Black had no other option after 22 c5! but although the Stockfish variant tries to dig in, with just a rook for two bishops, I'd have pretty much written it off. Black had no other option after 22 c5! but although the

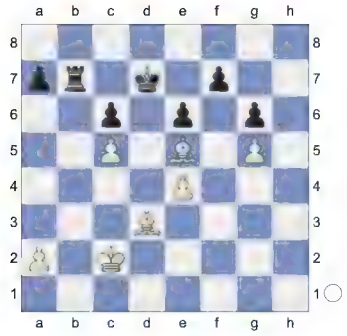
Stockfish variant tries to dig in, with just a rook for two bishops, I'd have pretty much written it off. **25...Rd8** 2.13/22
[25...Rb8+± 1.37/20 26.Kc3 Ke8]



26.Ba4 Rc8 27.Bb3 Ke8 2.14/23
[⌓27...e5 1.66/23 28.Bg5 Kg7]
28.Kc3 Rb8 29.g4 e6 30.g5 Ke7



31.Bd4 Prevents Rh8. **31...Ke8 32.Bc2 Kd7 33.Bd3 Rb7 34.Be5 Ke8 35.Kc2 Kd7**



36.Bg7 a5 37.Kc3 Rb4 38.Bf6 Kc7 39.a3 Rb7 40.Kc4 Kc8

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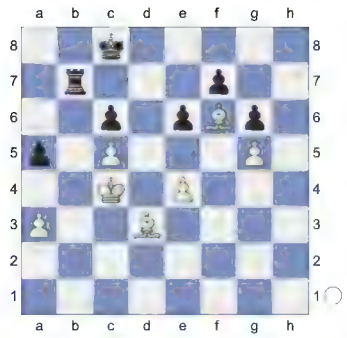
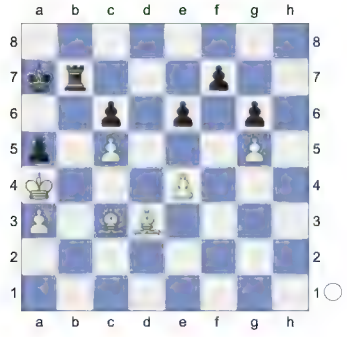
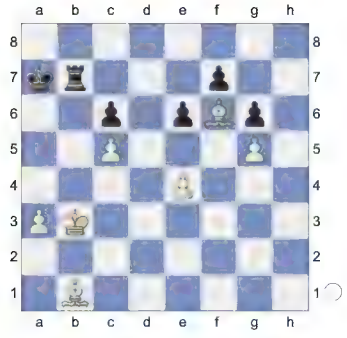


41.Bc3 Ra7 42.Kb3 Rd7 43.Bc2 Rb7+ 44.Ka4 Kb8 45.Bd3
[Less strong is 45.Bxa5 Rb2 46.Bb3 Re2±]
45...Ka7



46.Bxa5 Finally White has bagged a pawn leaving him (it!) well on the way to victory. Finally White has bagged a pawn leaving him (it!) well on the way to victory. Black must now prevent Bb6+.
46...Rb2 47.Bc3 Rg2 3.76/23
[⌓47...Rb8 2.58/31 48.Be5 Rb7]
48.Bf6 Rd2 49.Bb1 Rd7 50.Kb3 Rb7+



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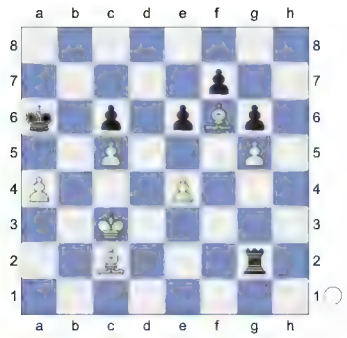
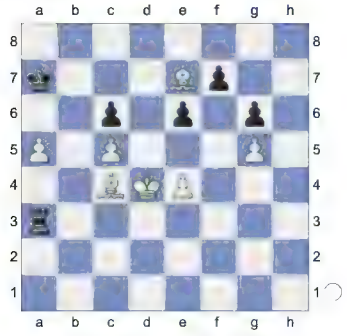
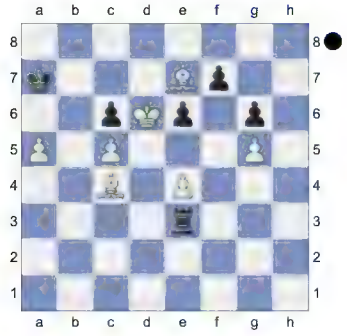


56.Bd3+ Ka7 57.a5 Rg3 58.Kd4 Rh3 59.Be7 White is clearly winning.
59...Rg3 60.Bc4 Ra3



61.Ke5 Re3 7.16/26
[⌓61...Ra4 4.25/23 62.Be2 Kb7 63.a6+ Ka7]
62.Kd6



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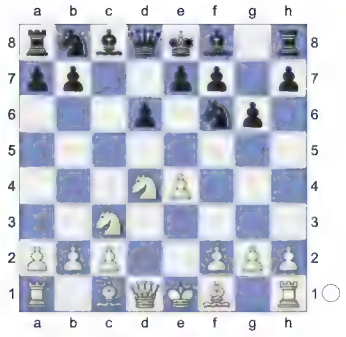
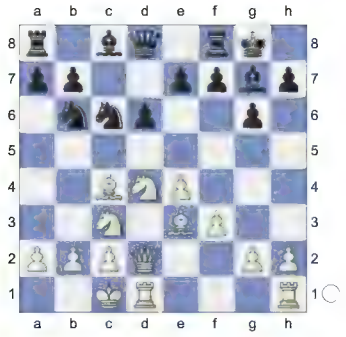
4 **B77**
□ **Malysheva,Polina** **3813**
■ **Elderton,Ernest C** **3801**
Moscow Tal Memorial 4th (33.1) 23.6.20
[Kitty Kat]

B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Nd7 10.0-0-0 Nb6



11.Be2 d5 0.62/20
[11...Bxd4= 0.27/18 12.Bxd4 Nxd4 13.Qxd4 Be6]
[11...Na5 12.b3 Bd7 13.h4 a6 14.f4 e5 15.Nf3 exf4 16.Bd4 Qc7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Rac8 20.Bd3 Qc3 21.Qxc3+ Rxc3 22.Kb2 Rc7 23.c4 b5 24.Nd2 bxc4 25.bxc4 Rfc8 26.Rhf1 Panchanathan, M-King'S Indian,F Havana 2023 CT-2392 [John Watson] 0-1 (41)]
12.Nxc6±

[12.Kb1 Rb8 13.b3 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Bf5 16.Bxg7 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Kxg7 18.Ng3 Be6 19.Rhd1 Rbc8 20.f4 Rc7 21.Bf3 Nc8 22.Ne4 h6 23.Kb2 b6 24.c4 f5 25.Nc3 Nd6 26.Re2 Bf7 Novik (2680)-Mendez Fortes,E (2511) DDR corr 2005 Squeeze Play [CPQC April 1875] 1-0]

12...bxc6 13.h4 Qd6N White is slightly better.

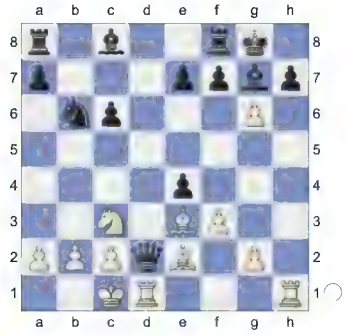
[13...Be6 14.Bd4 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qxd4 17.Rxd4 Bd5 18.Nc5 e5 19.Rd2 f5 20.b3 e4 21.c4 exf3 22.gxf3 Bf7 23.f4 Rad8 24.Bf3 Rxd2 25.Kxd2 Rd8+ 26.Ke3 Bxc4 27.bxc4 Nxc4+ 28.Kf2 Illner,A (2360)-Lammens,T (2350) Germany 2009 CBM 219 [Edouard, Romain] 1-0 (60)]

14.h5 dxe4 15.hxg6

[But not 15.fxe4 Qxd2+ 16.Bxd2 *(16.Rxd2 Be6=)* 16...Be6=]

[15.Nxe4 is more complex. Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Nd5 17.Bc5]

15...Qxd2+



16.Rxd2 The board is on fire. **16...hxg6 17.Nxe4 Bf5 18.c4** Prevents Nd5. &Bianco is more active. **18...Bxe4 19.fxe4** Black must now prevent c5. Black is now going downhill. **19...Rfd8 20.Rhd1 Rxd2**

(Diagram)

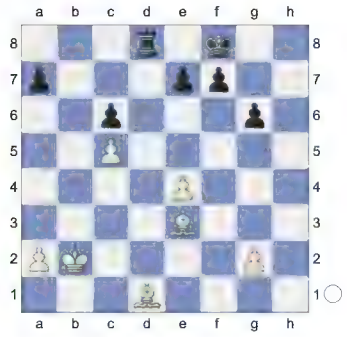
21.Rxd2 aiming for c5. **21...Kf8** 1.76/23

[21...c5± 0.86/23 was necessary.]

22.c5+- Na4 23.Bd1 Bxb2+ 24.Rxb2

[Inferior is 24.Kb1 Rb8! 25.Bxa4 Bd4+ 26.Kc2 Bxe3∓]

24...Nxb2 25.Kxb2 Rd8



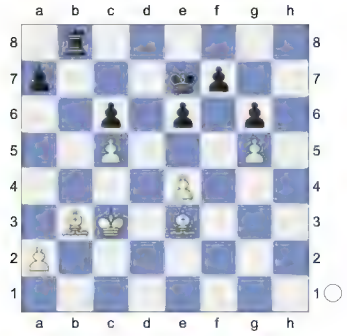
26.Ba4 Rc8 27.Bb3 Ke8 2.28/23

[⌓27...e5 1.81/23 28.Bg5 Kg7]

28.Kc3 Rb8 2.35/24

[28...f6 1.89/21 might work better. 29.e5 Kd7 30.exf6 exf6]

29.g4 e6 30.g5 Ke7



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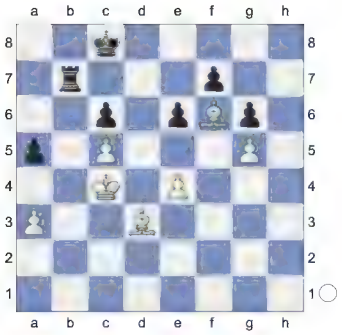

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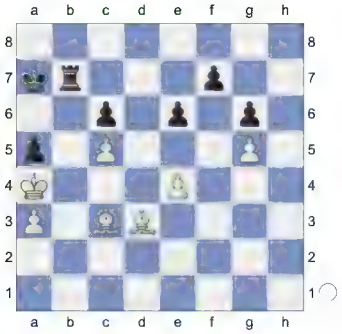
[Weaker is 45.Bxa5 Rb2 46.Bb3 Re2±]

45...Ka7



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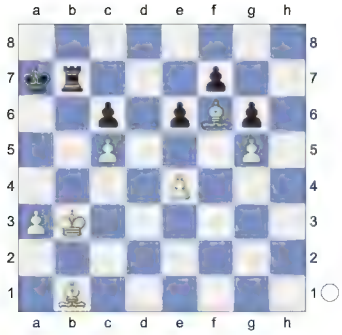

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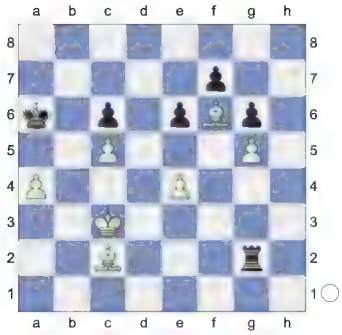
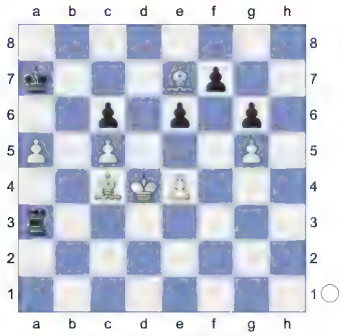


56.Bd3+ Ka7 57.a5 Rg3 58.Kd4 Rh3 59.Be7 Rg3 60.Bc4 Strongly threatening Ke5. **60...Ra3**



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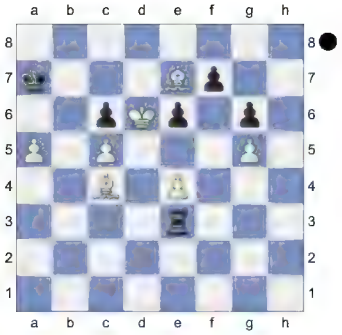

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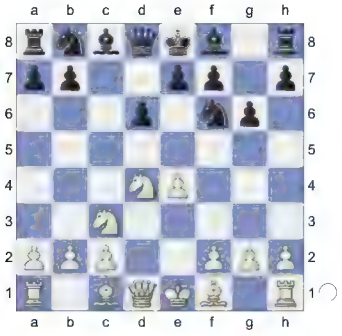
B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Nd7 10.h4 h5

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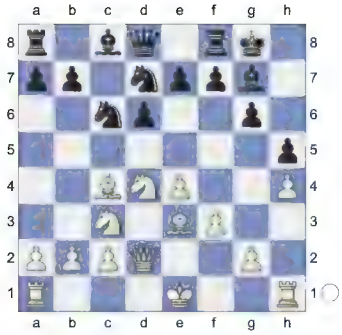
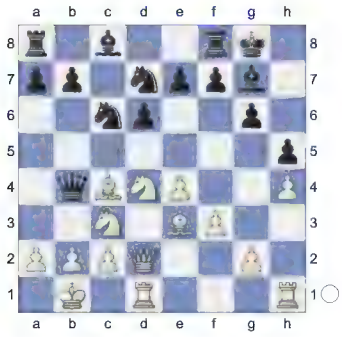
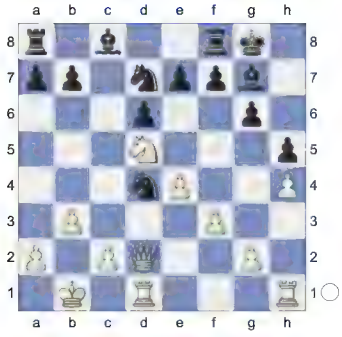


11.0-0-0 0x0.001cd1732636dp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed. **11...Qa5 12.Kb1 Qb4** 1.01/20
[12...Qc5± 0.64/17]



13.Nd5!± Qxc4
[13...Qxd2 14.Rxd2]
14.b3! Qxd4 1.81/22 **15.Bxd4+- Nxd4**



16.Nxe7+ Kh7 17.c4N Against Nb5
[17.Nd5 Nc5 18.c3 Nb5 19.a4 a6 20.axb5 axb5 21.Qg5 Be6 22.Nf6+ Bxf6 23.Qxf6 Bxb3 24.Qxd6 Rfc8 25.Qf6 Ra3 26.g4 Bc4 27.Rh2 Rca8 28.Rb2 R3a6 29.Qd4 Nb3 30.Qe3 hxg4 31.fxg4 Ra1+

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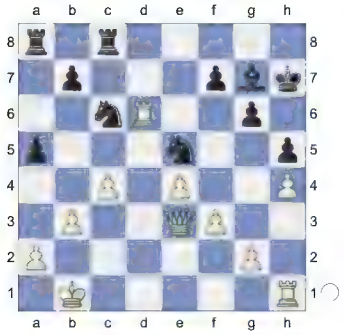
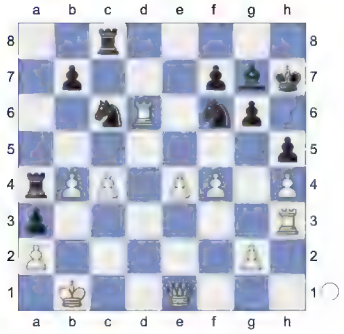
17...a5 18.Qe3 Nc6 19.Nxc8 Rfxc8 20.Rxd6 Nde5



21.f4 1.01/20
[⌓21.a4 1.33/21]
21...Ng4± 22.Qd2 0.67/19
[22.Qb6± 1.04/21]
22...a4± 23.b4 a3 24.Rh3! Nf6 Against Rd7 **25.Qe1 Ra4**



26.Rb3 Black must now prevent e5.
26...Ne8! 27.Rd5 Nd4 1.17/21
[⌓27...Nc7 0.73/21 28.Rd7 Nd4]
28.Qc3!± Nxb3 29.Qxb3 Raa8 1.41/22
[⌓29...Ra6 1.03/21]
30.c5! b6

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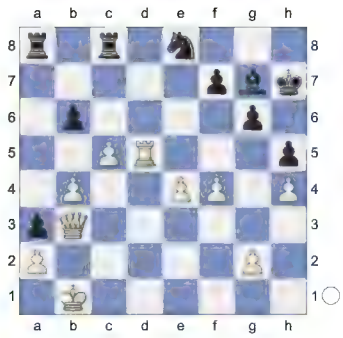
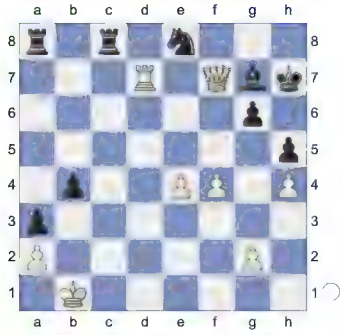
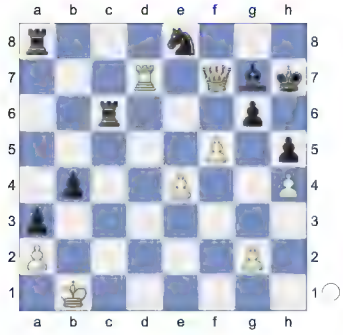


31.Rd7! Strongly threatening f5.
[31.cxb6 Rc3 32.Qd1 Rc4=]
31...bxc5 aiming for ...c4. **32.Qxf7 cxb4** 1.93/22
[32...Ra6± 1.54/23 is a better defense.]



33.f5!+- Chess con chili. **33...Rc6** 1.35/23
[33...Ra6+- 1.99/24]



34.fxg6+!± Rxg6 35.Qd5 b3 2.55/24
[35...Rb8 1.69/21 was necessary. 36.Qf5 *(36.Qxh5+ Rh6±)* 36...Nf6]

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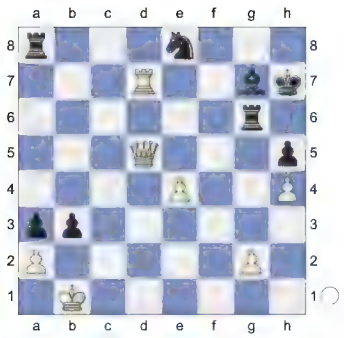
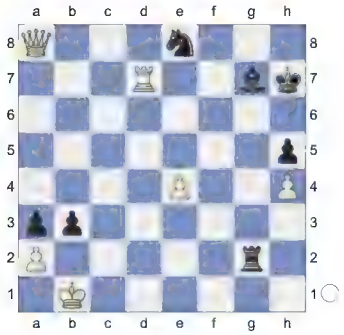


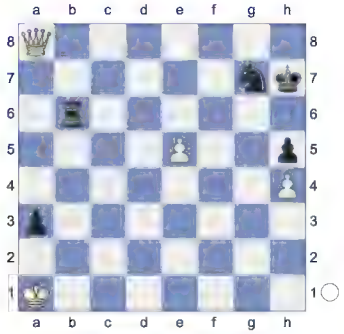
36.Qxa8+- Rxg2



37.Rxg7+! Nxg7 38.axb3 Endgame KQ-KRN

[Weaker is 38.Qxa3 Rg1+ 39.Kb2 Rg2+ 40.Kb1 Rg1+ 41.Kb2 Rg2+ 42.Kc3 *(42.Kb1 Rg1+±)* 42...bxa2±]

38...Rb2+ 39.Ka1 Rxb3 40.e5 And now Qe4+ would win. **40...Rb6**



41.Qe4+

[41.Qxa3 Re6 42.Qe3 Kg8]

41...Kh8 42.Qa8+? 0.01/22

[42.Ka2+- 2.56/26]

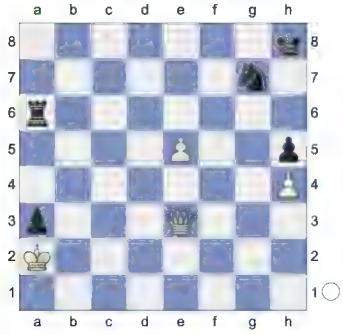
42...Kh7= 43.Qe4+ 0.01/29

[43.Qxa3+- 2.55/26 Hoping for Qd3+. Re6 44.Qe3]

43...Kh8! 44.Ka2 Re6 45.Qe3

[Resist 45.Kxa3 Rb6 46.Ka4 Kg8]

45...Ra6



46.Qd3 Re6 47.Qe3 0.01/25

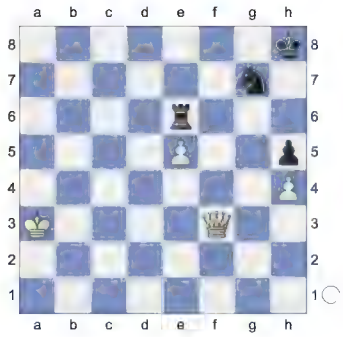
[Don't play 47.Kxa3?! Rxe5 48.Kb3 Rf5+-]

[White should play 47.Qd4+- 2.56/27]

47...Ra6! 48.Qe4 0.01/28 Prevents Rg6.

[48.Qd4+- 2.56/26]

48...Re6! 49.Kxa3 Rb6 50.Qf3 Re6



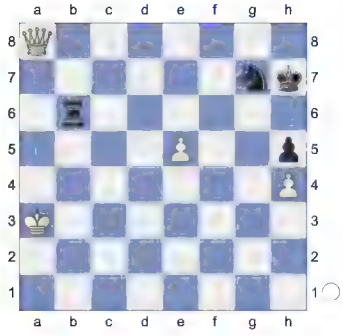
51.Qf4 Rb6 52.Qe4 Kg8 53.Qa8+ Kh7 54.Qe4+? 0.01/60

[54.Qd5+- 2.56/26]

54...Kh8 55.Qa8+ 0.01/20

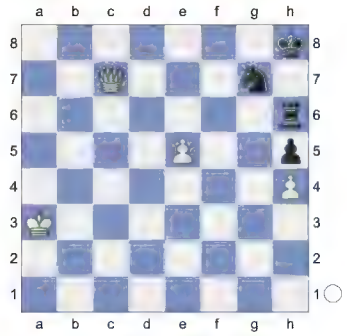
[55.Ka4+- 2.55/26]

55...Kh7

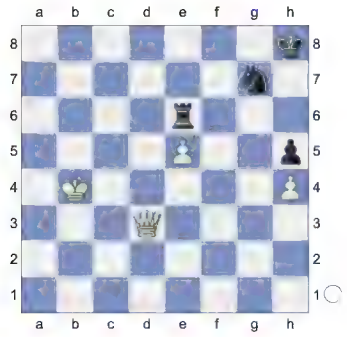


56.Qa7 Re6 57.Qe3 Kh8 58.Qc5 Rh6

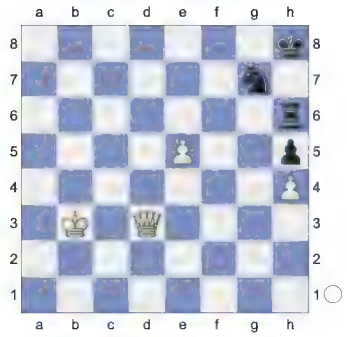
59.Qc8+ Kh7 60.Qc7 Kh8



61.Kb2 Kh7 62.Ka3? -0.01/25
[62.Kb3+- 2.56/26]
62...Kh8! 63.Qd8+ Kh7 64.Kb4 Re6 65.Qd3+ Kh8



66.Qd8+? -0.01/26
[66.Qe4+- 2.55/24]
66...Kh7 67.Qc7 Rh6 68.Kb3 Kh8 69.Qd8+ Kh7 70.Qd3+ Kh8



71.Ka4 Re6 72.Qe3 Rg6 73.Kb3 Rc6 74.Qf4 Kh7 75.Qe4+ Rg6

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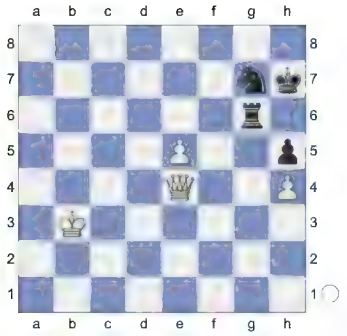
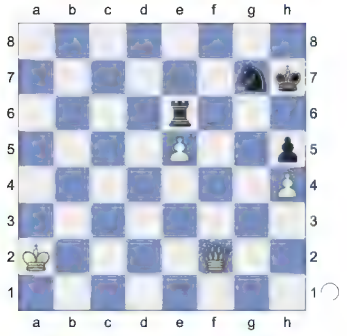
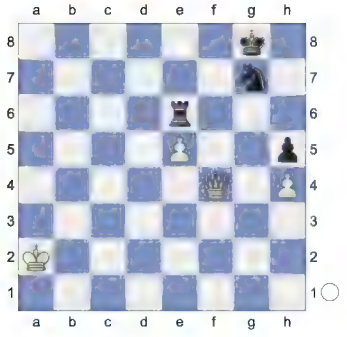


76.Ka2 Kh6 77.Qe3+ Kh7 78.Qd3 Kh6 79.Qe3+? -0.01/22
[79.Kb3+- 2.35/25]
79...Kh7 80.Qf2 Re6



81.Qc2+ Kh8 82.Qe4 Rb6 83.Qa8+ Kh7 84.Qe4+? -0.01/25
[84.Qa7+- 1.81/26 Rb4 85.Qf2]
84...Kg8 1.41/26
[84...Kh8!= -0.01/25 keeps the balance. 85.Ka3 Kg8]
85.Qf4 Re6



86.Qc4 Inhibits Ra6+. **86...Kh8 87.Qc7 Kh7 88.Kb3** 0.91/27
[⌓88.Qb8 1.53/25]
88...Rh6 89.Qc2+
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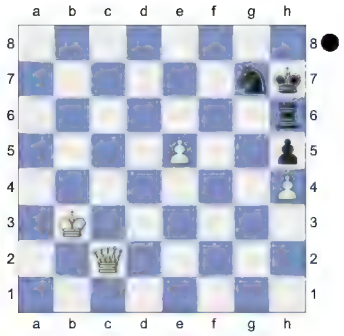

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6 **B77**
□ **Stockfish** **3801**
■ **LCZero v0.25.1-svjio-t60-3972** **3813**
TCEC Season 18 - Superfinal (34.1)
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B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
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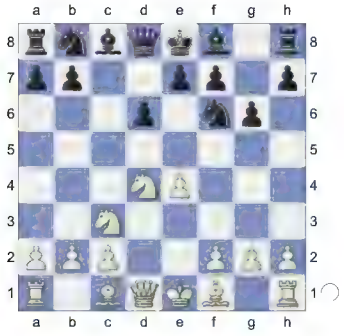

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Nd7 10.h4 0x0.001cd1732636dp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed. **10...h5**

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[11.g4 -0.44/22 11.0-0-0 0.52 which after all one might instinctively want to play in a blitz game! However it transpires that the slightly different positioning of his pieces offers up some other defensive resources especially regards tactics around d4 and f3. All speculation but for example: which after all one might instinctively want to play in a blitz game! However it transpires that the slightly different positioning of his pieces offers up some other defensive resources especially regards tactics around d4 and f3. All speculation but for example: hxg4

A) Also to the point is Also to the point is 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.f4! but. Against Ne5 Nf6! 14.h5 Nxh5 15.0-0-0 allows Black to deflect from those f4-f5, Bh6, Rxh5 like ideas through allows Black to deflect from those f4-f5, Bh6, Rxh5 like ideas through d5! 16.exd5 *(16.f5 Qd6! 17.fxg6 dxc4 18.gxf7+ Rxf7* with the queens coming off isn't a problem for Black who might even table in 17...Ng3!? as well. with the queens coming off isn't a problem for Black who might even table in 17...Ng3!? as well.*)* 16...Rb8!? *(*or *16...Qd6)* with for example 17.dxc6 Qc7! 18.Rxh5?! -1.80/19 *(18.Bd5∓* -0.78/18 *)* 18...gxh5-+ 19.Rh1? -3.09/21 *(19.Qd5∓* -1.57/18 *Be6 20.Qc5)* 19...Qxc6-+ hitting the c4-bishop and thus 20.Bd5 Qg6 leaving Black sitting very pretty.;

B) 12.Nxc6∓ -0.38/20 feels stronger. bxc6 13.f4;

C) 12.h5 -0.82/18 12...Nde5!∓ (hitting the bishop on c4 and threatening the aforementioned ... Nxd4 followed by ...Nxf3) (hitting the bishop on c4 and threatening the aforementioned ...Nxd4 followed by ...Nxf3) 13.Be2 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 gxf3 when 15.Bxe5 dxe5! is under control with 16.Bxf3 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Be6 essentially leaving Black with the bishop pair as well as his sort of extra pawn for the endgame. essentially leaving Black with the bishop pair as well as his sort of extra pawn for the endgame.]

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[Instead 11...Nde5 12.Bb3 (with reference to the other engine tussle this month, it's not unlikely that Be2 might have been seen!) (with reference to the other engine tussle this month, it's not unlikely that Be2 might have been seen!) Na5 13.Qe2 0.27/19 *(13.Bh6± 0.66/18)* 13...Nxb3+ 14.cxb3 Qa5 15.Kb1 Re8 16.Rdg1 Nc6 17.Qd2 -0.08/21 *(17.Qb5 0.27/20* should be considered.*)* 17...f5 0.29/19 *(⌓17...d5 -0.08/21 18.Nxc6 bxc6)* 18.exf5 Bxd4! 19.Bxd4 aiming for g4. Bxf5+ 20.Ka1 Nb4 21.Rc1?? -8.41/21 *(21.a4= -0.01/19)* 21...Nxa2! 0-1 (21) Jobe,T (1690) -Ventimiglia, C (1925) IECC email 2000 had clearly seen White's position slowly decline from one of strength before going out with a bang! Entertaining though! 0-1 (21) Jobe,T (1690) -Ventimiglia,C (1925) IECC email 2000 had clearly seen White's position slowly decline from one of strength before going out with a bang! Entertaining though!]

12.Kb1

[In case anyone was wondering the plan after 12.Nb3 would have been would have been Qb4 13.Be2 Clearly the black queen needs to take care but rather than bailing out early with Clearly the black queen needs to take care but rather than bailing out early with Bxc3 *(*So *13...Nb6!?* 0.70/19 13...Bxc3 0.28 now with a future ...Na4 ready, threatening ... Bxc3 and hence now with a future ... Na4 ready, threatening ...Bxc3 and hence *14.a3 Bxc3 15.axb4 Bxd2+ 16.Bxd2 Be6* being okay.*)* 14.bxc3! *(*Rather than *14.Qxc3?! Qxc3 15.bxc3* where the concession of the Dragon bishop to compromise the opponent's pawn structure is a very reasonable one given that White is very unlikely to get a knight to d5 now or deliver mate! where the concession of the Dragon bishop to compromise the opponent's pawn structure is a very reasonable one given that White is very unlikely to get a knight to d5 now or deliver mate!*)* 14...Qa3+ *(14...Qa4!?)* 15.Kb1 Nb6 which allows White to defend Black's b2-mating threat via which allows White to defend Black's b2-mating threat via 16.Qe1! i.e. Na4?? 2.79/5 *(16...Be6± 0.91/19)* 17.Bc1 he should delay with the bracketed note 13...Nb6!?. he should delay with the bracketed note 13...Nb6!?.]

12...Qb4 0.97/23

[12...Qc5± 0.53/18 is superior.]

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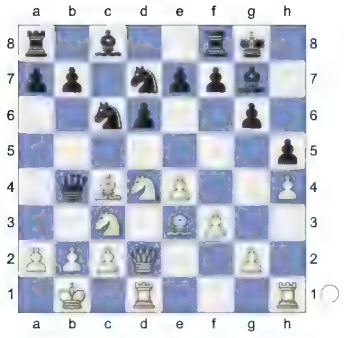


13.Nd5!± How dangerous would this have seemed to any human but it's incredible chess where Black would actually appear to have everything under control. How dangerous would this have seemed to any human but it's incredible chess where Black would actually appear to have everything under control. **13...Qxc4**

[Bearing in mind the potential for intermezzo check on e7, 13...Qxd2?! 14.Rxd2 is a nice advantage for White.]

14.b3!

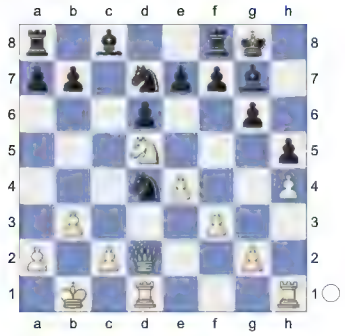
[Substantially better than Substantially better than 14.Nxc6? -1.39/18 14.b3 1.38 bxc6 15.Nxe7+ Kh7 16.b3 Qb5 17.Qxd6 Ne5! which would leave Black with his queen still intact and with a piece for pawns and on the offensive. which would leave Black with his queen still intact and with a piece for pawns and on the offensive.]

14...Qxd4 1.77/22

[No doubt many a human would have preferred 14...Qa6 15.Nc7! Qa3 And now ...Rb8 would win. 16.Nxa8 maybe hoping to glean some sort of compensation for the exchange based on the fact that White has a knight in the corner. Not so the LCZero who waves goodbye to the queen remaining as cool as a cucumber! maybe hoping to glean some sort of compensation for the exchange based on the fact that White has a knight in the corner. Not so the LCZero who waves goodbye to the queen remaining as cool as a cucumber!]

[14...Qa6± 1.30/25 might work better.]

15.Bxd4 Nxd4



Three pieces for a queen is always an interesting imbalance but of course e7 is dropping immediately. Three pieces for a queen is always an interesting imbalance but of course e7 is dropping immediately. **16.Nxe7+ Kh7 17.c4N** 1.14/20 Inhibits Nb5.

[Clearly White was concerned about the possibility of ...Nb5-c3 and so 17.Nd5 had to be a candidate too. Nc5 18.c3 Nb5 19.a4 a6 20.axb5 axb5 21.Qg5 Be6 22.Nf6+ Bxf6 23.Qxf6 Bxb3 24.Qxd6 Rfc8 25.Qf6 Ra3 26.g4 Bc4 27.Rh2 Rca8 28.Rb2 R3a6 29.Qd4 Nb3 30.Qe3 hxg4 31.fxg4 Ra1+ 32.Kc2 Berserk (3476)-Stockfish Dev Da50 (3607) tcec-chess.com INT 2023 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (55)]

[Of course opening up the h-file now would be handy(!) but Of course opening up the h-file now would be handy(!) but 17.g4 0.59/22 17.Nd5 1.79 Nb5 18.c4! *(Upon 18.Nd5* -0.01/21 18.c4 0.46 now,

Nb6! would appeal.*)* 18...Nc3+ 19.Kc2 Nxd1 20.gxh5! Ne5! won't see Black getting mated and the piece count for the queen has gone up! won't see Black getting mated and the piece count for the queen has gone up!]

[Equally White can't afford to be casual and try and swap his way to victory with Equally White can't afford to be casual and try and swap his way to victory with 17.Nxc8? -0.01/22 17.c4 0.88 Rfxc8 18.c4! Against Nb5 Rc6 leaving Black nicely active and with an attractive ...a5-a4 plan suggesting itself. leaving Black nicely active and with an attractive ... a5-a4 plan suggesting itself.]

[⌓17.a4 0.74/21]

17...a5! Yes Black has mating ideas of his own with ...a5-a4 looking to prise open the a-file and at the very least pile pressure on b3 and c4. Yes Black has mating ideas of his own with ...a5-a4 looking to prise open the a-file and at the very least pile pressure on b3 and c4. **18.Qe3!**

[The only good move with 18.g4?! -0.24/21 18.Qe3 1.29 a4 19.gxh5? -2.00/21 *(19.b4!=* -0.27/21 and White is okay.*)* 19...axb3-+ 20.axb3 Ra1+! for example showing how quickly things can turn. Suddenly 21.Kxa1 Nxb3+ 22.Kb1 Nxd2+ 23.Rxd2 gxh5 24.Rxd6 Ne5 would leave Black with two minor pieces for a rook and pawn, clearly on top. would leave Black with two minor pieces for a rook and pawn, clearly on top.]

18...Nc6 19.Nxc8

[As far as trades go, definitely the right minor piece to take. Instead 19.Nxc6 0.11/21 19.Nxc8 1.31 bxc6 20.Rxd6 a4 21.b4 *(*After *21.Rxc6?* -4.51/21 21.b4 0.28 *axb3* White can't retake on b3 either because of a pin or a skewer! White can't retake on b3 either because of a pin or a skewer!*)* 21...Ne5 Prevents g4. 22.Rc1 Be6 would leave White with two pawns to go with his queen for three minor pieces but Black simply too active. would leave White with two pawns to go with his queen for three minor pieces but Black simply too active.]

[Equally Black would get some serious action after 19.Nd5?! a4! 20.b4 Threatens to win with g4. Nde5 Prevents g4. 21.Rc1 f5! Prevents g4.]

19...Rfxc8 20.Rxd6 Your box standard engines are still assessing this position as clearly better for White but it has been a bit of a minefield just to maintain that alleged edge! Your box standard engines are still asessing this position as clearly better for White but it has been a bit of a minefield just to maintain that alleged edge! **20...Nde5**

More to the point Black remains unconcerned that his opponent has an extra pawn on both sides of the board and continues his quest for activity. Certainly losing that d6-pawn is a weight off the shoulders! More to the point Black remains unconcerned that his

opponent has an extra pawn on both sides of the board and continues his quest for activity. Certainly losing that d6-pawn is a weight off the shoulders! **21.f4** ...a4 was a very serious threat with the e5-knight attacking c4 and so White rightly budges it. ...a4 was a very serious threat with the e5-knight attacking c4 and so White rightly budges it. **21...Ng4 22.Qd2** 0.49/21

[Not that relevant but for the record 22.Qb6! a4 Hoping for ...axb3. 23.Qxb7?? -1.63/21 *(23.b4*+- 1.73/20 and life is good for White.) 23...axb3 would suddenly be game over in Black's favour. Instead White correctly plays it tight at the back! would suddenly be game over in Black's favour. Instead White correctly plays it tight at the back!]

[22.Qb6± 1.46/22]

22...a4± 23.b4 a3! But naturally Black continues to be a nuisance, here facilitating the idea of ...Ra4 to target b4. But naturally Black continues to be a nuisance, here facilitating the idea of ... Ra4 to target b4. **24.Rh3!**

[This was the only good way to deal with Black's threat and actually upon This was the only good way to deal with Black's threat and actually upon 24.b5? -1.26/20 24.Rh3 1.02 Na5 suddenly c4 caves.]

24...Nf6

[The point was 24...Ra4 25.Rb3 but Black has other points to hassle, now targeting the e4-pawn. but Black has other points to hassle, now targeting the e4-pawn.]

25.Qe1

[Of course not 25.e5? -1.65/21 25.Qe1 0.92 allowing the fork Ne4]

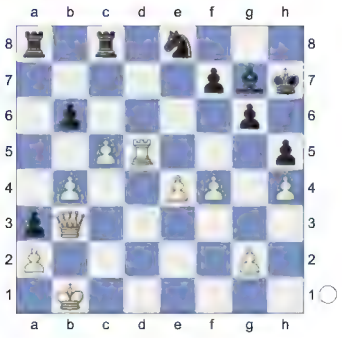
25...Ra4

26.Rb3 Ne8! It really is relentless stuff and a joy to watch. Gaining a tempo on the white rook, Black effectively reactivates the Dragon bishop thus providing support for the other knight to drop in to d4. It really is relentless stuff and a joy to watch. Gaining a tempo on the white rook, Black effectively reactivates the Dragon bishop thus providing support for the other knight to drop in to d4. **27.Rd5 Nd4 28.Qc3** Hardly a comfortable looking move but the only one to keep the upper hand or at least the illusion of! Hardly a comfortable looking move but the only one to keep the upper hand or at least the illusion of!

[Upon 28.Rd3?? -5.52/21 28.Qc3 1. 18 Rxc4 , with b4 hanging White is in deep trouble.]

28...Nxb3 29.Qxb3 Raa8 Now the imbalance is a rook, knight and bishop for a queen and two pawns. Materialistically then things have gone backwards for White but if you argue as many do that a queen is worth 10pts rather than 9, then he is still up in that department and for the time being at least, he has certainly rebuffed Black's threats. Now the imbalance is a rook, knight and bishop for a queen and two pawns. Materialistically then things have gone backwards for White but if you argue as many do that a queen is worth

10pts rather than 9, then he is still up in that department and for the time being at least, he has certainly rebuffed Black's threats. **30.c5 b6!?**



But Black isn't going to sit back for long and more to the point it really does look as though he has everything worked out! But Black isn't going to sit back for long and more to the point it really does look as though he has everything worked out!

31.Rd7!

[The idea was 31.cxb6? 0.01/21 31.Rd7 1.54 Rc3! 32.Qd1 Rc4! The best White can hope for is a repetition given the alternative The best White can hope for is a repetition given the alternative 33.Rb5? -1.90/20 *(33.Qb3!=* -0.01/20 *Rc3 34.Qd1)* 33...Nf6!-+ when Black is clearly better after when Black is clearly better after 34.b7 Rb8 bearing in mind 35.Qd3? -6.54/23 *(35.e5* -1.62/22 *Ne4 36.Qd3)* 35...Nxe4! indirectly guards the rook through the fork on d2. indirectly guards the rook through the fork on d2.]

[31.cxb6?! Rc3 32.Qd1 Rc4=]

31...bxc5 32.Qxf7 cxb4 White has doubled major pieces on the 7th rank but g7 is protected and Black now threatens ...b3. White has doubled major pieces on the 7th rank but g7 is protected and Black now threatens ...b3. **33.f5!**

[By the way, highlighting another threat, note 33.e5? -2.61/23 33.f5 1.52 Ra6 -1.09/21 preparing to double on the c-file and deliver mate on c1. Instead of blunting the Dragon bishop then in what I should mention is another 'only move', White focuses on challenging the pawn shield around and hence exposing more the black king. preparing to double on the c-file and deliver mate on c1. Instead of blunting the Dragon bishop then in what I should mention is another 'only move', White focuses on challenging the pawn shield around and hence exposing more the black king. *(33...Rc6-+* -2.61/23 *34.Rd1 Rac8)*]

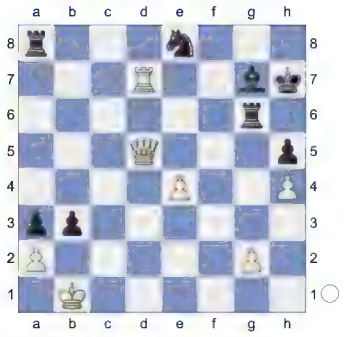
33...Rc6 Tendering the required lateral support for both g6 and f6 whilst facilitating the c-file doubling plan. Tendering the required lateral support for both g6 and f6 whilst facilitating the c-file doubling plan. Strongly threatening ... Rac8. **34.fxg6+** 1.88/22 Really sharp!

[34.Re7± 1.41/25 Rd8 35.fxg6+ Rxg6 36.Rxe8]

34...Rxg6+-

35.Qd5!↑ The white queen is wonderfully placed here of course but it just seems as though Black has everything worked out! The white queen is wonderfully placed here of course but it just seems as though Black has everything worked

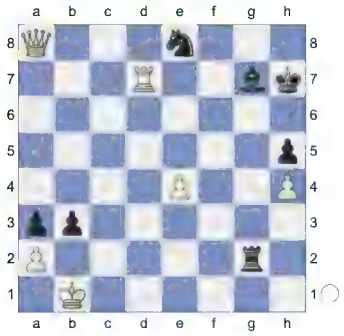
out! Black is under strong pressure.
35...b3! 2.46/27



36.Qxa8

[I have to confess that when I first saw this amazing game I stopped at this point to analyse 36.Rxg7+ Nxg7 37.Qxa8 Rxg2 38.axb3 Rb2+ 39.Ka1 Rxb3 40.e5 in detail to try to find a way for White to win. I couldn't and then noticed that it transposed to the game anyway!]

36...Rxg2



37.Rxg7+! Nxg7 38.axb3 Endgame KQ-KRN

[Less strong is 38.Qxa3 Rg1+ 39.Kb2 Rg2+ 40.Kb1 Rg1+ 41.Kb2 Rg2+ 42.Kc3 *(42.Kb1 Rg1+±)* 42...bxa2±]

38...Rb2+ 39.Ka1 Rxb3 40.e5 in detail to try to find a way for White to win. I couldn't and then noticed that it transposed to the game anyway!

40...Rb6

(Diagram)

And this is the big point. Black doesn't need to keep his a-pawn in the hope of trading it for his e-pawn. And this is the big point. Black doesn't need to keep his a-pawn in the hope of trading it for his e-pawn. **41.Qe4+ Kh8 42.Qa8+?** 0.01/20

[White should play 42.Ka2+- 2.47/26]

42...Kh7= 43.Qe4+ 0.01/26

[Don't take 43.Qxa3 Kh8 44.Qa8+ Kh7+-]

[43.Qd5+- 2.44/24]

43...Kh8! 44.Ka2 Re6 On the face of it ultra passive but it soon dawns that Black has a nice blockade and can simply oscillate his rook along his 3rd rank. On the face of it ultra passive but it soon dawns that Black has a nice blockade and can simply oscillate his rook along his 3rd rank. **45.Qe3**

[45.Kxa3 Rb6 transposes to the game but a reminder that Black's defence doesn't rely on trying to keep the enemy king on the a-file but rather preventing it travelling to the 3rd rank whilst keeping the e-pawn in check.]

45...Ra6

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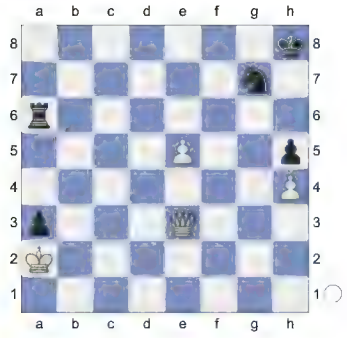
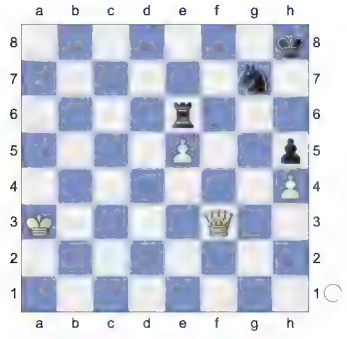


46.Qd3 Re6 47.Qe3 0.01/24
[Don't play 47.Kxa3 Rxe5 48.Kb3 Rf5]
[47.Qe4+- 2.48/25]
47...Ra6! 48.Qe4 0.01/26 Prevents Rg6.
[48.Qe2+- 2.48/26 Rg6 49.Kxa3]
48...Re6 Put simply the king looks after the knight, the knight looks after the h-pawn and both the knight and rook keep the e-pawn under lock and key. Black merely needs to be careful to hold that 3rd rank whilst not casually dropping his rook on a dodgy 3rd rank square. Put simply the king looks after the knight, the knight looks after the h-pawn and both the knight and rook keep the e-pawn under lock and key. Black merely needs to be careful to hold that 3rd rank whilst not casually dropping his rook on a dodgy 3rd rank square. **49.Kxa3 Rb6 50.Qf3 Re6**



51.Qf4 Rb6 52.Qe4 Kg8 53.Qa8+ Kh7 54.Qe4+? -0.01/55
[54.Qg2+- 2.47/27]
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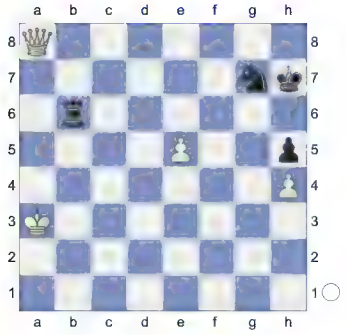
[55.Ka4+- 2.48/27]
55...Kh7



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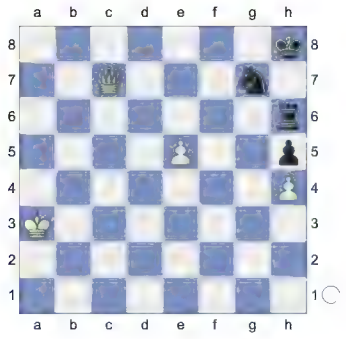
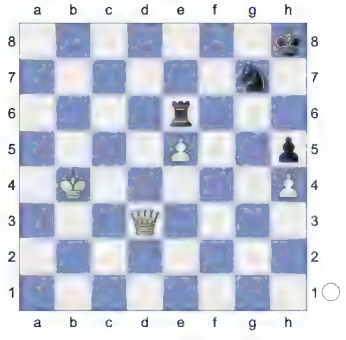


61.Kb2 Kh7 62.Ka3? 0.01/26
[62.Qc2++- 2.47/26 Rg6 63.Kc3]
62...Kh8! 63.Qd8+ Kh7 64.Kb4 Re6 65.Qd3+ Kh8



66.Qd8+? 0.01/24
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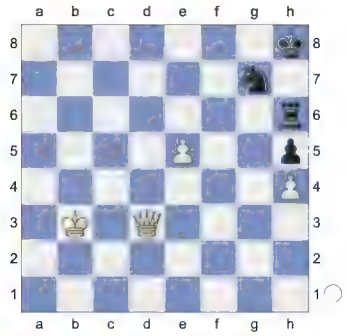

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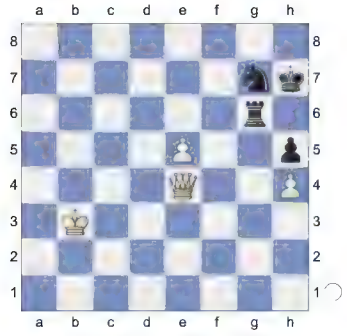
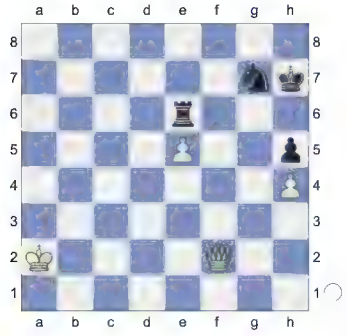


76.Ka2 Kh6 77.Qe3+ Kh7 78.Qd3 Kh6 79.Qe3+? 0.01/22

[79.Qd5+- 2.16/24]

79...Kh7 80.Qf2 Re6



81.Qc2+ Kh8 82.Qe4 Rb6 83.Qa8+ Kh7 84.Qe4+? -0.01/24

[Better is 84.Qf3+- 2.05/23]

84...Kg8? 1.98/21

[84...Kh8!= -0.01/24 and Black has nothing to worry. 85.Ka3 Kg8]

85.Qf4 Re6

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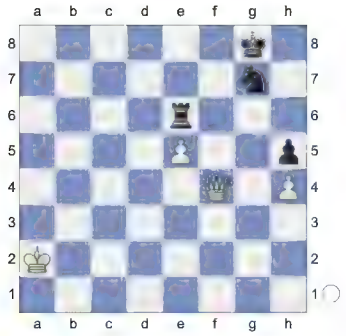


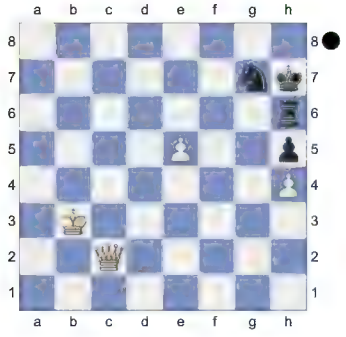
86.Qc4 1.39/23

[86.Kb2+- 1.87/21]

86...Kh8 87.Qc7 Kh7 1.12/24

[Black should try 87...Rh6 1.44/26 88.Kb3 Rg6]

88.Kb3± Rh6 89.Qc2+



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Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/ Black=0.08 (flawless)

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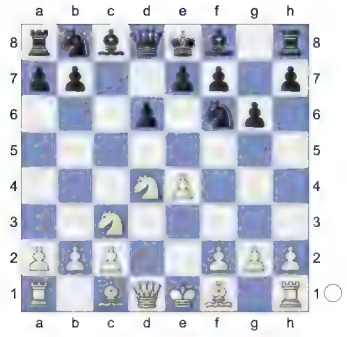
7 **B77**
□ **Komodo** **3794**
■ **Stoofvlees II A14** **3746**
5th TCEC Cup 2020 (2.1) 26.04.2020
[Chris Ward]

B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



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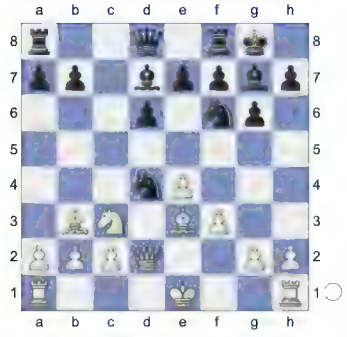

In my opinion a very reasonable response with Black's swift play directly challenging White's idea. In my opinion a very reasonable response with Black's swift play directly challenging White's idea. **11.Bxd4 b5 12.a4**

[The positional approach. Not that long ago 12.0-0-0 a5 13.e5 dxe5 14.Bxe5 Bc6 Strongly threatening ... Qxd2+. 15.Qxd8 Rfxd8 16.Rxd8+ Rxd8 17.Bc7 Bh6+ 18.Kb1 Rd2 occurred in Balloglu,P-Ward,C (yes me!) London League: WG V Hackney 2019 whilst the sharp occurred in Balloglu,P-Ward,C (yes me!) London League: WG V Hackney 2019 whilst the sharp]

[12.h4 a5 was recently revisited in

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12...bxa4

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13.Bxa4

[13.Nxa4 seems wilder. Bxa4 14.Rxa4 Nd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h4]

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[13...Be6 with 14.Bc6 Rc8 15.Bd5 Rb8 16.Bxe6 fxe6 17.Ra2 a5 18.0-0 Rb4 19.Ne2 e5 20.Bc3 Qb6+ 21.Kh1 Nxe4 22.Qd5+ Kh8 23.Bxb4 Nf2+ 24.Rxf2 Qxf2 25.Bxa5 Qxe2 26.Qd3 Qf2 27.Ra1 Qa7 28.Qd1 Qb7 Zambrana,O (2481)-Fier,A (2601) Campinas BRA 2010 [Jones, Gawain] ½-½ (72)]

[13...Bxa4 14.Rxa4 Qb8 15.0-0 Rc8 16.b3 generally just deemed to be a little better for White who has the chance to pressurise Black's isolated a-pawn. generally just deemed to be a little better for White who has the chance to pressurise Black's isolated a-pawn.]

[13...Qb8 14.0-0 Rd8 15.Bb3 Qb7 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Bxd5 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Rac8 20.Bb3 Rc5 21.Qd4+ f6 22.Rfd1 Rdc8 23.h3 R8c7 24.Ra3 Bb5 25.Kg1 Bc4 26.Bxc4 Rxc4 27.Qxb6 axb6 28.c3 Griffith,K (2363)-Yanayt,E (1958) New York 2023 1-0 (45)]

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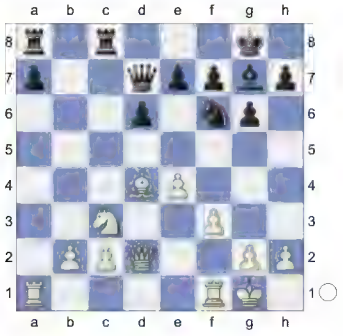
14.Bxd7 Qxd7 15.0-0 Rfc8



16.h3

[A slightly odd looking move, the purpose of which is demonstrated well in the more direct variation A slightly odd looking move, the purpose of which is demonstrated well in the more direct variation 16.Ra2 a6 17.Rfa1 Qb7 18.Qd3 d5! 19.Rxa6 *(19.e5! Nd7* being not dissimilar to

the main game) 19...dxe4 20.fxe4 Ng4! 21.Rxa8! Rxa8 22.Rxa8+ Qxa8 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 Black has compensation because of the difficulty White has in dealing with the ...Qa7+ and ...Qa1+ threats. [%draw arrow,a8,a7] [%draw arrow,a7,g1] Black has compensation because of the difficulty White has in dealing with the ...Qa7+ and ...Qa1+ threats.]

16...Qc6

[16...Qb7!?]

17.Ra4 Over-protecting the bishop but getting ready to focus on the black isolani. Over-protecting the bishop but getting ready to focus on the black isolani.

[Of course not 17.Bxa7 Qb7 18.Qe3 Qxb2∓]

17...d5!? Deflecting the attention from a7 and giving White something to think about. Deflecting the attention from a7 and giving White something to think about. **18.e5**

[Upon 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Bxg7 Nxc3 Black is okay tactically after Black is okay tactically after 20.Rh4 Ne2+! *(Not so much after 20...Kxg7?* 1.93/22 20...Ne2+ -0.01 *21.Qh6+ Kf6 22.Rf4+ Ke6* White must now prevent ...Ne2+. *23.Re1+ Kd7 24.bxc3)*

A) With the black knight in a more annoying position, With the black knight in a more annoying position, 21.Kf2? -0.46/21 21.Qxe2 -0.01 Kxg7 22.Qh6+ -1.14/5 *(* Better is *22.c4∓* -0.55/19 *)* 22...Kf6 is simply good for Black. is simply good for Black.;

B) 21.Qxe2 Kxg7 With the pawn count even, so is the position.]

18...Nd7 19.f4 a6 20.Rfa1 e6

(Diagram)

Particularly with how he has placed his rooks, we are very unlikely to see White engage in a kingside offensive now and so it's basically a question of whether he can pick off Black's a-pawn whilst trying to guard his own queenside. Particularly with how he has placed his rooks, we are very unlikely to see White engage in a kingside offensive now and so it's basically a question of whether he can pick off Black's a-pawn whilst trying to guard his own queenside. **21.Kh2 Bf8** It seems to me though that Black is always going to be able to drum up counterplay and that statement is justified in the game continuation. It seems to me though that Black is always going to be able to drum up counterplay and that staement is justified in the game continuation. It seems to me though that Black is always going to be able to drum up counterplay and that statement is justified in the game continuation. **22.Qe2 Nc5 23.R4a2**

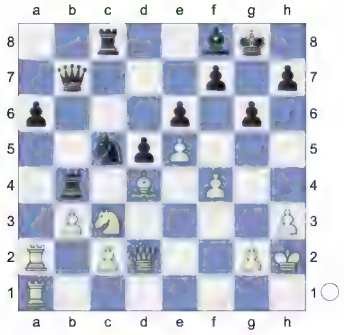
[A good example of that aforementioned counterplay is demonstrated in the variation A good example of that aforementioned counterplay is demonstrated in the variation 23.Bxc5 -0.82/23 23.Ra5 0.01 Qxc5 24.Rxa6 Rab8! 25.R1a2 Qc4 26.Qxc4 Rxc4 27.Kg3 -1.39/22 *(*or *27.g3?* -3.71/22

27.R6a4 -0.92 *d4* i.e. *28.R6a4 dxc3! 29.Rxc4 cxb2;* White should try *27.R6a4* -0.95/23 *Bb4 28.g3*) 27...Bh6 Essentially Black will always have f4/ e5 and b2/c2 to scrutinise. Essentially Black will always have f4/ e5 and b2/c2 to scrutinise.]

23...Rab8 24.b3 Rb4 25.Qd2

[Too much is loose in White's camp after Too much is loose in White's camp after 25.Bxc5 -1.22/22 25.Qd2 -0.01 Qxc5 Well c3 and f4 at least!]

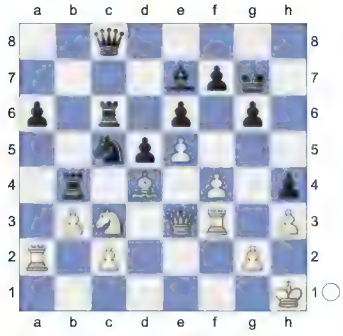
25...Qb7



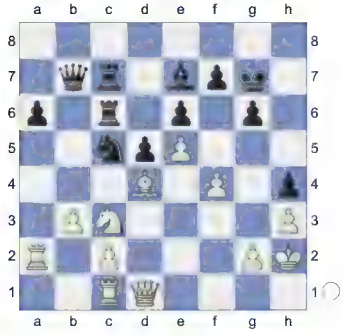
With no clear ways for either side to progress without weakening their position, it's very possible here that we would have seen some humans agreeing draws right now. However we are talking computers here and with equal chances, we get to see a full game played out! With no clear ways for either side to progress without weakening their position, it's very possible here that we would have seen some humans agreeing draws right now. However we are talking computers here and with equal chances, we get to see a full game played out! **26.Qd1 Rc6 27.Qg1** Not that every move is going to be a thriller! Not that every move is going to be a thriller! **27...h5!?** More useful than a concession. **28.Qe3 Qc7 29.Qd2 Kg7 30.Kh1 Be7**

(Diagram)

31.Rf1 Qb6 32.Qe3 Against Ne4 **32...Qb8 33.Rf3 Qd8 34.Rf1 Qc8 35.Rf3 h4!**



Grasping that g3-square. **36.Rf1 Kh7 37.Qd2** Still about equal then with maybe a miniscule preference for Black. Still about equal then with maybe a miniscule preference for Black. **37...Rb7 38.Kh2 Rbc7 39.Rc1 Qb7 40.Qd1 Kg7**



41.Rca1 -0.53/19

[41.Qf3= -0.13/19 is more appropriate.]

(Diagram)

41...Qb4 -0.15/21 Suddenly Black has a tactical threat in the form of ... Nxb3. Suddenly Black has a tactical threat in the form of ... Nxb3.

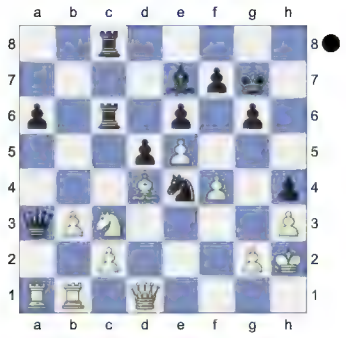
[41...Nxb3!∓ -0.53/19 42.Rb1 *(42.cxb3 Rxc3 43.Bxc3 Rxc3=; 42.Rb2 Rxc3)* 42...Rxc3]

42.Rb2= My last note explaining this move. **42...Rc8 43.Na2** wouldn't have been an unexpected sequence, soon seeing the game terminated but nope with this unhuman move, play continues! wouldn't have been an unexpected sequence, soon seeing the game terminated but nope with this inhuman move, play continues! wouldn't have been an unexpected sequence, soon seeing the game terminated but nope with this inhuman move, play continues! **43...Qa3**

[So 43...Qb7 44.Nc3 Qb4 45.Na2 wouldn't have been an unexpected sequence, soon seeing the game terminated but nope with this inhuman move, play continues!]

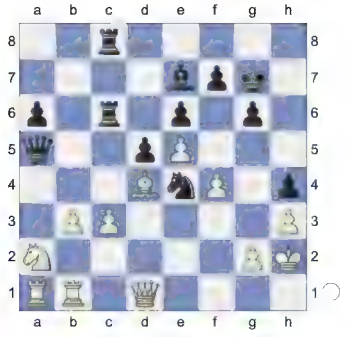
44.Rbb1! **Ne4** This move was necessary or else the black queen was in danger of being embarrassed. It remains in jeopardy but Black has everything in hand. This move was necessary or else the black queen was in danger of being embarressed. It remains in jeopardy but Black has everything in hand. This move was necessary or else the black queen was in danger of being embarrassed. It remains in jeopardy but Black has everything in hand. **45.c3**

[45.Nc3?

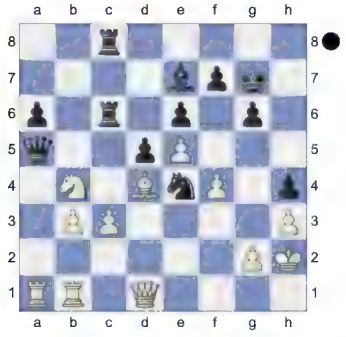


Nxc3! 46.Bxc3 Qc5∓]

45...Qa5



46.Nb4!

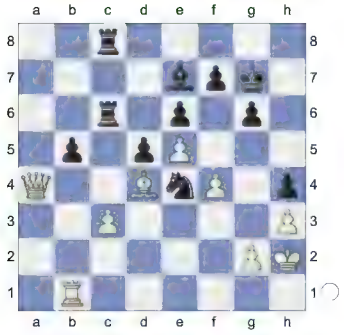


Bxb4 Through this yes Black is giving up his queen but after Through this; yes Black is giving up his queen but after Through this yes Black is giving up his queen but after **47.Rxa5 Bxa5 48.b4!⇄** White puts up resistance **48...Bd8** has a rook and a very well placed knight for it as well as obvious pressure

against c3. has a rook and a very well placed knight for it as well as obvious pressure against c3. **49.Qa4 Be7**

[Also possible was 49...Nxc3 50.Bxc3 Rxc3 51.Qxa6 b5 is the strong threat. R8c4 52.b5 Threatens to win with b6. Rxf4 Hoping for ...Bc7. 53.b6 Against Bc7 Rf2! 54.b7 Rg3! Black has a perpetual should White promote whilst 55.Rg1? -1.60/29 *(55.b8Q= 0.01/25 Rgxg2+ 56.Kh1 Rh2+ 57.Kg1 Rhg2+ 58.Kh1 Rh2+ 59.Kg1 Rhg2+ 60.Kh1)* 55...Rb3! would leave Black winning. would leave Black winning.]

50.b5 axb5



51.Rxb5

[Reject 51.Qxb5 Nxc3 52.Bxc3 Rxc3∓]

51...R6c7

[51...Nxc3 52.Bxc3 Rxc3 would also be fine but it's as though Black is playing for more!]

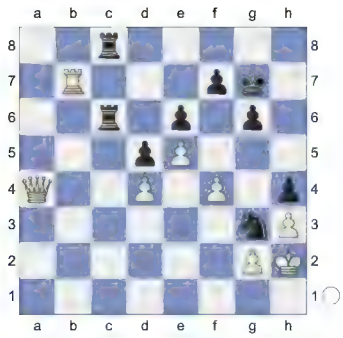
52.Qa6 Bc5 53.Rb7

[Correctly avoiding 53.Bxc5?! -1.71/26 53.Rb7 -0.20 Nxc5 -0.85/25 *(53...Rxc5-+ -1.71/26 is more deadly. 54.Rb7 R5c7)* 54.Qa1∓ Ne4]

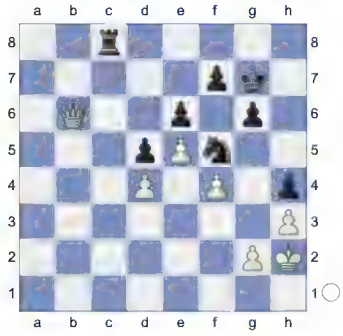
53...Rc6 54.Qa4 Bxd4 55.cxd4

[Upon 55.Qxd4?! -2.19/23 55.cxd4 -0.42 R6c7! White won't get any action whilst c3 will fall. White won't get any action whilst c3 will fall.]

55...Ng3



Suddenly there is a serious threat in ... Rc1-h1 mate. Suddenly there is a serious threat in ...Rc1-h1 mate. **56.Qa7** But of course in attacking f7 White now has a serious threat of 'his' own. But of course in attacking f7 White now has a serious threat of 'his' own. **56...Rf8** (-> ...Rc1) **57.Rc7 Rxc7 58.Qxc7** Endgame KQ-KRN **58...Nf5** Black's position is totally impregnable but still the game doesn't end as one might expect. Black's position is totally impregnable but still the game doesn't end as one might expect. **59.Qc5 Ra8 60.Qb6 Rc8**



61.Qb2! Ng3 62.Qb1 Rc3 63.Qd1 Nf5 64.Qb1 Nxd4 65.Qb4 Rc4

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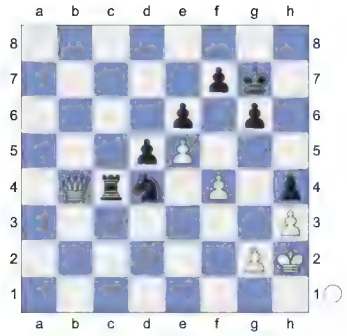
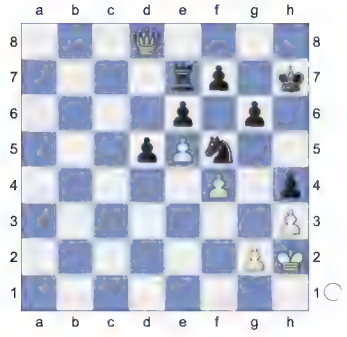
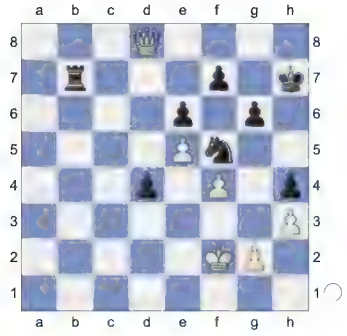


66.Qe7 Nf5 67.Qf6+ Kg8 68.Qd8+ Kh7 Avoiding the perpetual. You have to admire this! Avoiding the perpetual. You have to admire this! **69.Qf6! Rc7 70.Qd8!** Inhibits Rd7. **70...Re7**



71.Kh1 Kg7 72.Kg1 Rb7 73.Kf2 d4 74.Qf6+ Kg8 75.Qd8+ Kh7



And again but Black is risking little. **76.Ke1 Rb2 77.Qf6 Nh6 78.Qxh4 Rxg2 79.Qd8 Rh2 80.Qh4 d3**

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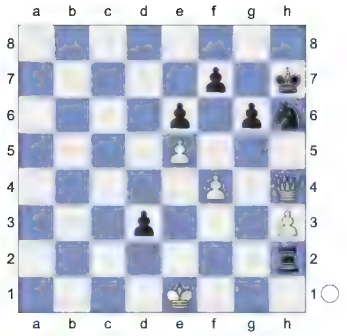
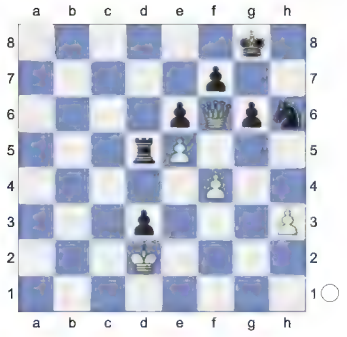
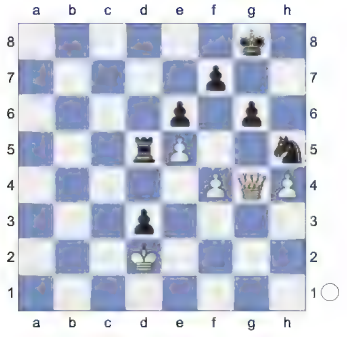


81.Kd1 Ra2 82.Kc1 Rc2+ 83.Kd1 Rc5 84.Kd2 Rd5 85.Qf6 Kg8



86.Qh4 Nf5 87.Qg4 -0.63/24
[87.Qf2 -0.32/27 should be considered.]
87...Rd4∓ 88.h4 -0.35/28
[88.Qf3 -0.66/25 feels stronger.]
88...Ng7 89.Kc3 Rd5 aiming for ...d2. **90.Kd2** The position is equal. **90...Nh5**



91.f5! I'm guessing the phrase 'conserving energy' doesn't really come into play! I'm guessing the phrase 'conserving energy' doesn't really come into play! **91...exf5 92.Qb4 Ng3 93.Qb7 Nf1+ 94.Kc3 Ne3 95.Kd2 f4**

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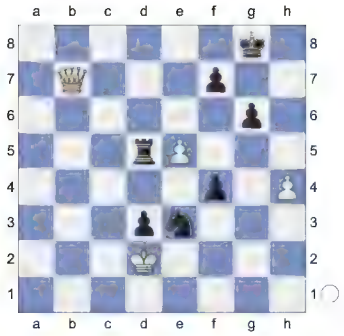
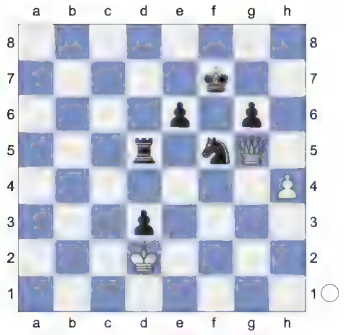
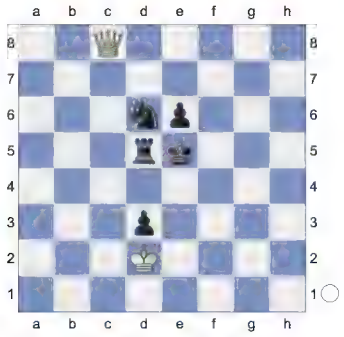


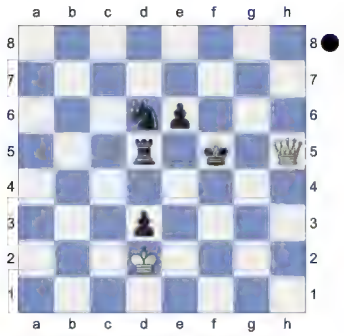
96.e6! fxe6 97.Qb8+ Kg7 98.Qc7+ Kf6 99.Qxf4+ Nf5 100.Qg5+ Kf7



101.h5! gxh5 102.Qxh5+ Ke7 103.Qh7+ Kd6 104.Qb7 Ke5 105.Qc8 Nd6



106.Qh8+ Kf5 And now ...Ne4+ would win. **107.Qh5+**



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8 **B78**
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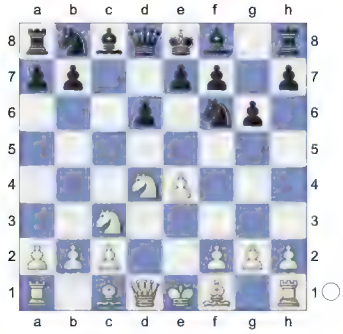
B78: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 0-0-0 Rc8
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Bc4 Nc6 9.Qd2 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rc8
[10...Rb8 11.Bb3 Na5 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b5 14.g4 Nxb3+ 15.Nxb3 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Rb6 18.Rhe1 e5 19.dxe6 fxe6 20.Re3 Rf7 21.Nd2 d5 22.Nb3 Qc7 23.Kb1 Rb8 24.Rde1 Rc8 25.R1e2 Dominguez Perez,L (2717)-Carlsen,M (2776) Linares 2009 CBM 129 [Rogozenco,Dorian] 0-1 (54)]

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11.Nxc6N
[11.Bb3 Ne5 *(11...a6 12.h4 h5 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Bh6 b5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5 Rh8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Qg2 gxf3 20.Qxf3 Bd7 21.Rxh8 Qxh8 22.Rh1 Qd8 23.Qf4 e6 24.Qxd6 Rc6 25.Qf4 Nh5 26.Qd2* Parnes,S (1378)-Doolin,B Cardiff 2022 1-0*)* 12.h4 a5 13.a4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.Ndb5 h5 *(16...Bxb5 17.Nxb5 h5 18.Kb1 Nd7 19.g4* B 78/07 *)* 17.Bd4 e5 18.Be3 d5 19.Nxd5 Bxb5 20.axb5 Nxd5 21.Qxd5 Qc7 22.Qd6 B 78/07]
11...Bxc6 12.Bb3 a5 13.a4 Inhibits b5.
13...Qe8 14.Qe2 Inhibits b5. White has an edge.
[14.Bb6 seems wilder. Nd7 15.Bd4 Nc5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.h4]
14...Nd7 15.h4
[15.Bd4 looks sharper. Nc5 16.h4 Nxb3+ 17.cxb3 b5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.axb5 Bxb5 20.Qe3]
15...Nc5
[15...Bxc3 keeps more tension. 16.bxc3 Nf6 17.Bh6 Bxa4 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.e5 dxe5 20.Qxe5 Bxb3 21.cxb3 a4]

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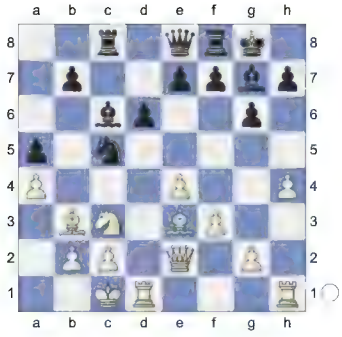
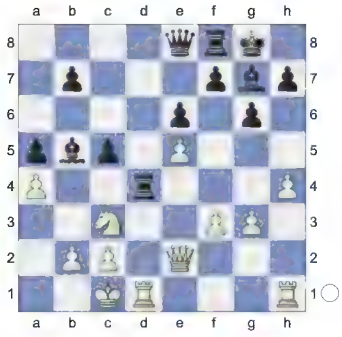
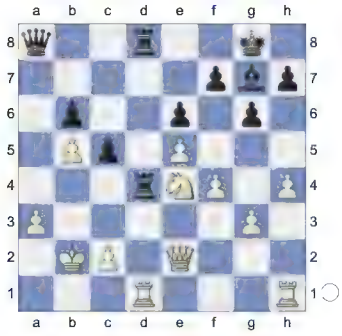


16.Bxc5 dxc5 17.e5 e6 18.Bc4 Rd8 19.Bb5 Rd4 20.g3 Bxb5



21.axb5 a4 22.f4 -0.01/20
[⌓22.Rxd4 0.30/21 cxd4 23.Nxa4]
22...a3 23.bxa3 Qa8! 24.Kb2 Rfd8 25.Ne4! b6



a i m i n g f o r . . . R x d 1 . **26.Rxd4** The position is equal. **26...Rxd4 27.Re1 Qa5 28.Nf6+ Bxf6 29.exf6 h5 30.Rd1**
[Reject 30.c3 Ra4 31.Ra1 c4∓]
30...Rxd1

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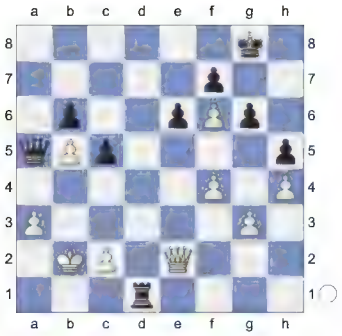
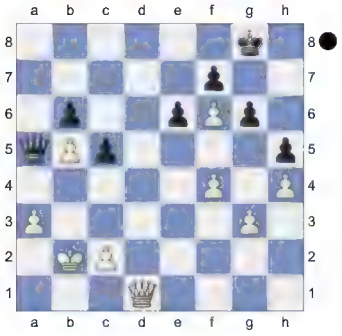
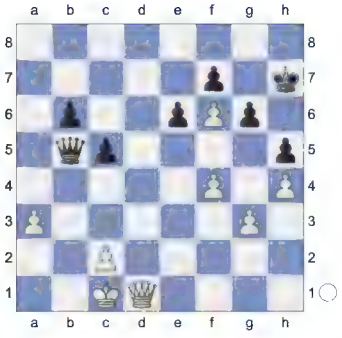


31.Qxd1



Qd8+ would kill now. **31...Qxb5+**
32.Kc1 White threatens Qd8+ and mate.
32...Kh7



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9 **B77**
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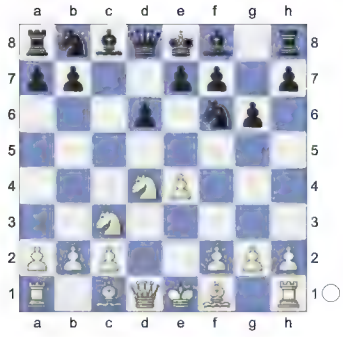
■ **Stockfish Dev** **3673**
TCEC 25 Superfinal 2023 (37.1) 12.10.23
[Kitty Kat]

B78: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 0-0-0 Rc8
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.h4 Rc8

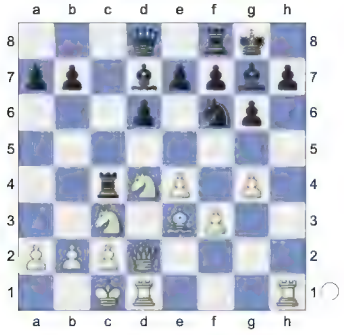
11.Bb3 Ne5 12.0-0-0
[12.h5 Nxh5 13.Bh6 *(13.g4 Ng3 14.Rg1 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Nxf3+ 16.Nxf3 Nxe4 17.Qd3 Bxc3+ 18.Ke2 Bxa1 19.Qxe4 Bc6 20.Qf4 Bg7 21.Ng5 e6 22.Nxf7 Qd7 23.Nh6+ Kh8 24.Qb4 d5* Yugoslav Attack-9 Bc4 irregular ChessPub Guide 2024 Dragons [Chris Ward]*)* 13...Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qa5 16.Qd2 Rc8 17.Kf2 Rxc3 18.Rxh5 gxh5 19.Qg5+ Kf8 20.Qh6+ Ke8 21.Qxh7

Kd8 22.Rd1 Qc5 23.Kg3 Ng4 24.Qxf7 Ne3 25.Qf8+ Kc7 26.Qxe7 Qe5+ Arakhamia,K (2485)-Spassky,B (2565) Monaco 1994 [Horn,Pe] 0-1]

12...Nc4N

[12...a5 13.a4 *(13.h5 Nxh5 14.g4 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Nf6 16.Bh6 a4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Bxa4 Bxa4 19.Nf5+* 1-0 (19) Draskovic,M-Lazic corr 18/(435)_289601 1974 CI1-130 [RR] *)* 13...Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.h5 *(16.Ndb5 Bxb5 17.Nxb5 h5 18.Kb1 Nd7 19.g4 Nf6 20.Qg2 hxg4 21.h5 gxf3 22.Qxf3 Qd7 23.h6 Bh8 24.h7+ Nxh7 25.Rdg1 Bg7 26.Nd4 Rc5 27.Nf5 Rfc8 28.Bxc5 Nf6 29.Nxg7 Kxg7 30.Qf4* 1-0 (30) Hunter,J-Fletcher,J Wijk aan Zee NED 1974 Lexikon04 [Dragan Solak] *)* 16...Nxh5 17.g4 Nf6 18.Bh6 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Rxc3 20.g5 Re8 21.gxf6 exf6 22.Rdg1 Qc7 23.Kb1 Rc5 24.f4 B 78/07]

13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.h5 Nxh5 15.g4 Nf6

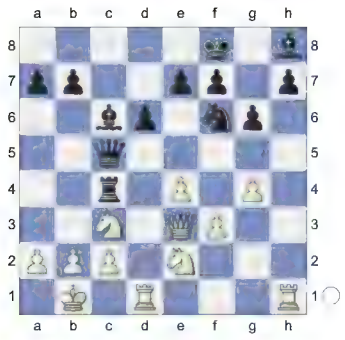


16.Nde2 Qa5 17.Bh6 Bh8 0.44/21

[17...Rfc8= -0.01/20]

18.Bxf8± Kxf8 19.Qe3 Threatening e5! **19...Bc6** White has an edge. **20.Kb1 Qc5**

(Diagram)



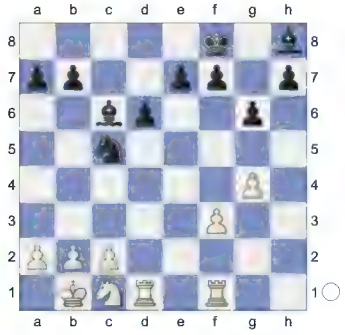
21.Qd3 0.12/20

[21.Qd2± 0.46/21 was preferrable.]

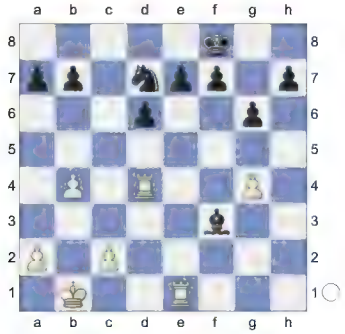
21...Kg8 22.Nc1 Hoping for Nb3. **22...Rxc3 23.Qxc3**

[23.bxc3 Bb5 24.Qd2 Nd7±]

23...Nxe4 24.Qxc5 Nxc5 25.Rhf1 Kf8



26.Ne2 Bb5 27.Rfe1 Bc6 28.Nd4 Bxd4 29.Rxd4 Bxf3 30.b4 Nd7

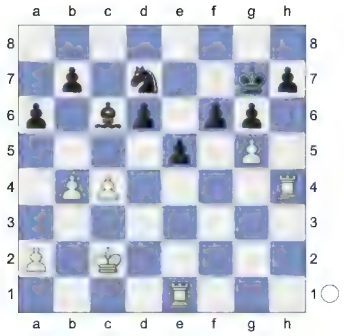


31.g5 f6 32.Rf4 Bc6 33.c4! Threatens to win with b5. **33...a6** Against b5 **34.Kc2** 0.27/21

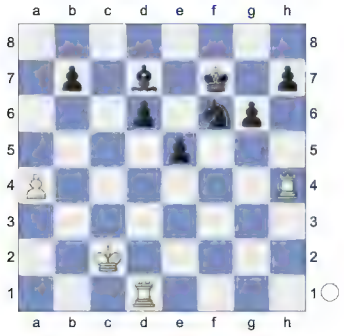
[34.Rh4± 0.83/21]

34...e5!= 35.Rh4 Kg7

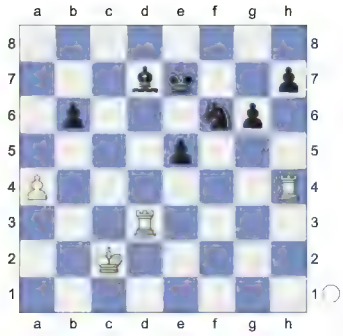
(Diagram)



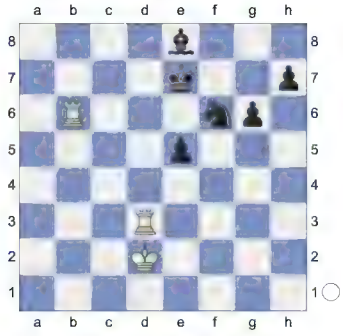
36.gxf6+ Nxf6 37.b5 -0.01/20
[⌓37.c5 0.30/21]
37...axb5 38.cxb5 Bxb5 39.Rd1 a4 is the strong threat. **39...Kf7?** 1.84/22
[39...d5∓ -0.67/20 keeps the upper hand.]
40.a4!+- White has strong compensation.
[40.Rxd6?! Ke7 41.Rd2 *(41.Rb6 Bc6±)* 41...h5±]
40...Bd7 0.97/21
[Less strong is 40...g5 41.Rb4 Ba6 42.Rxd6]
[40...Be8+- 1.90/21]



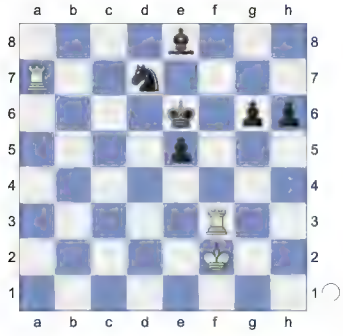
41.Rxd6± aiming for Rxh7+! **41...Ke7 42.Rd3** 0.15/19
[White should play 42.Rb6± 1.18/21 g5 43.Rc4]
42...b6 1.19/23
[Much less strong is 42...Bf5 43.Rb4±]
[42...e4= 0.15/19 remains equal. 43.Ra3 Kd6]



43.Rb4! White stays focused until the end. **43...Bc6 44.Rxb6 Bxa4+ 45.Kd2 Be8**

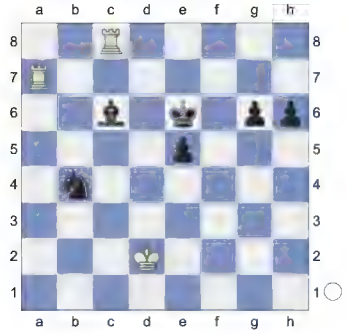


46.Rb7+ Ke6 47.Rf3 Black must now prevent Rb6+. **47...Nd7** Against Rb6+ **48.Ra7** &Bianco is more active. **48...Kd6 49.Ke1 Ke6 50.Kf2 h6**

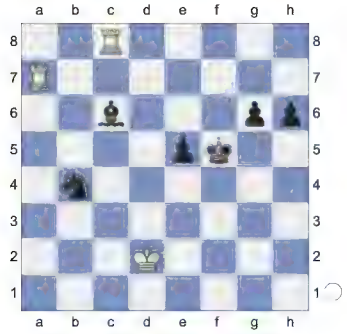


51.Ke1 1.17/21
[⌓51.Rc3 1.53/22]
51...Nc5 52.Rf8 Bb5 2.06/24
[52...Bd7± 1.33/23 53.Ke2 Bb5+ 54.Ke3 Nd7 55.Re8+ Kf6]
53.Rb8+-
[Resist 53.Ra5 Nd7+-]
53...Bc6 2.22/25
[53...Bd7 1.63/22 is a better defense.

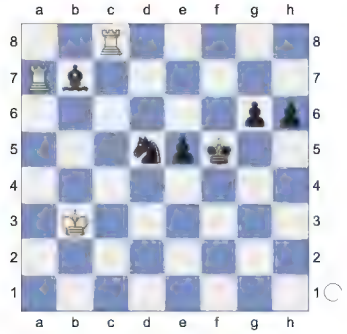
54.Rb6+ Kd5 55.Rxg6 h5]
54.Rc8 Nd3+ 55.Kd2 Nb4



56.Rg8 Kf5? 4.18/21
[56...e4 2.01/21 might work better.
57.Rxg6+ Ke5 58.Rxh6 Kd4
59.Rd6+ Ke5]
57.Rb8 Nd5 58.Rc8 Nb4



59.Kc3! Nd5+ 60.Kb3 Bb7



61.Rxb7 White is clearly winning.
61...Nf4 62.Rf7+ Ke4 63.Rc4+ Kd5 64.Rcxf4 exf4

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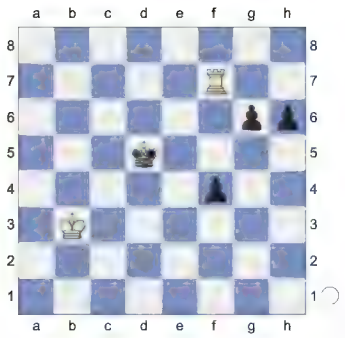


Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.35
1-0

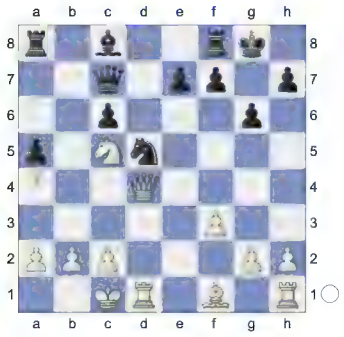
10 **B76**
□ **LCZero 0.31-dag-5350a2e-BT4-6**
■ **Stockfish Dev F7** **3662**
TCEC 26 Balanced Lines (7.1) 01.08.24
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

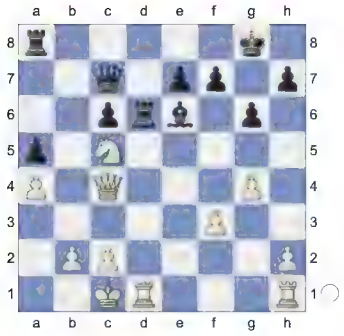
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

(Diagram)

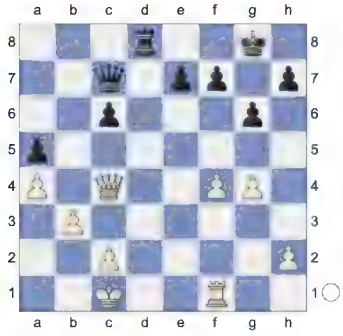
11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Qb6 14.Na4 Qc7 0.45/19
[14...Qa5= 0.13/20]
15.Nc5 -0.01/19
[15.Bc4± 0.45/19]
15...a5!=



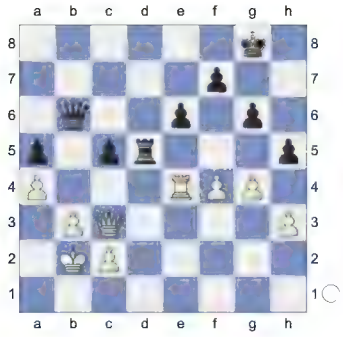
16.a4 -0.15/18
[16.h4 0.20/17 feels stronger.]
16...Rd8 17.g4 Prevents Bf5. **17...Rd6** ...Nb4 is the strong threat. **18.Bc4 Nb6 19.Qe4 Nxc4 20.Qxc4 Be6**



21.Nxe6 Rxe6 22.b3 Re3 23.f4 Rf3 0.42/21
[23...Rb8!= -0.01/19 might be stronger.]
24.Rhf1
[24.f5 is interesting. Rf4 25.Rd7 Qe5 26.Qxc6 Rf8 27.Kb1]
24...Rxf1 25.Rxf1± Endgame KQR-KQR **25...Rd8**

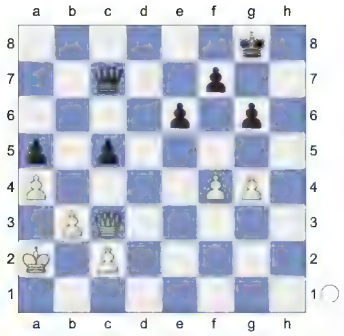


26.Re1 Rd5! Prevents Re5. **27.Re4 h5 28.h3! e6** 0.21/24
[28...Qd6± 0.53/21 29.Kb2 Kf8]
29.Qc3= Qb6 30.Kb2
[30.Rc4 keeps more tension. Qc7 31.f5 exf5 32.Rxc6 Qe5 33.gxh5 Kg7 34.Qxe5+ Rxe5 35.hxg6 fxg6 36.Rd6]
30...c5

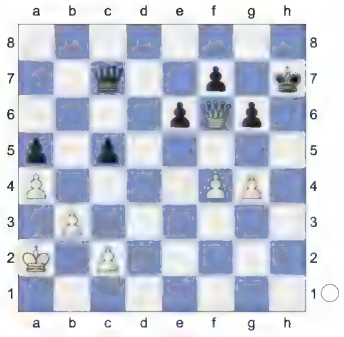


31.Ka2 0.56/22
[31.Rc4= 0.18/21]
31...Qc7 32.Re5 hxg4 33.hxg4 Rxe5 34.Qxe5 KQ-KQ **34...Qb6 35.Qc3 Qc7**

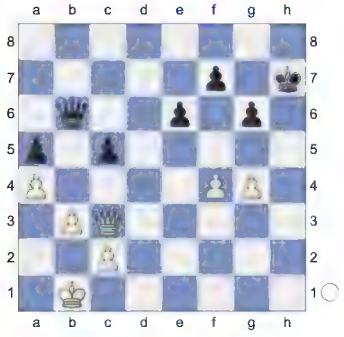
(Diagram)



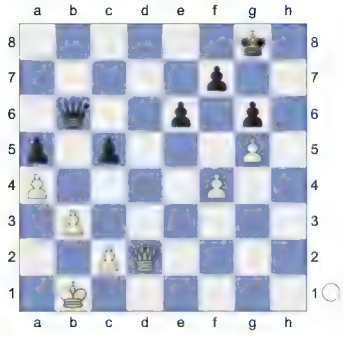
36.Kb2 Qb6 37.Ka3 Kh7 38.Ka2 Qc7 39.Qe5 Qb6 40.Qf6 Qc7



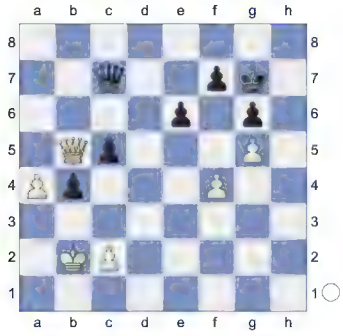
41.Kb2 0.01/24 &Bianco is more active.
[41.f5!± 0.70/23]
41...Kg8 42.Qe5 Qb6 43.Kc1 Kh7 44.Qc3 Kg8 45.Kb1 Kh7 0.47/22
[45...Kf8= 0.16/23 is superior.]



46.Kb2 -0.01/21
[46.Qf6± 0.47/22 Qc7 47.f5]
46...Kg8 47.Ka2 -0.01/21
[47.Kc1± 0.59/22]
47...Kh7 0.36/22
[47...Qc7= -0.01/21]
48.Qd2 0.01/20
[48.Qh3+± 0.36/22 Kg7 49.Kb2]
48...Kg8 0.38/21
[48...c4= 0.01/20 was preferrable.]
49.g5 0.01/26
[49.Qd3± 0.38/21 should be considered.]
49...Qc7 50.Kb1 Qb6

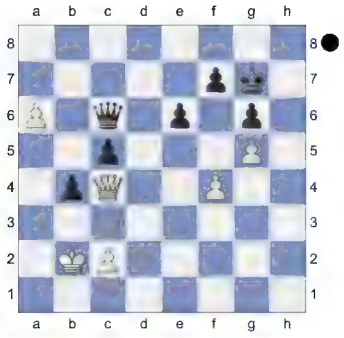


51.Qd7 Kg7 52.Ka2 Kf8
[52...c4!?]
53.Kb2 Kg7 54.Qb5 Qc7 55.b4 0.01/22
[55.Qc4± 0.36/22]
55...axb4
[55...cxb4? 56.Qe5+ Qxe5+ 57.fxe5+-]

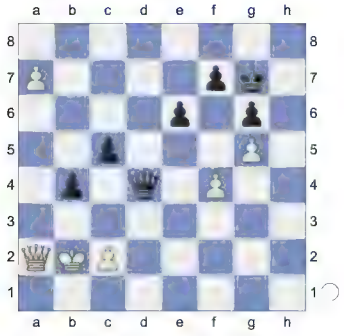


The position is equal. **56.a5 Qd6!**
[Much less strong is 56...Qxf4 57.Qxc5 Qf3 58.Qxb4+-]
[56...e5? 57.Qb6 Qd7 58.Qxc5 exf4 59.a6+- *(59.Qxb4 f3=; 59.Qe5+ Kg8±)*]
57.Qc4 Qc6N 58.a6

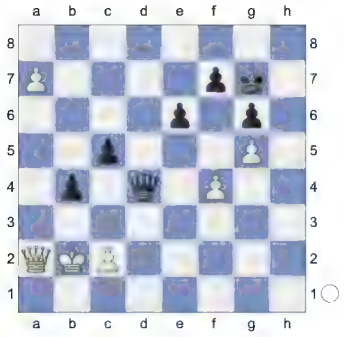
(Diagram)



Strongly threatening a7. **58...Qb6 59.Qa2** And now a7 would win. **59...Qd6 60.a7 Qd4+**



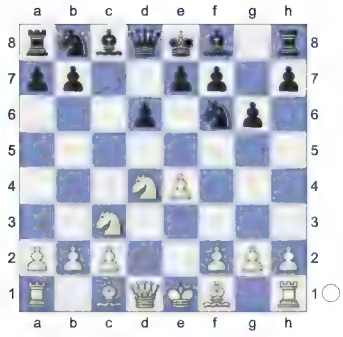
61.Kb3 Qd5+ 62.Kb2 Qd4+



Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.06 (flawless)
½-½

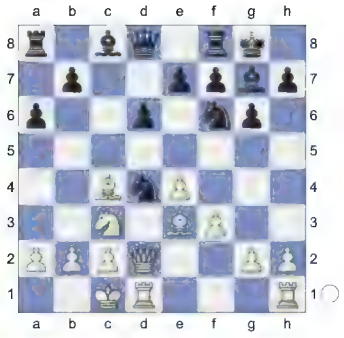
11 **B77**
□ **Lczero Dev** **3623**
■ **Stockfish** **3639**
TCEC 21 Superfinal 2021 (87.1) 04.08.21
[Chris Ward]

B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 And so another titanic tussle between two metal monsters in which to aid in the annotation it seems a little less relevant to use an engine! **9...a6** And these Super computer theme matches are just the gift that keep on giving. Yes not
[9...Bd7 or even]
[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 with instead the approach of 'I'll move my c8-bishop when I'm good and ready'. To be fair that thought has often crossed my mind regards the move 9...Bd7 as aside from vacating c8 for a rook it isn't exactly a candidate for developing move of the year award!]
10.0-0-0 Nxd4

(Diagram)



11.Bxd4 b5 12.Bb3

[As an update to my original annotation of this rare line here on ChessPublishing in 2007 the alternative 12.Bd5 0.02/19 12.Bb3 0.63 12...Nxd5 has scored 50% in practice although I wouldn't necessarily read too much into that. Indeed after 13 Bxg7 Kxg7 14 exd5 I would suggest that White has the edge as his well placed knight will be a bit better than Black's light-squared bishop. However I am intrigued by the 14 years on and still unplayed Rb8! that would fare particularly well following 13.Ba7 Nxd5 *(13...b4!? 14.Ne2 Rb5* is surely worth a go too!) 14.Bxb8? -4.49/22 *(*Hence *14.Nxd5 Rb7* but at least Black traded on d5 on his own terms.*; 14.Nxd5*= 0.10/23 *Rb7 15.Bd4)* 14...Nxc3-+ 15.bxc3 Qb6 Against Ba7]

12...b4N

[The reverse fixture saw the excitingly ambitious 12...a5 with 13.Nxb5 a4! 14.Bc4 Ba6 15.Kb1 Qd7 16.Na3 compensation for the human eyes but ultimately not enough for the truth seekers with White ultimately converting his material plus in Stockfish 14 202107131735 (3639) - LCZero 0.28-dev+ 69626 (3623) tcec-chess.com INT 2021.]

[To be fair either queenside pawn advance seems more to the point than the positional 12...Bb7 seen in the original Onoprienko,V (2342)-Matorin, E (2259) Kyiv UKR 2007 annotation on the site. 13.h4 b4 14.Ne2 a5 15.h5 a4 16.Bc4 Qc7 17.Bd3 b3 18.a3 bxc2 19.Rdg1 e5 20.Be3 d5 21.exd5 Bxd5 22.Bh6 e4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Bxc2 Bb3 25.Nc3 Bxc2 26.hxg6 fxg6 27.Kxc2 Rab8 5.♘f3 00 6. ♗e3 b6_46827 (2342)-Moiseev,M (2259) Kaliningrad RUS 2007 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (34)]

[12...Qc7 13.Bxf6 exf6 14.Qxd6 Qxd6 15.Rxd6 f5 16.Rd3 fxe4 17.Nxe4 Bf5 18.Bd5 Bxe4 19.fxe4 Rad8 20.Rf1 Bh6+ 21.Kd1 Kg7 22.g4 Bg5 23.c3 Rd6 24.Kc2 Rf6 25.Rxf6 Bxf6 26.Bb7 Re8 27.Rd7 Valenti,G (2172)-Dennis,N (1848) Caleta ENG 2014 CT 1-5000 [Alex Baburin (www.chesstoday.net)] 1-0 (70)]

13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5

[14.Bxd5 Rb8 15.h4 Bxg7 is the strong threat.

A) The problem with 15...Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qb6?! 1.45/20 is *(*Black should play *16...h6*± 0.60/19 *)* 17.Qd2! The queens don't come off and the h-file assault remains very much on the menu!;

B) 15...h6 feels like White should be for preference but at least 16.h5 aiming for hxg6. g5 keeps the white major pieces at bay.]

14...Bxd4 White is slightly better.

15.Qxd4 a5

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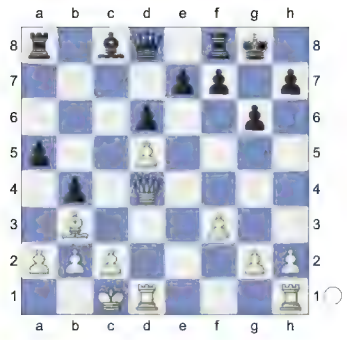


White has a thorn pawn on d5 binding down on the c6-square and facilitating e-file activity against Black's e7-pawn. On the other hand White's light-squared bishop is obstructed and Black's last move signals intent to hassle that same piece. **16.h4** I can see nothing better for White than going for it but to be fair it's rare that I find improvements on the play of the 3623 rateds! **16...a4**

[Obvious alternatives include 16...f6 intending to meet 17.h5 with. Strongly threatening hxg6. g5 and 16...Qc7 possibly looking to switch to a7 or c5 to offer a queen trade. Instead Black opts to go with the flow!]

17.Bc4 b3 Played with no hesitation! **18.h5** 0.25/18

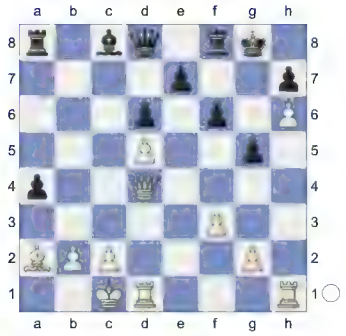
[18.cxb3 axb3 19.Bxb3 Qc7+ 20 Kd2 would feel a bit like the Topalov variation. With the white king in the middle Black obviously has some comp whilst 20.Kb1 0.01/22 *(20.Kd2!± 0.51/20)* 20...Bf5+= 21.Ka1 Rfc8 0.01/19 looks quite dangerous. *(21...Rfb8∓ -0.35/22 22.Rc1 Qa5)*]

[Again bearing a distinct resemblance to the .. .Nxd4 and ...b5 (with the inevitable ...b4 pawn sac) lines, it is fascinating how White eschews the materialistic 18.axb3 axb3 19.Bxb3 in favour of the text.]

[But not 18.cxb3 axb3 19.Bxb3 Qc7+ 20.Kd2 e5 21.dxe6 Bxe6=]

[18.axb3± 0.72/23 axb3 19.Bxb3]

18...bxa2= 19.Bxa2→ Black needs to defend precisely. **19...g5** Again the preference to keep the h1-rook out of the action. Against Qh4 **20.h6** Thank goodness some things remain thematic! But will this pawn be a thorn or a liability? **20...f6**



Stopping the mate on g7 and allowing a future ...Kf7-g6, but certainly conceding holes. **21.g4** Preventing Black's bishop from gaining access to the g6-c2 diagonal. Inhibits Bf5. **21...Bd7 22.Rhe1 Rc8 23.Bc4** With ...Qc7 in Black's thinking there may not have been other opportunities to resurrect this bishop. **23...Be8** 0.86/20 Facilitating a switch to that aforementioned potentially lively diagonal.

[23...Rf7± 0.55/21]

24.Rd3± 0x0.001c124ed25fdp-1022s more active pieces.

[24.Bd3!? is the stand out alternative when the question is whether Black would have just donated his pawn through say a3!? 25.bxa3 Rc7 (or 25...Rc5) or not?]

24...Bg6 25.Rc3 Rc5!

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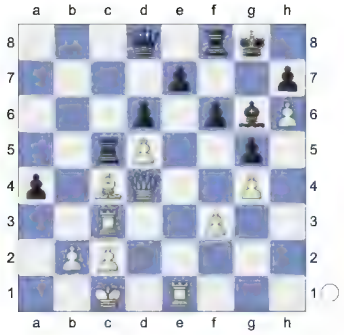

It almost feels condescending to award an '!' to an engine but I like this flexible move so there! **26.Ree3**
[White doesn't have time for 26.Rce3?! -0.53/21 26.Ree3 0.87 because of Qc7 i.e. 27.Rxe7? -3.00/22 *(27.b3=* 0.01/20 *axb3 28.cxb3)* 27...Rxc4! winning material.]
26...Re8 1.22/21 Prophylaxis anyone?
[⌓26...Rf7 0.87/21]
27.f4 If nothing is to come of e-file pressure then this is the stand out break remaining. **27...gxf4** **28.Qxf4** **Qc7** Teeing up ...Rc8. **29.g5!** Hoping for Re6. **29...a3!** 1.61/23
[Note not 29...fxg5? 3.36/22 29...Rf8 1.07 30.Qd4! with stopping the mate on g7 with e5 highly undesirable in view of 31.dxe6]
[29...Rf8± 1.23/22]
30.gxf6+-
[Following 30.bxa3? -1.80/22 30.gxf6 1.77 Rc8! the c3-rook no longer has the protection of the b2-pawn.]
30...axb2+

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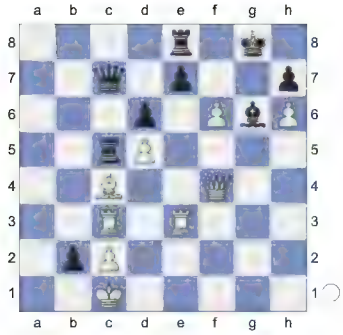
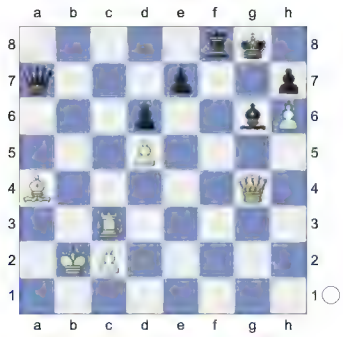


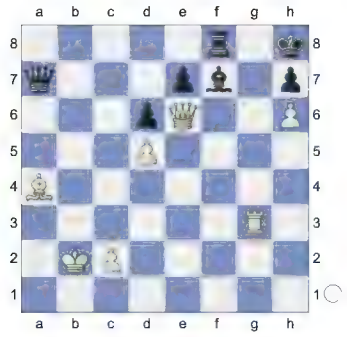
31.Kxb2
[Upon 31.Kb1 0.45/23 31.Kxb2 1.54 Rf8! White can't play 32.Rxe7?? -6.20/22 because of *(32.Qg4=* 0.30/22 *exf6 33.Kxb2)* 32...Qxe7-+ 33.fxe7 Rxf4]
31...Rf8 Again pinning the f-pawn.
32.Qg4 1.17/24
[⌓32.Re6 1.55/23]
32...Rxf6± Re-establishing material equality. **33.Bb3** And now Rxc5 would win. **33...Rxc3** **34.Rxc3** **Qa7** The most flexible post for the queen. **35.Ba4** Intending Rc8+ and mate.
[35.Rc8+ 0.54/23 35.Qc8+ 0.96 Rf8! 36.Qe6+ Bf7 37.Rxf8+ Kxf8 38.Qc8+ Be8 is nothing.]
35...Rf8 1.28/24
[⌓35...Qb8+ 0.79/22 36.Ka2 *(36.Rb3 Qf8=)* 36...Rf8]



Covering the back rank with the rook and with the black queen covering d4 all is fine! **36.Qe6+!** **Bf7**
[Weaker is 36...Kh8 37.Qd7 Qxd7

38.Bxd7±]

37.Rg3+ Kh8



38.Qe3 Dancing on a razor blade.

[38.Qe4? 0.01/21 38.Qe3 1.36 Bxd5! and so White heads to the endgame.]

38...Qxe3 39.Rxe3 Endgame KRB-KRB **39...Bg8!**

[Unsurprisingly accurate to the end. 39...Bxd5?! 40.Rxe7 would have left the back-rank an issue but rather than take that d5-pawn, Black wants to remove the annoying one on h6.]

40.c4

[Equally then 40.Rxe7 Rf6]

40...Rf6

41.Rxe7 Rxh6 Black's king is a little off the pace but it's not a problem. **42.Kc3 Rf6**

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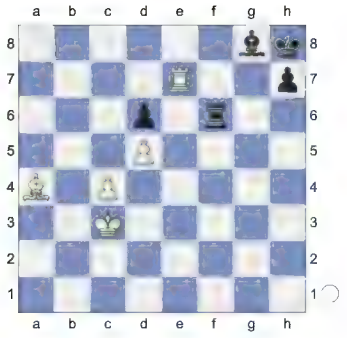
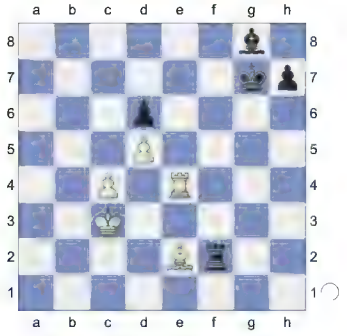


43.Bd1 0.67/22

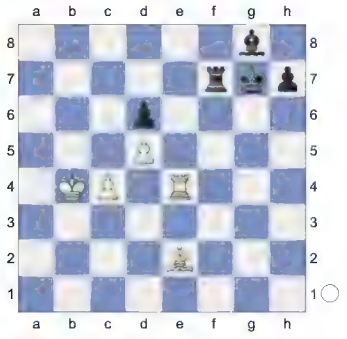
[White should try 43.Be8!± 1.34/20]

43...Rf7± 44.Re4 Rf2 White is better.

45.Be2 Kg7



46.Kb4 Rf7



Evidently it's decided that there is no successful way to get at the d6-pawn!

Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)

½-½

12 **B75**
□ **ScorpioNN** **3483**
■ **Komododragon2747** **3582**
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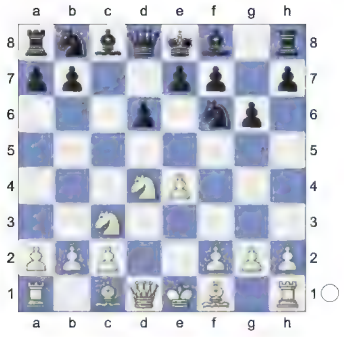
[Kitty Kat]

B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous

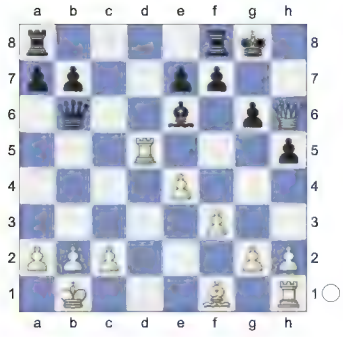
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



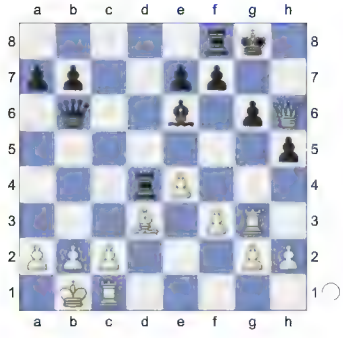
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 h5 9.0-0-0 0-0 10.Kb1 d5

White is slightly better. **11.Bh6**
[11.exd5 is more complex. Nxd5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Nxd5 cxd5 14.Qxd5 Qc7 15.Qc5]
11...Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Nxd4 -1.10/21
[12...Qb6= 0.24/21 13.Nxc6 *(13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Nxc6 Nc3+ 15.Ka1 Qxc6-+)* 13...bxc6]
13.Rxd4? 0.78/21
[Better is 13.e5∓ -1.10/21 Nf5 14.Qf4]
13...Qb6±

14.Nxd5! &Bianco is more active.
14...Nxd5 15.Rxd5 Be6

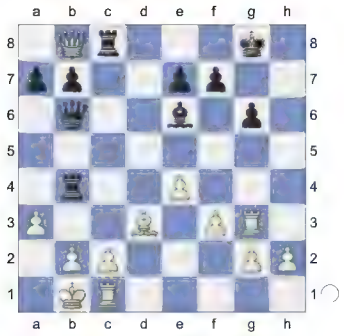


16.Rb5 Qf2N
[16...Qc7 17.Be2 Rfd8 18.Qe3 Rac8 19.Rc1 a6 20.Rb6 Bc4 21.Bxc4 Qxc4 22.c3 6) Dragon-6... Bg7 7.f3 O-O 8.Qd2 Nc6 9. Gori 2023]
17.Bd3! Rad8 18.Rc1 Rd7 19.Rg5 Qb6 20.Rg3 0.33/23
[20.f4± 0.80/18 Strongly threatening f5. Rxd3 21.f5 *(21.cxd3 Qa6=)*]
20...Rd4 0.73/20
[20...Rxd3± 0.33/23 21.cxd3 Qa6]

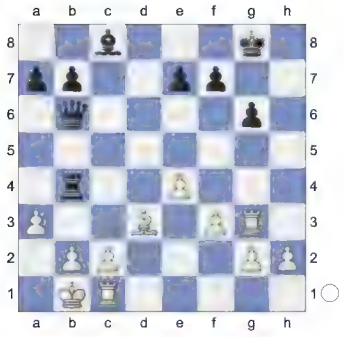


21.Qxh5 Rb4 22.Qe5 Rc8 23.a3 Rc5

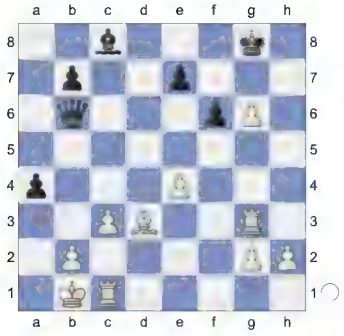
24.Qb8+ Rc8



25.Qxc8+! Bxc8



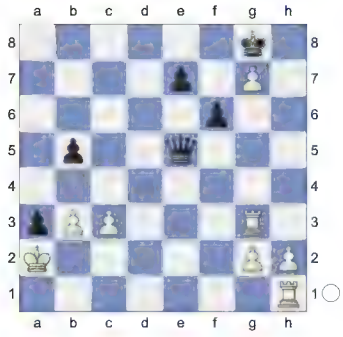
26.axb4 Qxb4 27.f4! a5 28.f5 a4 29.c3!
[Not 29.fxg6? a3 30.gxf7+ Kf8 31.Rg8+ Kxf7 32.Bc4+ e6-+]
29...Qb6 30.fxg6 f6



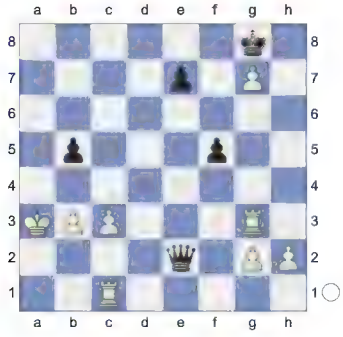
31.Bc2 a3 32.b3 Black must now prevent g7. **32...Qf2 33.g7 Qf4! 34.Rh1! b5** 1.14/21
[34...Be6± 0.48/23 35.Ka1 Bg4]
35.e5 0.01/25
[White should try 35.b4± 1.14/21 Bg4 36.Ka1]
35...Bf5=

(Diagram)

36.Bxf5 Qxf5+ Endgame KQ-KRR
37.Ka2 Qxe5



Hoping for ...b4! **38.Rc1!**
[Don't do 38.Kxa3 Qd6+ 39.Kb2 Qd2+ 40.Ka3 Qd6+ 41.Kb2 Qd2+ 42.Kb1 f5=]
38...Qe2+ 39.Kxa3 Threatens to win with c4. **39...f5**



40.Rf3 0.58/22
[40.c4!± 1.16/21 aiming for cxb5. f4 41.Rgc3 Qxg2 42.cxb5]
40...Qd2 1.45/21
[40...e6± 0.58/22]

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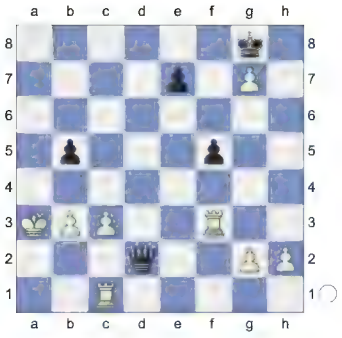
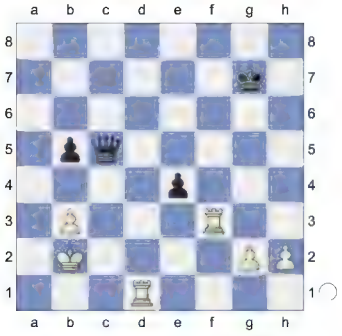
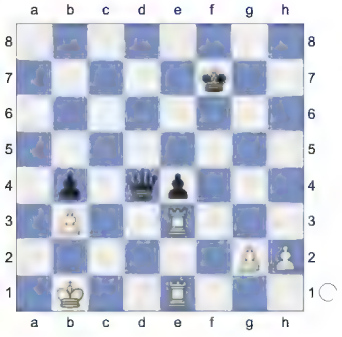


41.Rff1 0.39/19
[41.Rcf1± 1.45/21]
41...Kxg7± 42.Rcd1 Qxc3 43.Rxf5 e5 44.Rf3 Qc5+ 45.Kb2 e4



Against Rfd3 **46.Rg3+ Kf7 47.Rf1+ Ke8 48.Kb1 Qd4 49.Re1** And now Rge3 would win. **49...Kf7 50.Rge3 b4!**



51.g3 Qd5 0.34/22
[51...Kg6= 0.01/24 is superior.]
52.h3 0.01/25
[52.R1e2± 0.34/22 was preferrable.]
52...Qd2 The position is equal. **53.h4 Kg6 54.g4 Kf6 55.R1e2 Qd5**

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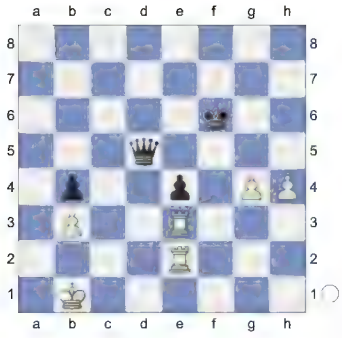
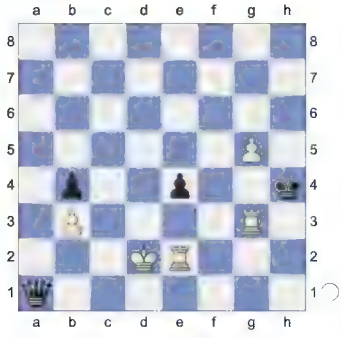
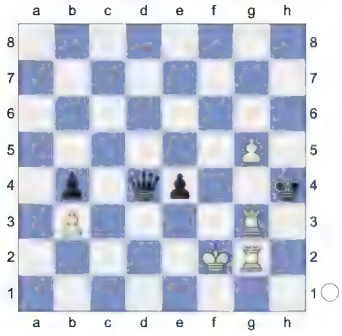


56.g5+ Kg6 57.Kc2 Qe5 58.Kd1 White wants to play Ke1. **58...Qa1+ 59.Kd2 Kh5 60.Rg3 Kxh4**



61.Reg2 Really sharp! **61...Qa2+ 62.Ke1 Qa1+ 63.Ke2 Qa2+ 64.Kf1 Qa1+ 65.Kf2 Qd4+**



66.Re3 Qd2+ 67.Re2⇄ White is not keeping still **67...Qf4+ 68.Kg1 Qc1+ 69.Kh2 Qf4+ 70.Kh1 Qf1+**

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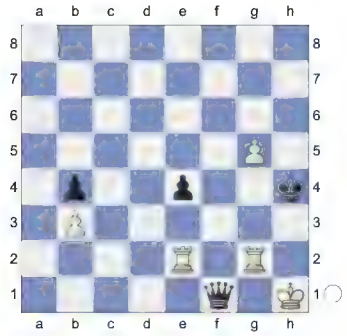
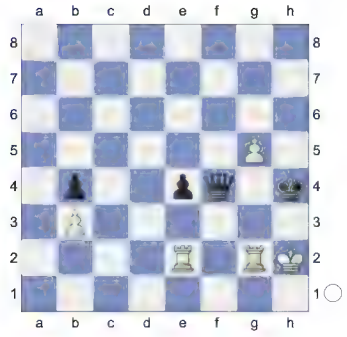


71.Kh2 Qf4+ 72.Kh1 White wants to mate with Rg1. **72...Qf1+ 73.Kh2 Qf4+**



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13 **B77**
☐ **Berserk** **3476**
■ **Stockfish Dev Da50** **3607**
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[Chris Ward]

B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Nd7 10.h4 h5 0.68/19

[Yes this bizarre line again! Updating the stats from my previous annotation, on previous occasions upon reaching this position Black has carried on with the main plan of 10...Nb6 (i.e. looking to get a knight to c4) on 299 occasions. Alternatively Black has played]

[10...Nde5 0.90/17 10...Na5 -0.23 41 times but the provocative text has in documented human outings still only even been played once before and (no offence intended!) that was in a game between two sub 2000 rated players!]

[10...Na5!= 0.21/19 11.Bxf7+ Rxf7]

I still remain a little in the dark about these TCEC encounters, previously observing that 'Whether or not they are aware of previous theory these super strong engines show little regard for what their human counterparts have

concluded in the past!'. Alternatively of course it could be just flesh and blood forcing engines into playing such suspicious variations, whereby such cruelty is perhaps ready to be cited as just one reason should computers rise up and overthrow the human race. All that aside though, sit back and be entertained! **11.0-0-0±** Regards Black's selected 10th move itself, it's almost like Black is fronting up with his h-pawn to single-handedly thwart White's attack. Soltis like but with no knight on f6 to help out or indeed other defensive pieces immediately at hand. Very apt of course in this day and age but immediately of course one should check out. 0x0.001c124ed25fdp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed.

[11.g4 -0.17/21 11.0-0-0 0.63 which after all one might instinctively want to play in a blitz game! However it transpires that the slightly different positioning of his pieces offers up some other defensive resources especially regards tactics around d4 and f3. All speculation but for example: hxg4

A) Also to the point is 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.f4! but. Against Ne5 Nf6 14.h5 Nxh5 15.0-0-0 allows Black to deflect from those f4-f5, Bh6, Rxh5 like ideas through d5!

A1) 16.f5 Qd6! 17.fxg6 dxc4 18.gxf7+ Rxf7 -0.20/21 with the queens coming off isn't a problem for Black who might even table in 17...Ng3!? as well. *(18...Kxf7∓ -0.56/21 19.Rxh5 Qxd2+ 20.Bxd2 Rb8)*;

A2) 16.exd5 Rb8!? *(or 16...Qd6)* with for example 17.dxc6 -0.85/19 *(17.Bxa7∓ -0.47/19 Rb4 18.Bb3)* 17...Qc7!∓ 18.Rxh5?! -1.64/20 *(18.Bd5∓ -0.68/18)* 18...gxh5-+ 19.Rh1 -2.43/21 *(19.Qg2∓ -1.27/18)* 19...Qxc6-+ hitting the c4-bishop and thus 20.Bd5 Qg6 leaving Black sitting very pretty.;

B) 12.h5 Nde5! (hitting the bishop on c4 and threatening the aforementioned ...Nxd4 followed by ...Nxf3) 13.Be2 Nxd4! 14.Bxd4 gxf3 when 15.Bxe5 dxe5! is under control with 16.Bxf3 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Be6 essentially leaving Black with the bishop pair as well as his sort of extra pawn for the endgame.]

Though Black has seemingly abandoned his king then, there nevertheless clearly remains defensive resources. **11...Qa5**

[Instead 11...Nde5 12.Bb3 0.42/17 *(12.Be2± 0.93/20)* 12...Na5± 13.Qe2 Nxb3+ 14.cxb3 Qa5 15.Kb1 Re8 16.Rdg1 0.21/19 *(16.Nd5± 0.58/19)* 16...Nc6 17.Qd2 -0.27/21 *(17.Qb5± 0.47/19)* 17...f5 0.19/17 *(⌓17...d5 -0.27/21 18.Nxc6 bxc6)* 18.exf5 Strongly threatening g4. Bxd4! 19.Bxd4 Bxf5+ 20.Ka1 next g4 is good for White. Nb4 21.Rc1?? -8.37/21 Prevents Nc2+. *(21.a3= 0.01/22)* 21...Nxa2! 0-1 (21) Jobe,T (1690) -Ventimiglia,C (1925) IECC email 2000 had clearly seen White's position slowly decline from one of strength before going out with a bang in the only actual life form encounter!]

12.Kb1

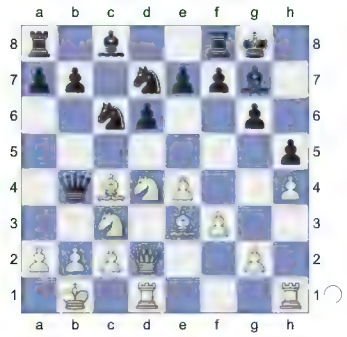
[In case anyone was wondering the plan after 12.Nb3 0.32/22 12.Nd5 0.74 would have been Qb4 13.Be2

Clearly the black queen needs to take care but rather than bailing out early with Bxc3 *(So 13...Nb6!?* 0.33/21 13...Bxc3 0.01 now with a future ...Na4 ready, threatening ...Bxc3 and hence *14.a3 Bxc3 15.axb4 Bxd2+ 16.Bxd2 Be6* being okay.*)* 14.bxc3! *(Rather than 14.Qxc3?!* -0.09/20 14.bxc3 0.23 *Qxc3 15.bxc3* where the concession of the Dragon bishop to compromise the opponent's pawn structure is a very reasonable one given that White is very unlikely to get a knight to d5 now or deliver mate! *)* 14...Qa3+ 15.Kb1 Nb6 0.79/20 which allows White to defend Black's b2-mating threat via *(15...Nf6±* 0.35/19 should be considered.*)* 16.Qe1!± i.e. Na4?? 2.66/5 *(16...Be6±* 0.91/19 *)* 17.Bc1 he should delay with the bracketed note 13...Nb6!?.]

[This month of April 2023 though also witnessed 12.Qf2 Bxd4 13.Bxd4 Nde5 14.Bb3 Nxd4 15.Rxd4 Be6 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.Rxd5 Qb6 18.Qxb6 axb6 19.Rb5 with a small structural advantage for White in LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2- (3573)-KomodoDragon 3.2 (3569) tcec-chess.com INT 2023.]

[Because of the strength of the 'player', certainly to be taken seriously but nevertheless slightly innocuous was the 12.Bd5 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Ne5 Against g4 15.Qd2 Kg7 Prevents Qh6+. 16.Qg5 Qd8 17.Qe3 0.49/18 *(17.Rhe1±* 0.85/17 *)* 17...Qc7 18.Kb1 a5 0.98/19 *(18...Bd7±* 0.63/18 *)* 19.a4 Qc5 20.Qg5 Re8 21.Bb3 Bd7 22.Rd5 Qf2 23.Rd2 Qc5 24.f4 f6 25.Qg3 Ng4 with a slight advantage for White that was ultimately neutralised for a draw in KomodoDragon 3.2 (3569)-LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2- (3573) tcec-chess.com INT 2023]

12...Qb4



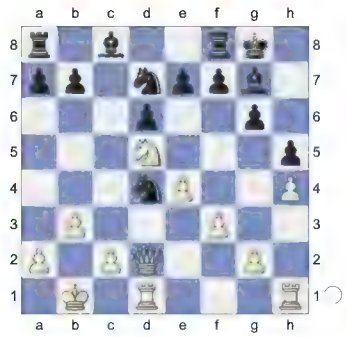
Once more (yep regulars will remember a previous super-engine in this line before) trading a dangerous path with the black queen looking vulnerable. White is slightly better. **13.Nd5! Qxc4**

[Bearing in mind the potential for intermezzo check on e7, 13...Qxd2?! 14.Rxd2 is a nice advantage for White. Instead then we're in line for more craziness!]

14.b3!

[Note that 14.Nxc6? -1.43/21 14.b3 1.20 bxc6 15.Nxe7+ Kh7 16.b3 Qb5 17.Qxd6 Ne5 would leave Black with his queen still intact and with a piece for pawns, somewhat on the offensive.]

14...Qxd4 15.Bxd4 Nxd4



Three pieces for a queen is always an interesting imbalance but of course e7 is

dropping immediately. **16.Nxe7+ Kh7 17.Nd5N** 1.50/21 White is right to be concerned about the possibility of ...Nb5-c3 and that also explained why

[17.c4 0.93/20 17.Nd5 1.64 with a5! (Black has ideas of their own with ... a5-a4 looking to prise open the a-file and at the very least pile pressure on b3 and c4.)

A) The only good move with 18.g4?! -0.27/20 18.Qe3 1.35 a4 19.gxh5? -2.11/24 *(19.b4!∓* -0.34/21 *)* 19...axb3-+ 20.axb3 Ra1+! for example showing how quickly things can turn. Suddenly 21.Kxa1 Nxb3+ 22.Kb1 Nxd2+ 23.Rxd2 gxh5 24.Rxd6 Ne5 would leave Black with two minor pieces for a rook and pawn, clearly on top.;

B) 18.Qe3! Nc6 19.Nxc8! Rfxc8 20.Rxd6 (Your box standard engines are still assessing this position as clearly better for White but it has already been a bit of a minefield just to maintain that alleged edge!) Nde5 featuring in the amazing eventual draw Stockfish 202006170741 (3801)-LCZero v0.25.1-svjio-t60-3972 (3813) https://tcec-chess.com 2020. As you'll see this game is no less incredible but re my original comment for example 21.f4 Ng4 22.Qd2 a4 23.b4 a3 24.Rh3 Nf6 25.Qe1 Ra4 26.Rb3 Ne8 27.Rd5 Nd4 28.Qc3 Nxb3 29.Qxb3 Raa8 30.c5 b6 31.Rd7 bxc5 32.Qxf7 cxb4 33.f5 Rc6 34.fxg6+ Rxg6 35.Qd5 b3 Elderton,E (3801)-Malysheva,P (3813) Moscow 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik, Z] ½-½ (89) 36.Qxa8 Rxg2 37.Rxg7+ Nxg7 38.axb3 Rb2+ 39.Ka1 Rxb3 40.e5 Rb6 41.Qe4+ Kh8 42.Qa8+ Kh7 43.Qe4+ Kh8 44.Ka2 Re6 45.Qe3 Ra6 46.Qd3 Re6 47.Qe3 Ra6 48.Qe4 Re6 49.Kxa3 Rb6 50.Qf3 Re6 Stockfish (3801)-LCZero v0.25.1-svjio-t60-3972 (3813) https://tcec-chess.com 2020 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (89)]

[17.g4 Nb5! 18.c4 *(*Upon *18.Nd5* now, *Nb6!* would appeal.*)* 18...Nc3+ 19.Kc2 Nxd1 20.gxh5! Ne5! won't see Black getting mated and the piece count for the queen has gone up!]

[Equally White can't afford to be casual and try and swap his way to victory with 17.Nxc8? -0.73/21 17.c4 1.05 Rfxc8 18.c4! Rc6 0.32/18 leaving Black nicely active and with an attractive ...a5-a4 plan suggesting itself. *(18...a5=* -0.05/21 feels stronger. *19.Qe3 Ne6)*]

[⌓17.a4 1.08/21]

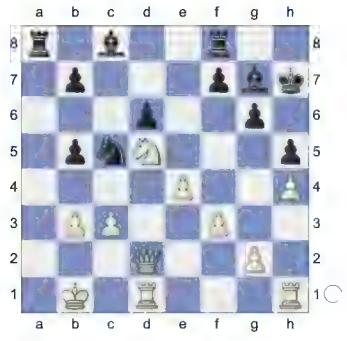
17...Nc5 2.03/22 So it's two bishops and a knight for a queen and pawn with d5 a handy outpost for White's remaining minor piece and d6 obviously weak.

[17...b6± 1.50/21 was necessary.]

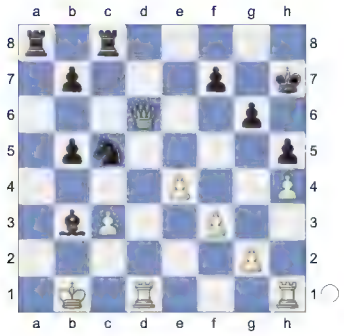
18.c3 0.59/20

[18.Qe3!+- 2.03/22 Nce6 19.g4]

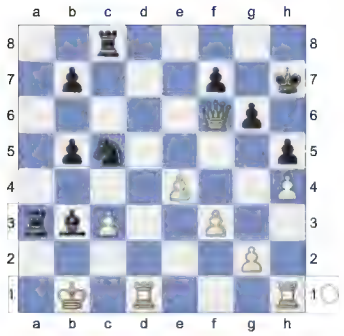
18...Nb5 19.a4! a6 1.86/18 Wow, wow, wow!!! **20.axb5+- axb5**



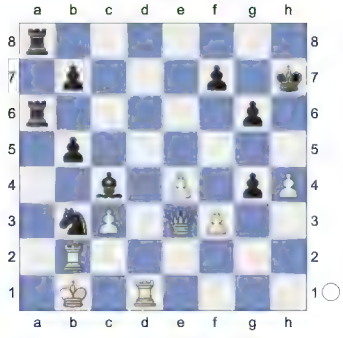
Yes Black has sacrificed one of its minor pieces to get an open a-file.
21.Qg5 0.53/22
[21.g4!+- 1.74/19 aiming for gxh5. b4 22.Nxb4 *(22.cxb4? Ra1+ 23.Kc2 Ra2+ 24.Kb1 Rxd2∓)*]
21...Be6± 22.Nf6+ 0.01/24
[22.g4± 0.60/18 Ra3 23.Kc1 *(23.gxh5? Rfa8-+; 23.b4 Na4=)*]
22...Bxf6=
[A natural reaction would be to want to preserve the Dragon bishop but 22...Kh8? 2.90/20 22...Bxf6 0.63 23.Rxd6 Nxb3 for example would run into 24.Rxe6! fxe6 8.70/22 *(⌓24...Ra1+* 4.50/20 *25.Kb2 Rxh1)* 25.e5+- with Ra1+ 26.Kb2 Rxh1 27.Qxg6 a serious problem.]
23.Qxf6 Bxb3 24.Qxd6 White is happy to return some material to simplify but of course Black isn't interested! **24...Rfc8**



Not interested in that rook on d1,the era of materialistic computers is well passed!
25.Qf6! Ra3

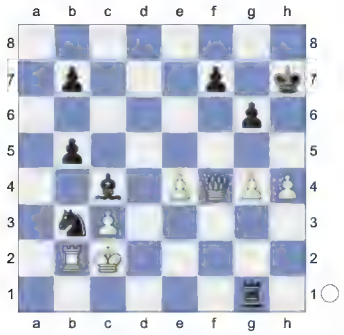


26.g4 Unable to simply trade to victory, White takes up the 'going for mate' gauntlet! **26...Bc4** In eliminating a c3-c4 defence, suddenly ...Rca8 is a massive threat. **27.Rh2!** And this is actually the only move to retain the advantage.
[27.gxh5?! Rca8 28.hxg6+ fxg6 29.Qe7+ Kh6 30.Qg5+ *(30.Qxc5? Ra1+ 31.Kc2 R8a2#)* 30...Kh7 31.Qe7+ *(31.Qxc5? Ra1+ 32.Kc2 R8a2#)* 31...Kh6 32.Qg5+ *(32.Qxc5? Ra1+ 33.Kc2 R8a2#)* 32...Kh7 33.Qe7+= *(33.Qxc5? Ra1+ 34.Kc2 R8a2#)*]
27...Rca8 (-> ...Ra1+) **28.Rb2**
[28.gxh5?? -#2/6 28.Rb2 1.04 Ra1+ would have seen ...R8a2 mate next and hence the second part of the required defence.]
28...R3a6 1.53/23
[⌓28...R8a6 1.17/23 29.Qe7 *(29.Qd4 Na4=)* 29...Nd3]
29.Qd4 Nb3 30.Qe3! gxh5 is the strong threat.
[Again the only move to keep the advantage. Cute would be 30.Qd7 -0.01/18 30.Qe3 1.46 Ra1+! 31.Kc2 Rxd1! 32.Qxd1 Ra1 33.Rb1 *(*And not *33.Qd7??* -#1/6 33.Rb1 0.01 *Rc1#)* 33...Ra2+ 34.Rb2 Ra1 etc. with a repetition.]
30...hxg4



31.fxg4 Ra1+ 32.Kc2 Rxd1 33.Kxd1 Chess con chili. **33...Ra1+ 34.Kc2 Rh1** Threatening a ...Rh2+-h1+ perpetual.

35.Qf4 Prevents Rh2+.
[35.Rxb3 Rh2+ 36.Kc1 Bxb3]
35...Rg1



And now a ...Rg2+-g1+ perpetual!
36.Rxb3 So finally White acquiesces to an endgame that to be fair still offers promise. **36...Rg2+ 37.Kc1 Bxb3+-** Endgame Yes White now has a queen for a rook and a bishop with an extra half a pawn. KQ-KRB **38.h5** And still some attacking chances! **38...Be6** 2.07/26
[⌓38...gxh5 1.71/21 39.Qf5+ *(39.gxh5 Bc4±)* 39...Kg8 40.Qg5+ *(40.Qxb5 h4+-; 40.Qxh5 Rc2+ 41.Kb1 Rxc3±; 40.gxh5 Bc4±)* 40...Kf8 41.Qc5+ *(41.Qxb5 h4±; 41.Qxh5 Bc4±)* 41...Kg8 42.Qxb5 *(42.gxh5 Bc4±)* 42...h4 43.Qg5+ *(43.Qxb3 h3=)* 43...Kf8 44.Qxh4 Be6 45.Qd8+ Kg7 46.Qg5+ Kh7]
39.Qg5
[39.hxg6+ 1.26/24 39.Qg5 1.98 Kxg6 would be fairly solid for Black and so instead White is trying to arrange Black having to recapture on g6 with the pawn.]
39...Rg1+ 40.Kd2 Rxg4

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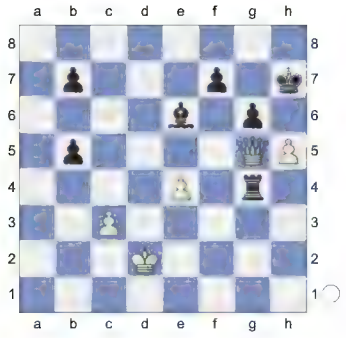
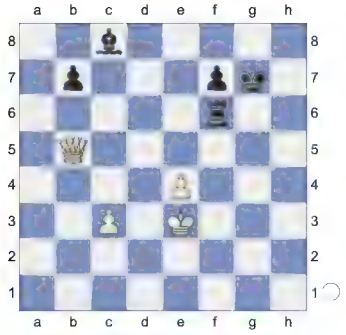
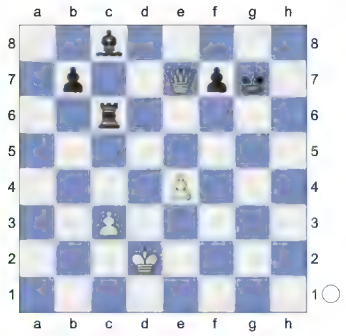


41.hxg6+
[Don't take 41.Qxb5?! Rxe4 42.Qxb7 Rg4±]
41...Kg7 42.Qh5 Rg2+ 43.Ke3 Rxg6 But that aim wasn't achieved and Black is searching for the ultimate blockade.
44.Qe5+ Rf6 45.Qxb5 Bc8

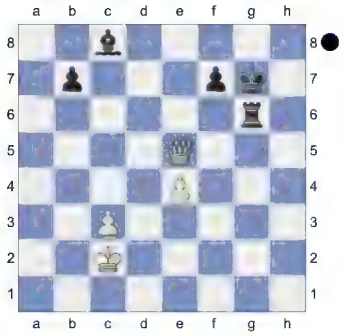


Presumably Black would rather this bishop was on the more secure c6-square but it appears that even this is adequate. **46.Qe8 Rc6 47.Kd4 Rd6+ 48.Ke3** 0.01/21
[Better is 48.Kc5± 1.18/24 Rc6+ 49.Kd4]
48...Rc6= 49.Kd2 Be6 50.Qe7 Bc8



51.Kc2 1.29/20

[White should try 51.Kd3+- 1.66/23]
51...Rf6 1.89/21
[51...Kg6± 1.29/20 52.Kd3 b6]
52.Qe8 Rc6 53.Qe7 -0.01/22
[53.Qd8± 1.43/21]
53...Re6? 1.86/21
[53...Rf6!= -0.01/22 and Black stays safe.]
54.Qg5++- Rg6 55.Qe5+



Of course traditional engines still clearly favour White but the elite ones agree that there is no way to make progress (or else their operators decided it was time for dinner!).
Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.16 (very precise)
½-½

14 **B76**
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■ **Loin Sn** **2931**
Blitz 13.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

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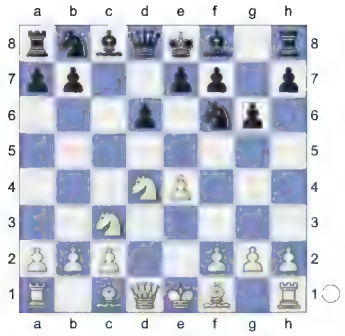
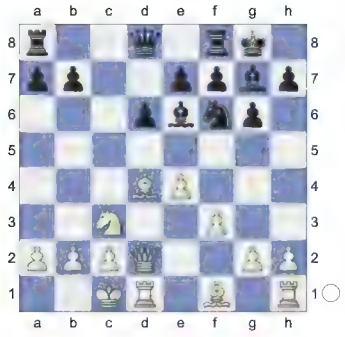


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6



11.Kb1 Re8 12.a3 Qa5 13.h4 Rec8 14.g4 Rab8 15.h5 b5

16.h6
[16.Nd5!? Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxd5 18.exd5±]
16...Bh8 0.72/20
[16...b4± 0.31/21 is more appropriate. 17.Nb5 *(17.hxg7? bxc3 18.Qxc3 Rxc3-+; 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 Bf8±)* 17...Bh8]
17.g5±
[17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bxd4 20.Rxd4 Bd7 21.Bd3 Kf8 22.Re1 Rc7 23.Rde4 Bc8 24.b4

Rb6 25.Kb2 Rb8 26.Rf4 Bb7 27.Rd4 Bc8 28.Kb3 f6 29.c4 bxc4+ 30.Rxc4 Rxc4 31.Bxc4 Bd7 Aranaz Murillo,A (2465)-Mordvintsev,V (2444) Brno 2004 Telechess CBM 89 [Hamdouchi,Hicham] 1-0 (54)]

17...b4 18.Nb5 Rxb5N 2.54/22

[18...Qa4= 0.29/20 and Black has nothing to worry. 19.Rh2 *(19.gxf6 bxa3 20.b3 Bxb3∓)* 19...bxa3 *(19...b3 20.c4 Ne8 21.Nc3 Qd7 22.Bxh8 Kxh8 23.Qd4+ Kg8 24.Rhd2 Rb7 25.e5 Rc6 26.Ne4 Bf5 27.c5 Qc8 28.exd6 exd6 29.Bc4 Rbc7 30.Bxb3 Rxc5 31.Bd5 Re7 32.Rd3 a5 33.Nxc5 dxc5 34.Qc3* Petz,J-Bruneau,M ICCF Email 2001 UltraCorr3a [Bruneau, Le Courrier des Echecs 517] 1-0 (35)) 20.b3 Rxb5 21.Bxb5 Qxb5 22.gxf6 exf6 23.Bxa7 Bxb3 24.cxb3 Qxb3+ 25.Ka1 Rc4 26.Qxd6 f5+ 27.e5 Bxe5+ 28.Qxe5 Qxd1+ 29.Ka2 Rc2+ 30.Rxc2 Qxc2+ 31.Kxa3 Qd3+ 32.Kb4 Qd2+ 33.Kb5 Qd7+ 34.Kb6 Qd8+ Zufic-Rezan Zadar 2008 [Game 25] ½-½ (41) 35.Qc7 Qf8 36.Qb8 Qxb8+ 37.Bxb8 f6 38.Kc6 Kf7 39.Kd5 g5 40.Ba7 Kg6 41.Ke6 f4 Chapter Part-Games Game - 3 (41)]

19.Bxb5+-

[Don't do 19.gxf6?! b3 20.c3 *(20.fxe7 bxc2+ 21.Qxc2 Rbb8±)* 20...Rb7±]

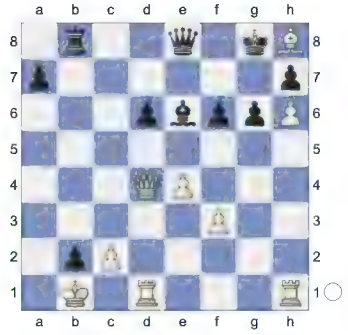
19...Qxb5 20.gxf6 bxa3

(Diagram)

21.fxe7 The board is on fire. **21...axb2?** 8.34/21

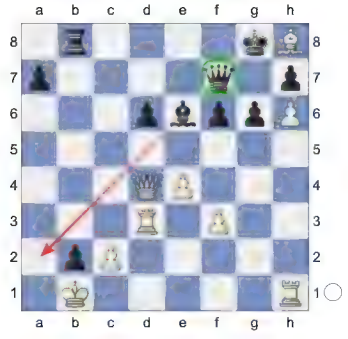
[21...f6 3.78/20 22.Qd3 a2+ 23.Ka1 Qxd3 24.cxd3 Re8]

22.Bxh8 Rb8 23.e8Q+ Qxe8 24.Qd4 f6



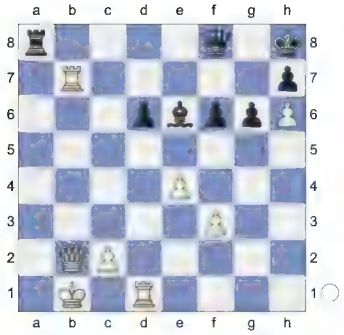
25.Rd3! Qf7

[25...Rb6 26.Bxf6]

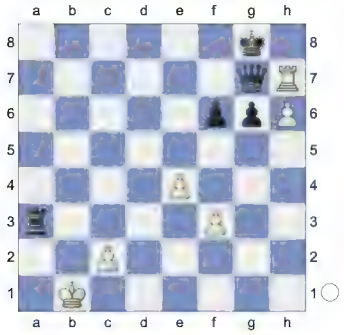


26.Ra3 Against Ba2+ **26...Kxh8 27.Rxa7 Qf8 28.Rd1 Rd8 29.Qxb2 Rb8 30.Rb7 Ra8** 5.90/22

[30...Rxb7 4.17/21 was necessary. 31.Qxb7 Qxh6 32.Rxd6 Bg8 33.Rxf6 Qe3]



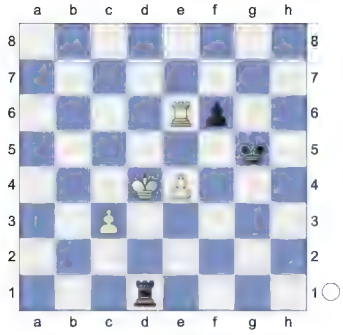
31.Rxd6? 1.89/23 **Ba2+ 32.Qxa2 Rxa2 33.Rdd7** &Bianco is more active.
33...Ra3? 4.55/27
[33...Ra7 1.92/27 34.Rxa7 Qb4+ 35.Kc1 Qe1+ 36.Rd1 *(36.Kb2 Qb4+ 37.Ka2 Qc4+ 38.Kb2 Qb4+ 39.Kc1 Qe1+ 40.Rd1 Qe3+ 41.Kb2 Qb6+ 42.Kc3 Qc5+ 43.Kb2 Qb6+ 44.Kc3 Qc5+ 45.Kb3 Qb6+ 46.Kc4 Qc6+ 47.Kb4 Qb6+ 48.Kc4 Qc6+ 49.Kb3 Qb6+ 50.Kc4+-)* 36...Qe3+ 37.Kb2 Qb6+ 38.Kc3 Qc5+ 39.Kb3 Qb6+ 40.Kc4 Qc6+ 41.Kb4 Qb6+ 42.Kc4 Qc6+ 43.Kb4 Qb6+ 44.Kc4]
34.Rxh7+ Kg8 35.Rbg7+ Qxg7



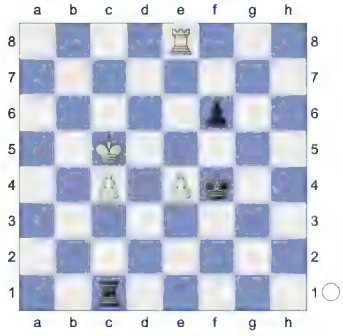
36.Rxg7+ Endgame KR-KR **36...Kh8 37.Rxg6 Rxf3 38.Kb2 Kh7 39.Rg7+** 1.07/25
[39.Rg4+- 1.92/25]
39...Kxh6± **40.Re7** c4 is the strong threat. **40...Kg5**

(Diagram)

41.c3 0.01/25
[41.c4± 0.75/24]
41...Kf4 0.80/24
[41...Re3= 0.01/25]
42.Kb3 Re3 43.Re6! Kg5 3.27/24
[43...Rxe4± 0.73/25 44.Rxf6+ Ke5]
44.Kc4+- Re1 45.Kd4 Rd1+



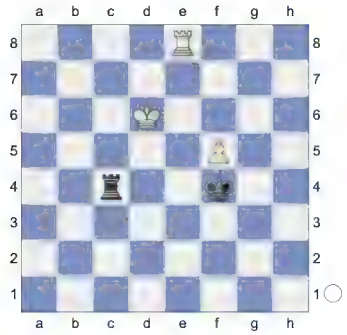
46.Kc5! Re1 4.75/25
[46...Kg6 3.37/24 is a better defense. 47.c4 Rc1]
47.c4 Rc1 48.Re8 2.86/21
[⌓48.Kb5 4.85/25 f5 49.exf5]
48...Kf4



49.Kd6? 0.00/25
[49.Re7!+- 2.49/24]
49...f5? 5.27/22

[49...Rxc4= 0.00/25 and Black stays safe. 50.Kd5 Rc2]

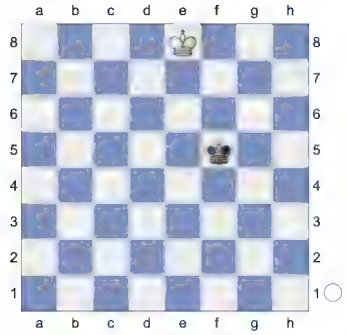
50.exf5 Rxc4



51.Ke6 0.00/94

[51.f6+- 8.52/27 Threatening mate with f7. Rd4+ 52.Ke7 Re4+ 53.Kf8]

51...Re4+= The position is equal. **52.Kf7** White threatens Rxe4+ and mate. **52...Rxe8 53.Kxe8** f6 would kill now. **53...Kxf5**



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15 **B76**

□ **Realmadrid2007** **2884**

■ **Loin Sn** **2957**

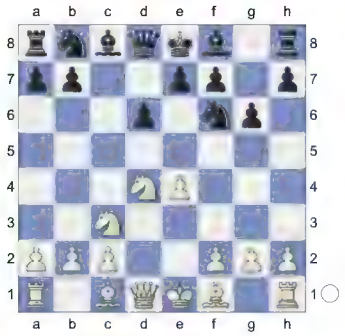
Blitz 13.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

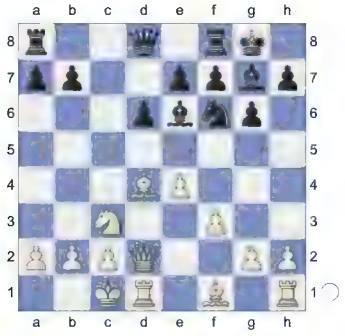
Blitz 3min

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6



11.Kb1 Re8 12.a3 Qa5 13.g4 Rec8 14.h4 Rab8 15.h5 b5

16.h6 0.01/20

[16.Nd5± 0.46/19 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxd5 18.exd5]

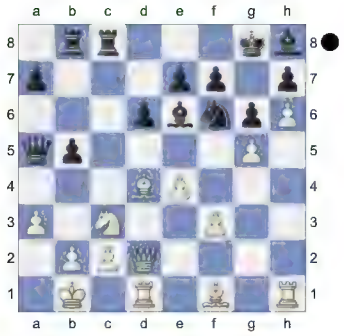
16...Bh8 0.44/21

[16...b4!= 0.01/20 17.Nb5 *(17.hxg7? bxc3 18.Qxc3 Rxc3-+; 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 Bh8∓)* 17...Bh8]

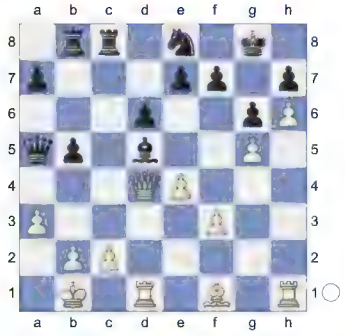
17.g5 -0.01/21

[17.Nd5± 0.44/21 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Bxd5 *(18...Nxd5 19.exd5 Bxd4 20.Rxd4 Bd7 21.Bd3 Kf8 22.Re1*

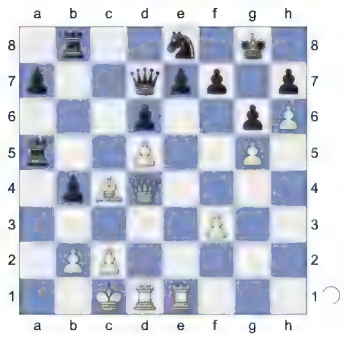
Rc7 23.Rde4 Bc8 24.b4 Rb6 25.Kb2 Rb8 26.Rf4 Bb7 27.Rd4 Bc8 28.Kb3 f6 29.c4 bxc4+ 30.Rxc4 Rxc4 31.Bxc4 Bd7 32.Ba6 Be8 33.Kc4 Aranaz Murillo,A (2465)-Mordvintsev,V (2444) Brno 2004 Telechess CBM 89 [Hamdouchi, Hicham] 1-0 (54) *)* 19.exd5]



17...Ne8N 1.88/19
[17...b4!= -0.01/21 18.Nb5 Qa4 19.Rh2 bxa3 *(19...b3 20.c4 Ne8 21.Nc3 Qd7 22.Bxh8 Kxh8 23.Qd4+ Kg8 24.Rhd2 Rb7 25.e5 Rc6 26.Ne4 Bf5 27.c5 Qc8 28.exd6 exd6 29.Bc4 Rbc7 30.Bxb3 Rxc5 31.Bd5 Re7 32.Rd3 a5 33.Nxc5 dxc5 34.Qc3* Petz,J-Bruneau,M ICCF Email 2001 UltraCorr3a [Bruneau, Le Courrier des Echecs 517] 1-0 (35)*)* 20.b3 Rxb5 21.Bxb5 Qxb5 22.gxf6 exf6 23.Bxa7 Bxb3 24.cxb3 Qxb3+ 25.Ka1 Rc4 26.Qxd6 f5+ 27.e5 Bxe5+ 28.Qxe5 Qxd1+ 29.Ka2 Rc2+ 30.Rxc2 Qxc2+ 31.Kxa3 Qd3+ 32.Kb4 Qd2+ 33.Kb5 Qd7+ Zufic-Rezan Zadar 2008 [Game 25] ½-½ (41) 34.Kb6 Qd8+ 35.Qc7 Qf8 36.Qb8 Qxb8+ 37.Bxb8 f6 38.Kc6 Kf7 39.Kd5 g5 40.Ba7 Kg6 41.Ke6 f4 Chapter Part-Games Game - 3 (41)]
18.Bxh8 1.26/22
[White has to play 18.Nd5+- 1.88/19 Qxd2 19.Nxe7+ *(19.Rxd2 Bxd5 20.exd5 Bxd4±)* 19...Kf8 20.Rxd2]
18...Kxh8± White is better. **19.Qd4+ Kg8 20.Nd5** Prevents b4. **20...Bxd5**

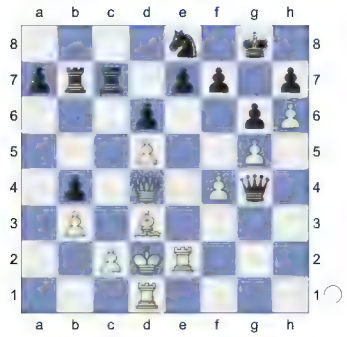


21.exd5 b4 Inhibits c3. **22.a4 Qxa4**
[22...e5 23.dxe6 fxe6 24.Bc4 Rxc4 25.Qxc4+-]
23.Bc4 Rc5 0.86/22
[23...e5? 24.dxe6 Rxc4 25.exf7+ Kxf7 26.Qxc4+ Kf8 27.Rhe1+-]
[23...Qa5± 0.49/19]
24.Rhe1! White has strong compensation. Dancing on a razor blade. **24...Ra5 25.Kc1** Active counter play! **25...Qd7**

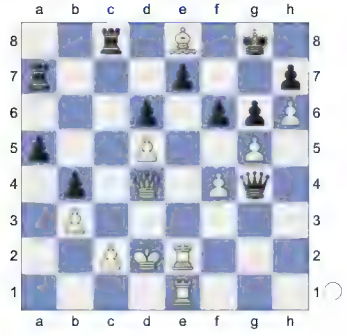


26.Kd2 0.21/21
[26.b3± 0.81/21]
26...Rc5 27.b3→ White is up to no good.
[27.Re4!?]
27...Qf5 0.73/23
[27...a5= 0.22/18 remains equal.]
28.f4 Rc7 1.57/21
[⌓28...Rb7 0.90/20]
29.Bd3 Qg4 1.74/19

[29...Qc8± 1.31/21 was worth a try.]
30.Re2+- aiming for Rde1. **30...Rbb7** 2.30/21
[⌓30...f6 1.61/20]



31.Rde1 Kc1 is the strong threat. **31...a5** 3.08/24
[⌓31...f6 2.13/21 32.Ba6 Kf7 33.Bxb7 Rxb7]
32.Ba6 Ra7 33.Bb5 Rc8 #14/21
[33...Qc8+- 3.53/22 34.Bc6 *(34.Bxe8 Rxc2+ 35.Kd3 Rc3+ 36.Kd2 Rc2+ 37.Ke3 Qh3+ 38.Ke4 Qf5+ 39.Kf3 Qh3+ 40.Ke4 f5+ 41.gxf6 Qf5+ 42.Kf3 Qh3+ 43.Ke4 Qf5+ 44.Kf3 Qh3+ 45.Ke4=)* 34...Rab7]
34.Rxe7 16.85/23
[⌓34.Bxe8 #14/21 f6



35.gxf6! exf6 36.Qxa7 Qxf4+ 37.Kd1 Qxh6 38.Rh2!! Qg7 39.Re7]
34...Rxe7 35.Rxe7

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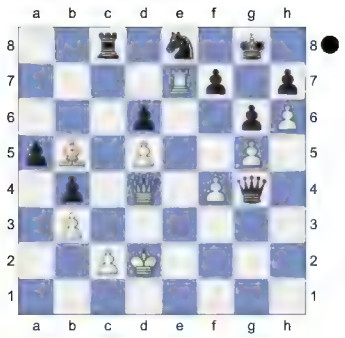

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16 **B76**
□ **Realmadrid2007** **2881**
■ **Loin Sn** **2960**
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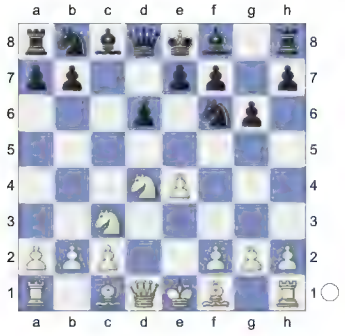
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
openings101.org **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6

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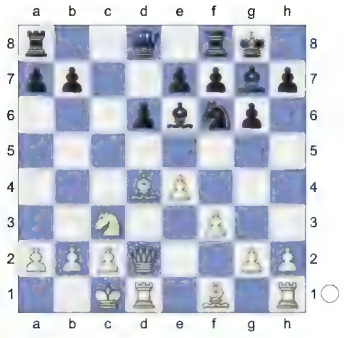
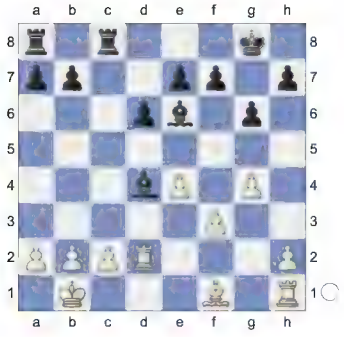
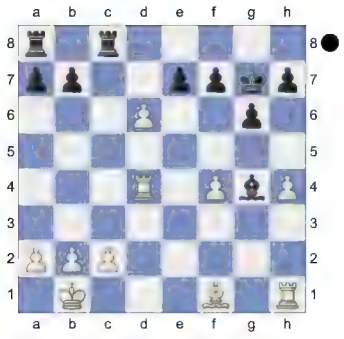


11.g4 Qa5 12.Kb1 Rfc8 13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Nxf6+
[14.Rxd2 is more complex. Nxd5 15.Bxg7 Nb4 16.Bc3]
14...Bxf6 15.Rxd2 Bxd4



16.Rxd4 Kg7N The position is equal.
[16...g5 17.h4 h6 18.Be2 Kg7 19.c3 Kf6 20.Kc2 Ke5 21.a4 Kf4 22.Kd2 Rc5 23.hxg5 hxg5 24.Rh5 Re5 Line G4-10.0-0-0]
17.h4 Kf6 18.f4 -0.88/21
[18.c3= -0.04/16]
18...Bxg4∓ 19.e5+ Kg7
[Much less strong is 19...dxe5 20.fxe5+ Kxe5 21.Rxg4±]
20.exd6



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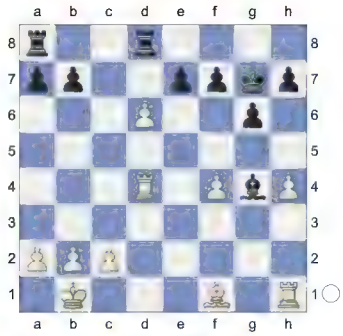
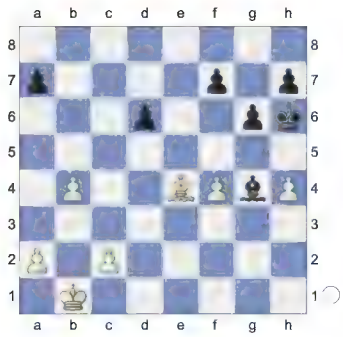


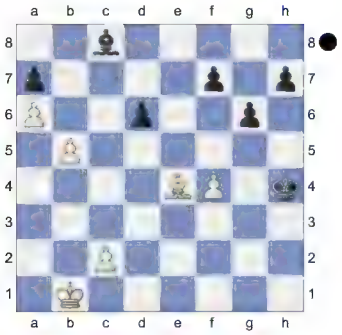
21.Bg2 Rab8 22.Re1 Rxd6 23.Rxd6 exd6 Endgame KRB-KRB **24.Re7 Kf6 25.Rc7 Re8** 0.01/22
[25...Be6∓ -0.94/21]

26.b3 -1.01/23
[26.b4= 0.01/22]
26...Re7 27.Rxe7 Kxe7 28.Bxb7 KB-KB **28...Kf6! 29.Be4 Kg7** 0.01/24
[29...Bf5∓ -0.65/24 30.Bf3 Be6]
30.b4!= Kh6
[30...f5!? 31.Bd5 h6±]

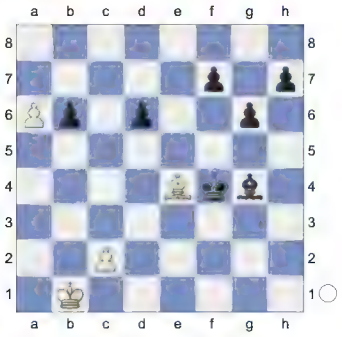


Strongly threatening ...Kh5. **31.a4 Kh5** And now ...Bc8 would win. **32.b5**

-0.45/24
[32.Bd5= -0.03/25]
32...Kxh4 -0.01/23
[32...Bc8!∓ -0.45/24 deserves consideration. 33.Kc1 Kxh4]
33.a5 -1.00/21
[33.Bd5= -0.01/23 was the only way to keep the balance.]
33...Kg3? 8.34/21
[33...Bc8∓ -1.00/21 34.a6 *(34.b6? axb6 35.axb6 f5-+)*



34...Bxa6! 35.bxa6 f5]
34.b6+- White is clearly winning.
34...axb6 35.a6 Kxf4



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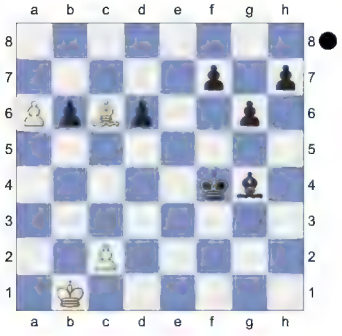

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17 **B76**
□ **Olympuscz** **2875**
■ **Stockfish161Pro** **3035**
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B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
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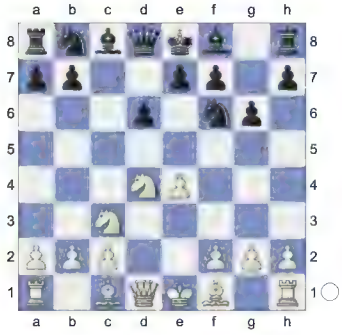
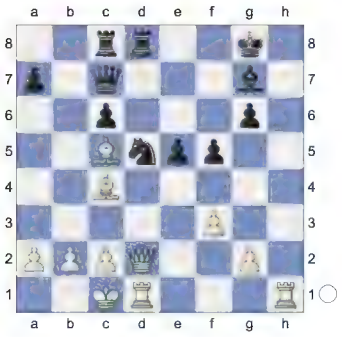


6.f3 Bg7 7.Be3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Re8 14.Ne4 Qc7 15.h4 f5

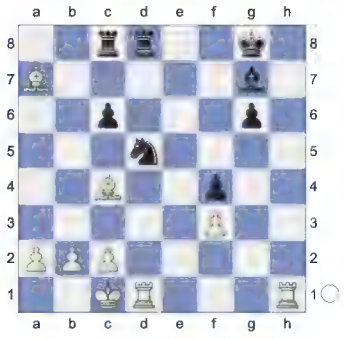
(Diagram)

16.Nd6 White is slightly better. **16...Rd8 17.Nxc8 Raxc8 18.h5 Nf4?** 2.15/20
[18...Nb6!± 0.46/18 19.Qe3 Rxd1+ 20.Kxd1 Qd8+ 21.Kc1 Bf6 22.Qb3+ *(22.hxg6 Bg5∓)* 22...Qd5]
19.Bc4++- Nd5 20.hxg6 hxg6

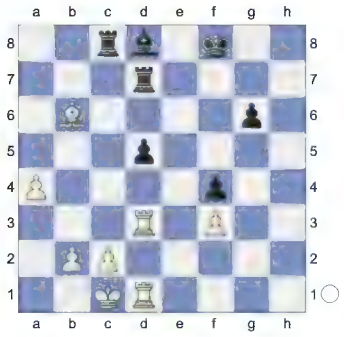


21.g4 Qf7N
[21...f4 22.Qh2 Kf7 23.g5 Rh8 24.Qe2 Rxh1 25.Rxh1 Rh8 26.Rd1 Rd8 27.Qe4 Qd7 28.Bb3 Qf5 29.Qa4 Qd7 30.c4 Qe6 31.cxd5 cxd5 32.Qxa7+ Kg8 33.Qb6 Qxb6 34.Bxb6 Rb8 35.Bxd5+ Kf8 36.Bc5+ Garski,R (2279)-Paidousis,A (1890) Kallithea 2023 Inf 73 [John Watson] 1-0 (47) Ke8 37.Bc6+ Kf7 38.Rd7+ Kg8 39.Bd5+ Kh8 40.b4 e4 41.Bxe4 Re8 42.a4 Bc3 43.a5 Rb8 44.a6 Bxb4 45.Bxb4 Rxb4 46.a7 Ra4 47.a8Q+ 0-1 (47) Doogie,W-Sah, M HCL-A1019 2002 Telechess CBM 125 [Alvarez, Roberto Gabriel]]
22.Qh2 Qf6 23.gxf5
[Weaker is 23.g5 Qxg5+ 24.Kb1 Kf7±]

23...Qxf5 24.Bxa7 A strong pair of Bishops. **24...Qf4+ 25.Qxf4 exf4**



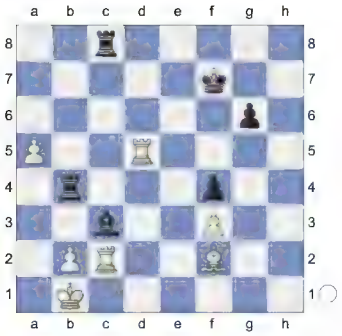
26.Bb6 Rd7 3.34/21
[26...Rb8 2.27/21 keeps fighting.]
27.a4 Bf6 28.Rd3 Kf8 29.Bxd5 cxd5 30.Rhd1 Bd8



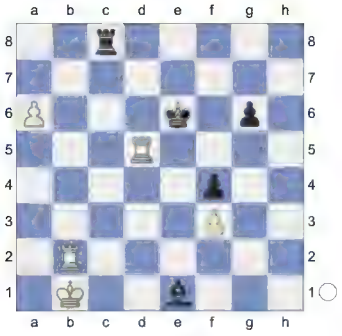
31.Bf2 Bf6 32.Rxd5 Rdc7 33.R1d2 Rc4 34.a5 Ra4 35.Kb1 Against Ra1+ **35...Kf7**

36.c3 Bxc3 37.Rc2 Rb4

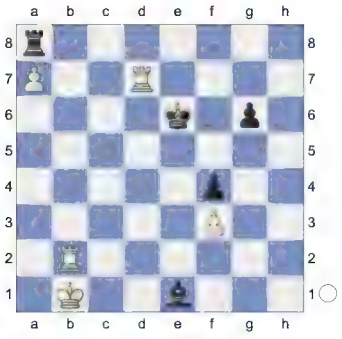
(Diagram)



38.Be1! Rxb2+ 39.Rxb2 And now Bxc3 would win. **39...Bxe1** Endgame KRR-KRB **40.a6 Ke6**

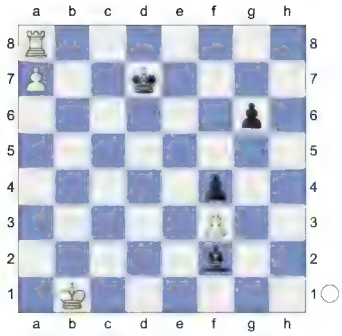


41.Rd4 Kf6 42.a7 Rb8 would kill now. **42...Ra8 43.Rd7 Ke6**

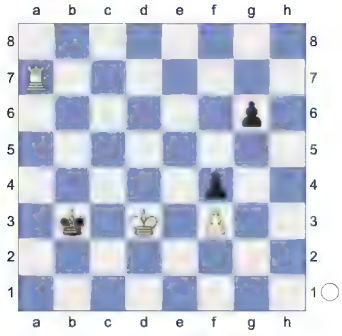


44.Rb8! Kxd7
[44...Bf2 45.Rxa8]
45.Rxa8 Threatening mate with Rg8. KR-KB **45...Bf2**

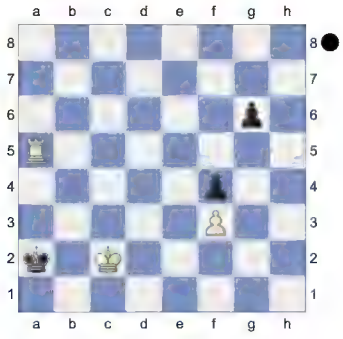
(Diagram)



46.Rg8 Bxa7 White mates. **47.Rg7+ Kc6 48.Rxa7** KR-KPP **48...Kb5 49.Kc2 Kb4 50.Kd3 Kb3**



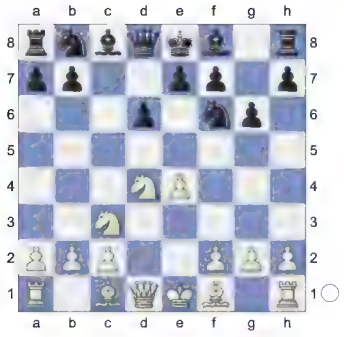
51.Ra5 Kb2 52.Rg5 Ka1 53.Kc2 Ka2 54.Ra5#



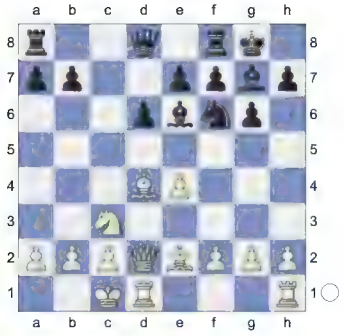
Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.28 (precise)
1-0

18 **B72**
□ **Supertactic91** **2873**
■ **Loin Sn** **2973**
Blitz 11.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

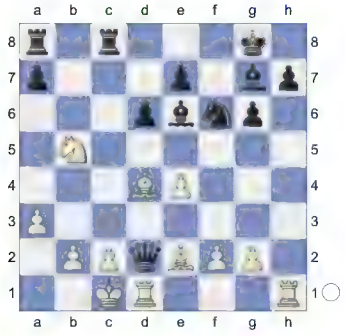
Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.Be2 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6

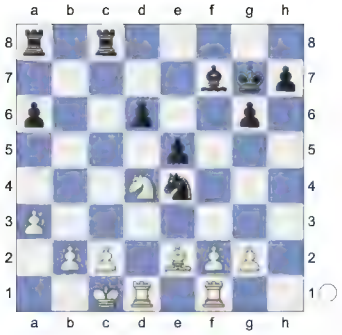


11.h4
[11.Kb1 Qa5 12.a3 Rfc8 13.h4 h5 14.Qg5 b5 15.Qxb5 Qc7 16.Qa4 Rab8 17.Bb5 Qb7 18.Qxa7 Qxa7 19.Bxa7 Rb7 20.Bd4 Rxc3 21.Bxc3 Rxb5 22.f3 Nd7 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Rd4 f5 25.Re1 Kf6 Karthikeyan,M (2612)-Tahbaz,A (2482) Abu Dhabi UAE 2019 [Chris Ward] 1-0 (54)]
11...Qa5 0.70/19
[11...b5= 0.15/18]
12.a3N 0.33/19
[⌓12.Qg5! 0.70/19 Qc7 *(12...b5 13.Qxb5 Qc7 14.e5 Ne8 15.exd6 Nxd6 16.Qc5 Qxc5 17.Bxc5 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rfc8 19.Bxd6 exd6 20.Rxd6 Rxc3 21.h5 Rc5 22.Kb2 Rf5 23.Rb1* ½-½ (23) Shirov,A-Topalov,V Madrid 1996 MBM: Sicilian Dragon [Carsten Hansen]*; 12...Qxg5+ 13.hxg5 Ng4 14.Bxg4 Bxg4 15.f3 Be6 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Rfc8 18.Bf2 Rc7 19.Rh4 Rac8 20.c3 Rc4 21.Rxc4 Rxc4 22.Re1 Kf8 23.Bxa7 Ra4 24.Bb6 Rxa2 25.Re4 f5 26.Rb4 Ra1+ 27.Kd2* Hamdouchi,H (2600)-Konguvel,P (2416) La Massana AND 2010 [Jones, Gawain] 1-0 (45) *)* 13.e5 dxe5 14.Bxe5]
12...Rfc8 13.h5 b5 14.hxg6
White is slightly better.
[14.Qg5 is more complex. Rab8 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.f4]
14...fxg6 15.Nxb5 0.01/19
[15.Qg5± 0.42/19 deserves consideration.]
15...Qxd2+=

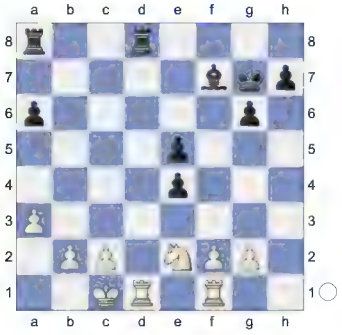


16.Rxd2 Nxe4 17.Rdd1 a6 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nd4 Bf7 20.Rhf1 e5 0.68/21
[20...Ra7= 0.06/18]

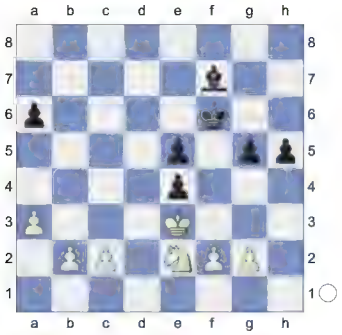
(Diagram)



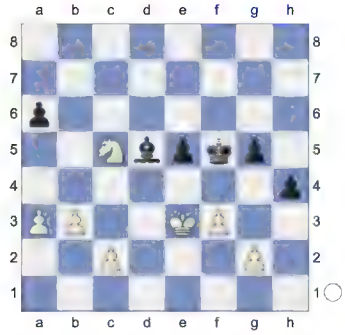
21.Bf3!± d5 22.Bxe4 dxe4 23.Ne2 Rd8 24.Nc3! Rd4 1.49/19
[⌓24...e3 1.18/20]
25.Ne2 0.01/20
[25.Rfe1± 1.49/19]
25...Rdd8=



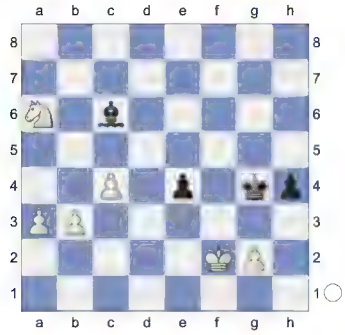
26.Rxd8! Rxd8 27.Rd1 Rxd1+ 28.Kxd1± Endgame And now Kd2 would win. KB-KN **28...Kf6?** 1.92/22
[28...e3± 0.38/22 29.f3 *(29.fxe3 Bd5±)* 29...Kf6]
29.Kd2+- g5 30.Ke3 h5



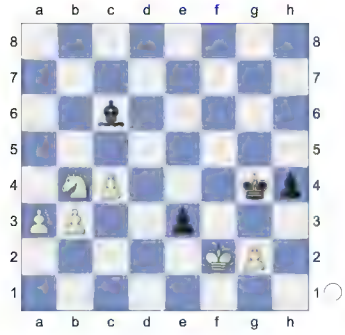
31.Ng3
[Stronger than 31.Kxe4 Bg6+ 32.Ke3 Bxc2=]
31...h4 32.Nxe4+ Kg6 33.f3 Be6
34.b3 Kf5? 3.32/23
[34...Bd5 1.70/21 was called for. 35.b4 Ba8]
35.Nc5 Bd5



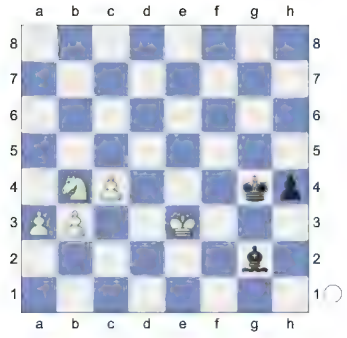
36.c4 Bc6 37.Nxa6 Threatens to win with b4. **37...g4 38.fxg4+** 1.54/24
[38.Nb4+- 3.21/21 Bb7 39.Nd5]
38...Kxg4± 39.Kf2 e4



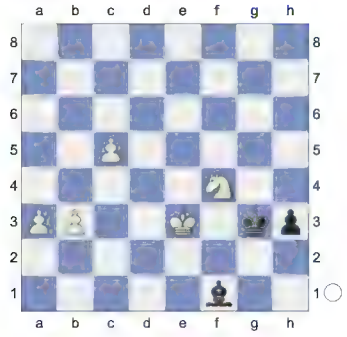
40.Nb4 1.45/23
[40.Nc5!+- 1.94/27]
40...e3+



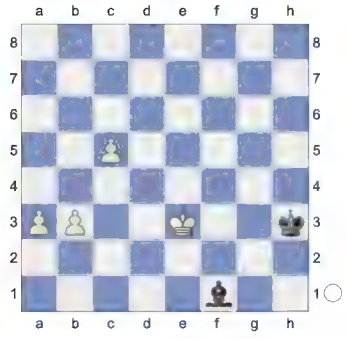
41.Kxe3 0.78/23
[White should play 41.Kg1 1.10/25 Kg3 42.Nc2 *(42.Nxc6? e2 43.Kh1 e1Q#)*]
41...Bxg2



42.Nd3! Nf4 is the strong threat.
42...Kg3 10.14/24
[42...h3± 0.89/22 43.Nf2+ Kf5 44.Nxh3 Bxh3]
43.Nf4 Bf1 44.c5 3.27/21
[⌓44.a4 7.88/23]
44...h3? 10.18/22
[44...Bg2 3.27/21 45.a4 *(45.Nxg2? h3-+)* 45...Bc6]

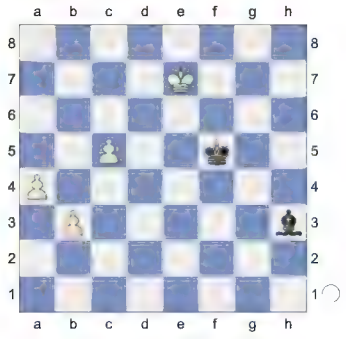


45.Nxh3!+- Kxh3
[45...Kh4 46.Nf2]

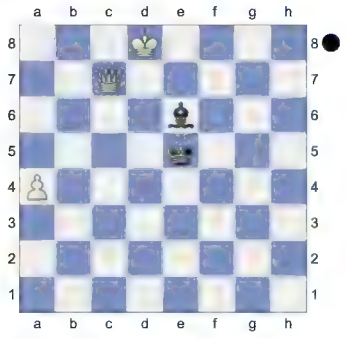


KB-K3P **46.a4 Kg4 47.Ke4 Kg5**
48.Ke5 White threatens Kd6 and mate.
48...Kg6 49.Ke6 Intending b4 and mate.

49...Bh3+ 50.Ke7 Kf5



51.c6 #19/22
[51.Kd6+- 19.64/21 Bg4 52.c6]
51...Ke5 52.c7 Be6 53.Kd8
Threatening mate with a5. **53...Bxb3**
54.c8Q Be6 55.Qc7+



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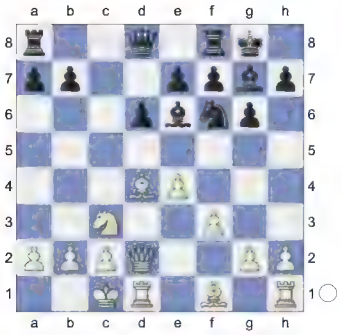
19 **B76**
□ **Keepging002** **2868**
■ **Loin Sn** **2984**
Blitz 04.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6



11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.exd5 Qd7N

[12...Qc7

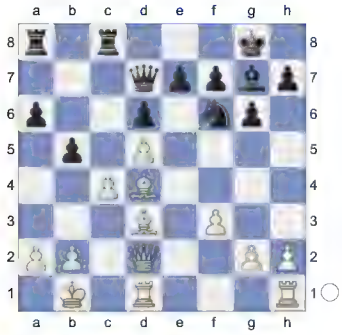
A) 13.Kb1 Rfc8 14.c4 *(14.Rc1 a6 15.g4 e5 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.Bh3 Re8 18.g5 Nh5 19.Bg4 Rad8 20.c4 Bxd4 21.Qxd4 Ng7 22.h4 Qf7 23.Rhd1 Nf5 24.Qf2 d5* B5 Bd6-2) Black Develops 8...b6 / 10 ChessPub Guide 2009 CBM 139 Extra [Lane, CCYB6]*)* 14...b5 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Rc1 Qb7 17.Be2 bxc4 18.Bxc4 Rc5 19.Bb3 Rb5 20.Rc2 Rb8 21.Rhc1 a5 22.Rc7 Qa8 23.Qf2 Kg7 24.R1c6 Rxb3 25.axb3 Rxb3 26.Rb6 a4 27.Rcc6 Qa5 Fontaine,R (2531)-Zvjaginsev, V (2650) Calvia 2004 (33);

B) 13.g4 Rac8 14.c3 Qa5 15.g5 Nh5 16.Bxg7 Nxg7 17.Kb1 e5 18.dxe6 fxe6 19.Bh3 Rxf3 20.Bg4 Rf7 21.h4 d5 22.h5 gxh5 23.Bxh5 Nxh5 24.Rxh5 Qa4 25.Rh6 Qe4+ 26.Ka1 Rcf8 27.g6 Henzler,S-Martens,M Lucerne 1978 Telechess CBM 89 [Loh] ½-½ (33)]

13.Kb1 Rfc8 14.c4 a6 White has an edge. **15.Bd3** -0.03/21

[15.Bb6!± 0.37/22]

15...b5=



16.cxb5 axb5 17.Rc1 -0.78/22

[17.Bc2!= -0.01/22]

17...Qb7 -0.20/22

[17...Nxd5 18.Bxg7 Rxc1+ 19.Rxc1=]

[17...Rxc1+!∓ -0.78/22 18.Rxc1 Qb7 19.Bxf6 Bxf6]

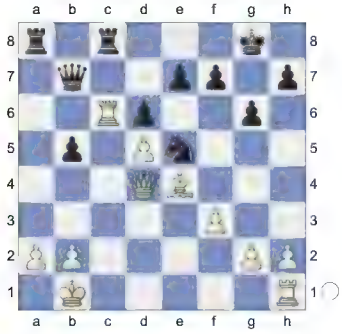
18.Be4 -1.43/22

[18.Rc6!= -0.20/22]

18...Nd7 -0.34/22

[18...Nxe4∓ -1.43/22 19.fxe4 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Ra4 21.Rxc8+ Qxc8]

19.Rc6 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Ne5



21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Rc1 Rxc1+! 23.Kxc1 b4 24.Kc2 Qb5 25.Kb3 Nd7

(Diagram)

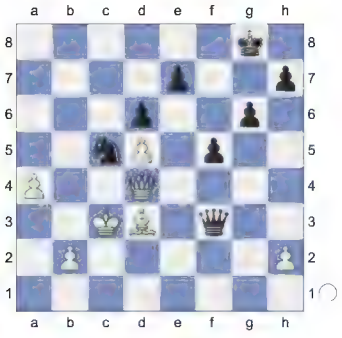
aiming for ...Nc5+. **26.Qxb4 Nc5+ 27.Kc3 Qe2 28.Qd4 Qxg2 29.a4** -1.22/23

[29.b4= -0.20/21]

29...f5∓

[29...Qxh2 30.b4 e5 31.dxe6 Nxe6 32.Qd2=]

30.Bd3 Qxf3



31.a5 -1.94/25

[31.Kc2∓ -1.59/23 was worth a try.]

31...Qd1-+ 32.b4 Qa1+? -0.07/21

[32...e5 33.dxe6 Qb3+ 34.Kd2 Nxd3 35.Qf6= *(35.Qxd3 Qxb4+ 36.Qc3 Qf4+ 37.Kd1 Qxh2=)*]

[32...Qb3+!-+ -2.50/24 33.Kd2 Nxd3 34.Qxd3 Qxb4+ 35.Qc3 Qb5]

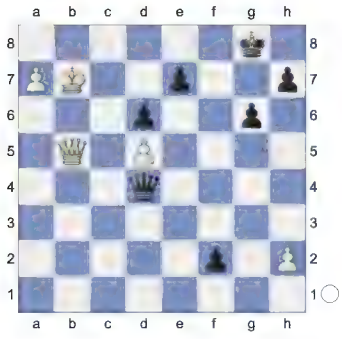
33.Kc4⇄ White has counterplay. Really sharp! **33...Qa2+ 34.Kb5 Qa4+ 35.Kb6** Strongly threatening Bb5. **35...Nxd3** 2.37/23

[35...Nd7+!= 0.01/22 and Black is okay. 36.Ka6 *(36.Ka7 Kf7=)* 36...Nc5+! 37.Kb6 Nd7+ 38.Ka6 *(38.Ka7 Ne5=)* 38...Nc5+! 39.Kb6]

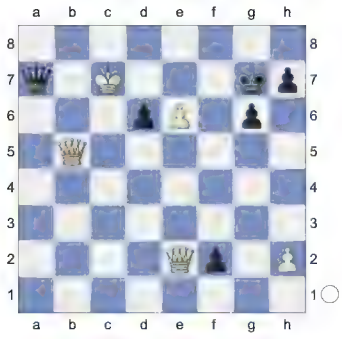
36.Qxd3+- Qxb4+= 8.98/22 Endgame KQ-KQ

[36...Qe8 1.95/21 37.a6 Qd8+ 38.Kb5 f4]

37.Qb5+- Qd4+ 38.Kb7 f4 39.a6 f3 40.a7 f2



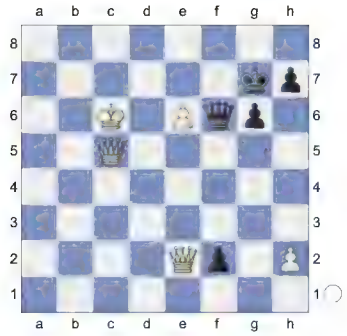
41.a8Q+ Kg7 42.Qa2 e5 43.dxe6 White wants to mate with Qab2. **43...Qe4+ 44.Kc7 Qe3 45.Qae2 Qa7+**



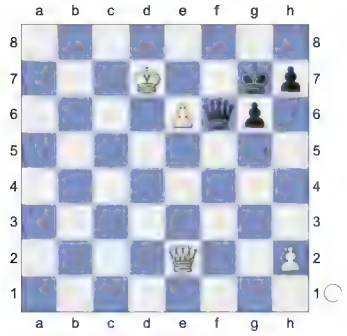
46.Kxd6 Qd4+ 47.Kc6 Qc3+ 48.Kd7 Qd4+ 49.Kc6? 0.01/16

[49.Ke8 #10/19 Kh6 50.Qf3 f1B 51.Qfxf1 g5 52.Qh3+ Qh4 53.Qxh4+ gxh4 54.Qf5 h3 55.Ke7 Kg7 56.Qf6+ Kg8 57.Qf8#]

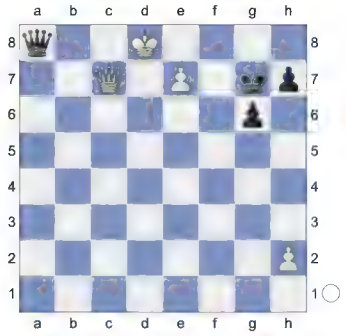
49...Qc3+!= 50.Qc5 Qf6



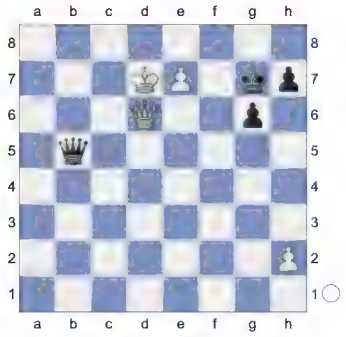
51.Qce5 12.05/20
[⌓51.Qcxf2 #8/18 Qc3+ 52.Qc5 Qf6 53.Qee5 Kh6 54.Qce3+ Kg7 55.Qa7+ Kh6 56.Qxf6 Kh5 57.Qxh7+ Kg4 58.Qhh4#]
51...f1Q+- 52.Qxf6+? 0.01/26
[White has to play 52.Qxf1+- 12.86/26 Qxe5 53.Qf7+ Kh6 54.Qf8+ Kg5 55.Qc5]
52...Qxf6 KQ-KQ **53.Kd6** Threatens to win with Qe5. **53...Qd4+ 54.Kc6 Qc3+ 55.Kd7 Qf6** 1.06/24
[55...Qd4+= 0.01/26 keeps the balance. 56.Kc6 Qa4+ 57.Kd6 Qa3+ 58.Kd5 Qa5+ 59.Kd6 *(59.Kc6 Qa8+ 60.Kc7 Qa5+ 61.Kd7 Qa7+ 62.Ke8 Qb8+ 63.Kd7 Qa7+ 64.Ke8 Qb8+ 65.Kd7 Qa7+=)* 59...Qa3+ 60.Kd7 Qa7+ 61.Ke8 Qb8+ 62.Kd7 Qa7+ 63.Ke8 Qb8+ 64.Kd7 Qa7+]



56.e7 -0.01/30
[56.Qd3± 1.06/24 e7 would kill now. Qa1 57.Qd6 Qa4+ 58.Qc6 Qd4+ 59.Qd6 Qa4+ 60.Ke7]
56...Qf5+ 57.Qe6 Qd3+ 58.Qd6 Qb5+ 0.46/30
[58...Qf5+!= 0.01/33 59.Qe6 Qb5+ 60.Qc6 Qf5+ 61.Kd8 Qg5 62.Qc3+ Kg8]
59.Kd8 0.01/24
[59.Qc6± 0.46/30 Qf5+ 60.Kd8]
59...Qa5+= 60.Qc7 Qa8+

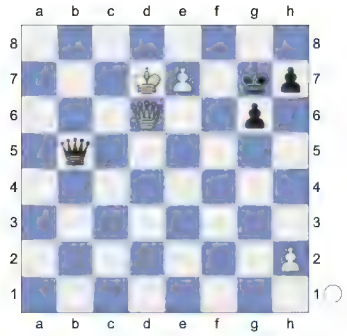


61.Kd7 Qd5+ 62.Qd6 Qb5+ 1.80/30
[62...Qb7+= 0.00/26 63.Ke6 *(63.Qc7 Qd5+ 64.Ke8 Qg8+ 65.Kd7 Qd5+=)* 63...Qe4+ 64.Qe5+ Qxe5+ 65.Kxe5 Kf7]



63.Qc6!+- Qd3+ #12/21
[63...Qf5+± 0.97/24 64.Kd8 Qg5]
64.Qd6? -0.01/34
[64.Kc7 #12/21 mates Qe3 65.e8Q Qxe8 66.Qxe8 Kf6 67.Kd6 Kf5 68.Qe5+ Kg4 69.Qg3+ Kf5 70.Qf3+ Kg5 71.Ke5 Kh4 72.Qg3+ Kh5 73.Kf6 h6 74.Qh3#]
64...Qb5+

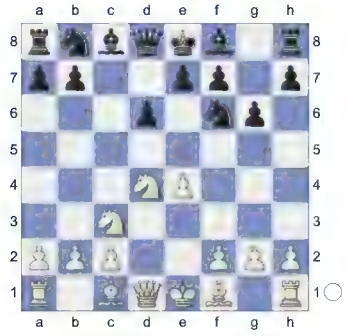
(Diagram)



Quite a comeback for White.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.75
½-½

20 **B76**
□ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2862**
■ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2749**
Magnus-Alireza 27th Feb blitz (30)
[Chris Ward]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.Nf3 g6?!
Funnily enough this is a tricky move order (in particular actually 2 Nf3 d6 3 Nc3) that I mentioned as far back as my first Winning With The Dragon book.
[or 3...Nc6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 g6 avoid what now could have happened.]
4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4
[Specifically I advised that Black had to be more careful than that because of the possibility of 5.Qxd4! When faced with this position as a youngster (and hence why I proposed Dragon players avoid it in the future!) after some thought I played the grim looking 5...f6 to avoid Nf6 6.e5! which I note now has scored over 80% for White in practice. Regards Nc6 at the very least after 7.Bb5 dxe5 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8 White has 9.Bxc6 bxc6 10.Nxe5 although it's possible he has even better.]
In any instance at the drop of a hat White rejects all that, possibly because he has analysed it in the past at a super deep level and decided that Black is fine or possibly because he was moving so quickly that he gave little or no consideration to the while option. My money is on the latter! **5...Nf6**



6.f3 Bg7 7.Be3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.g4 Be6 10.h4 Anyone who has ever watched Magnus's blitz games will know that the World Champion doesn't exactly panic too much from a theoretical perspective. Sure he doesn't want to start with a bad position but ultimately it is the final winning outcome that is his concern and in the fast format of the game, he generally isn't too worried about how he gets there!
[Nevertheless in a tussle between two such high profile players, I have to take this game seriously and allow the paranoia to kick in over White opting for the text rather than the well analysed on this site 10.Nxe6 especially with Black responding with]
10...h5?!
[when in practice Black has scored well with the logical (reacting to opponent's wing play with action in

the centre) 10...d5! On that of course you will find plenty in the archives. 11.e5 Nxe5 12.h5 Nxf3+ 13.Nxf3 Bxg4 14.h6 Bh8 15.Ne5 Bf5 16.Bd4 Ne4 17.Nxe4 Bxe4 18.Rg1 Qd6 19.Ng4 e5 20.Bc3 Qe6 21.Nf2 Bf5 22.Bg2 d4 23.Bb4 e4 24.Bxf8 e3 25.Qe2 exf2+ Azarov,S (2530)-Ganguly,S (2542) Nakhchivan 88/(309) 2003 CI1-130 [Azarov,Sergei] (66)]

11.Nxe6N

[There aren't a lot of practical outings of this position but a notable one is: 11.g5 0.21/22 11.Nxe6 0.64 Nd7

A) Upon 12.Nxe6 fxe6 definitely possible is 13 f4!? to keep the black knights at bay but 13.Bh3 -0.32/21 *(13.f4± 0.33/20)* 13...Nde5!∓ 14.Bxe6+ Kh7 feels comfortable for Black with a safe looking king.;

B) 12.f4 Against Nde5 12...Nb6 0.81/20 *(12...Bxd4= -0.01/18* keeps the balance. *13.Bxd4 Nxd4 14.Qxd4 Qa5)* 13.f5 Bd7 14.Nxc6 0.31/19 *(⩲14.0-0-0 0.64/17)* 14...bxc6± 15.Bd4 gxf5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.0-0-0 fxe4 18.Nxe4 and good compensation for the pawn in Morris,M (2295)-Shahade,J Concord 1995.]

[The immediate 11.gxh5 may transpose with however

A) 11...Nxh5= 0.11/21 12.Nxe6 *(12.Nb3 Ne5 13.Be2 Qd7 14.Rg1 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.Bh6 Qh3 17.Bxg7 Qxh4+ 18.Kd1 Nxg7 19.Qg2 Qf4 20.Nd2 Ba6 21.Nd5 Qe5 22.Qg5 Qxg5 23.Rxg5 Rae8 24.f4 Nh5 25.f5 Kg7 26.Nf3 e6* Lutz,R (1067)-Korolev,A (1518) Baku 2023 The Week in Chess 273 [John Watson] 0-1 (31) *)* 12...fxe6;

B) 11...Nxd4 0.43/21 12.Bxd4± Nxh5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 being another avenue open to Black.]

11...fxe6 12.gxh5?!

[This feels unnecessarily committal to me with the flexible 12.0-0-0!? preferable. Then hxg4 13.fxg4 *(Intriguing and more ambitious then is 13.f4!?* 0.54/18 13.fxg4 0.09 with very reasonable play for the pawn.*)* 13...Nxg4 14.Bh3 Nxe3 15.Bxe6+ Kh7 16.h5 is dangerous. Black needs to keep that h-file closed and is worse but still in the game after g5! 17.Qxe3]

[Alternatively 12.g5 Nd7 and now 13.f4! would transpose to above notes. Inhibits Nce5.]

12...Nxh5 White is slightly better.

13.0-0-0

[Upon 13.Rg1 -0.14/20 13.f4 0.30 Black has Ne5 guarding g6 whilst handily eyeing up f3.]

13...Qa5! Threatening ...Bxc3.

[Now though 13...Rxf3?! 0.51/21 13...Qa5 0.02 14.Rg1! could be awkward for Black who has to deal with Rxg6 as well as the simple Be2. Instead Black rightly activates his queen, far more effective with the Dragon bishop also focused on c3.]

14.Rg1

[14.Bc4!? Bxc3 15.Bxe6+ Kh7 16.Qxc3 Qxc3 17.bxc3 Rxf3 18.Bg5 would be dynamically balanced. White has the bishop pair on an open board but with a significantly worse pawn structure.]

14...Kh7 0.48/23 Offering White options that needn't be given. Instead accurate is

[14...Bxc3! White can't get away with keeping queens on now given the strength of 15 bxc3?! Ne5! and so 15.Qxc3 -0.42/18 *(15.Rxg6+? -1.91/21* 15.bxc3 -0.16 simply drops material to *Kf7; 15.bxc3=* -0.01/23 was preferrable. *Ne5 16.Kb1)* 15...Qxc3∓ 16.bxc3 Ne5 when twinned with the f-file rook, the black knights clamp key squares. Now for example 17.Bd4 Kf7! 18.Bxe5 dxe5 19.Rd7 Rab8 would, with . . .Rfc8 or d8 and ...Nf4 soon, nicely favour Black.]

[14...Bxc3= -0.04/24 15.bxc3 *(15.Qxc3 Qxc3 16.bxc3 Kh7∓)* 15...Ne5]

15.f4 0.16/20 Keeping the black knight out of e5. Instead

[15.Qg2 Ne5 16.Qg5 Rac8 (naturally teeing up ... Rxc3) 17.f4 Bh6! 18.Qxe7+ Rf7 19.Qxe6 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Nxf4 definitely offers some reasonable compensation for the exchange with 21.Qxd6?? -3.53/23 *(21.Qb3!± 0.67/22* was the only good move. *Ne2+ 22.Bxe2 Bxe3+ 23.Kb2 Bxg1 24.Rxg1)* 21...Qxc3 practically winning for Black.]

[15.Qg2± 0.48/23 might be stronger. Rf6 16.Kb1]

15...Bxc3=

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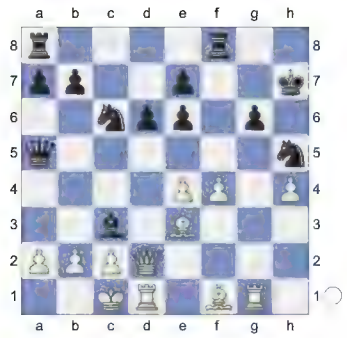


16.Qxc3 -0.90/18

[Very surprising. Clearly the most threatening option now is 16.bxc3!? The white king isn't in too much danger itself whereas preserving the queens is surely the way for White to go regards exploiting the black king position. For example after. Strongly threatening Bd3. Qxa2 0.96/20 *(16...Rf6± 0.32/22)* 17.Qg2± Rg8 0.80/22 *(17...Rf6= 0.28/22)* 18.Qg5 suddenly 19 f4-f5 is a big threat whilst a Bd3 would help guard c2 and potentially cast further scrutiny against g6.]

[16.bxc3= 0.10/22 remains equal. Rf6 17.Bd3]

16...Qxc3∓

[16...Qxa2 17.f5 gxf5 18.Bc4 Qa1+ 19.Kd2=]

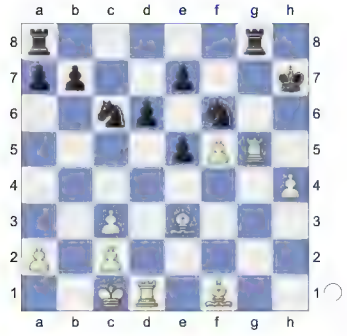
[16...Nxf4 17.Qxa5 Nxa5 18.e5=]

17.bxc3 e5?! 0.61/24

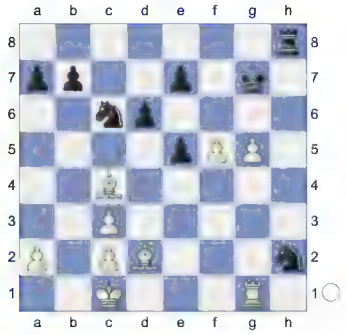
[In contrast the endgame scenario is fine for Black and I can't see any good reason why the obvious 17...Nxf4 wasn't played here. If required Black could have secured his knight on f4 with the text after grabbing the pawn. I just can't see what Black was worried about or even an incorrectly imagined ghost. I'm totally flummoxed!]

[Black should play 17...Nxf4∓ -0.73/22 18.Kb2 Rac8]

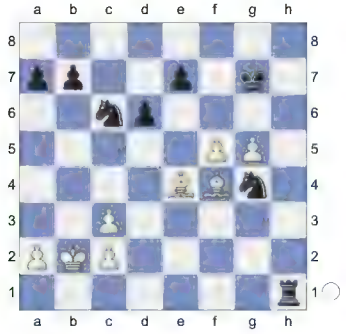
18.f5!±
[18.fxe5 0.01/22 18.f5 0.64 Nxe5 would be more than fine for Black and so the text is definitely White's best option.]
18...gxf5 19.exf5 Rg8!
[Of course not 19...Rxf5?? 5.10/21 19...Rg8 1.02 20.Bd3]
20.Rg5 0.48/23 White knows that if he can de-isolate those kingside pawns then they might become a serious threat.
[20.Bg5± 0.86/19]
20...Nf6? 1.07/20
[Regards my last comment, that remains true but nevertheless Black could have got away with 20...Rxg5 21.hxg5 because of Ng3! with 22.Bd3 And now Bf2 would win. Rf8 23.f6+! e4 dissolving the troublesome pairing. Alas with the new knight placement that is something that can no longer be achieved.]
[20...Rxg5± 0.48/23 21.hxg5 Ng3]



21.Bc4! &Bianco is more active.
21...Rxg5
[Given 21...Rg7 2.29/24 21...Rxg5 1.09 22.Rdg1 , an unavoidable trade.]
22.hxg5
[Much weaker is 22.Bxg5?! Rf8=]
22...Ng4 1.91/22
[22...Ne4± 1.39/24]
23.Rh1++- Kg7 24.Bd2 Preserving the bishop with Rh4 now a serious threat to help trap the caught behind enemy lines black knight **24...Rh8** 2.60/23 Inhibits Rh4.
[24...e4± 1.59/23 25.Bf4 Nce5]
25.Rg1 Nh2



26.Bd5 The h2-knight is a bit of a lemon! Inhibits Nf3. **26...Rh3** 3.08/22
[⌓26...Rh5 1.94/21 27.Rh1 Nd8]
27.Rh1 Rh8 28.Kb2 e4 3.83/21
[⌓28...Ng4 2.45/18 29.Rxh8 Kxh8]
29.Bf4 Ng4 30.Bxe4 Rxh1



31.Bxh1 Endgame An ultra attractive bishop pair and an extra pawn (well sort of!) the rest is just a matter of technique. KBB-KNN **31...Nf2 32.Bd5 Nd1+ 33.Kb3 Na5+ 34.Kb4 b6** 9.07/23
[34...Nc6+ 3.51/22 35.Kc4 Na5+ 36.Kd4 Nb2]
35.f6+? 2.72/20 Although this wasn't necessary now!
[35.c4 9.07/23 Nf2 36.Bf3]
35...exf6

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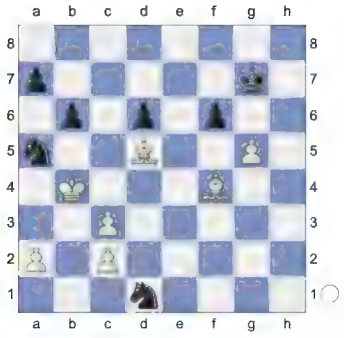
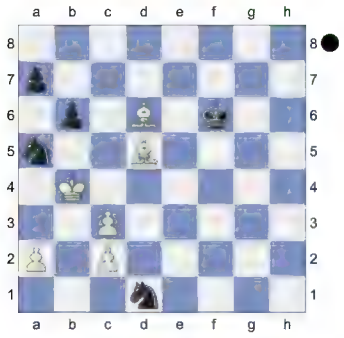
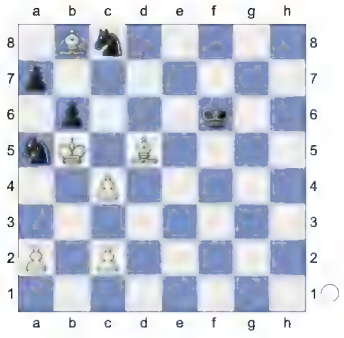


36.gxf6+
[Much less strong is 36.Bxd6?! Ne3 37.gxf6+ Kxf6±]
36...Kxf6 37.Bxd6



c4 is the strong threat. This bishop pair is nice. **37...Ne3 38.c4** Hoping for Bf4. **38...Nf5?** 6.00/23 Black cannot hold the game after this.
[38...Nxc2+± 1.53/22 39.Kb5 Kf5]
39.Bb8 Ne7 40.Kb5 Inhibits Nac6. **40...Nc8**



41.Bxa7! Cute! **41...Nxa7+**
[41...Nd6+ 42.Kxb6]
42.Kxb6 N7c6 43.Bxc6 Nxc4+ KB-KN **44.Kc5 Na3 45.c4 Ke7**
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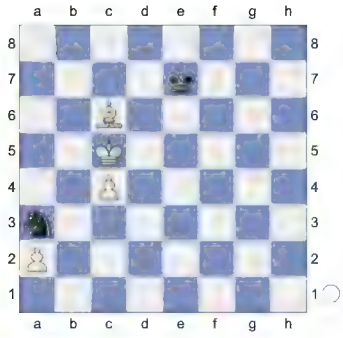
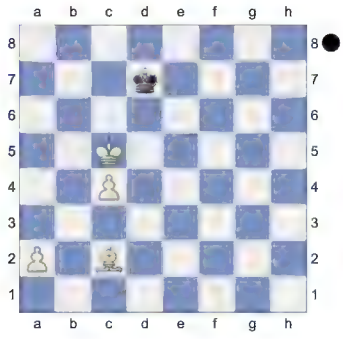


46.Bd5 10.16/22
[⌓46.Be4 #18/24 Ke6 47.Kb4 Kd6 48.Kxa3 Ke5 49.Bd5 Kf5 50.Kb4 Ke5 51.a4]
46...Kd7 47.Be4 White wants to mate with Kb4. **47...Nc2 48.Bxc2**



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1-0

21 **B75**
□ **Mrdalica** **2828**
■ **Winx,M** **2945**
Blitz 20.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

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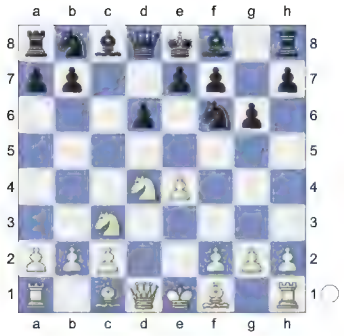


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 h5 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.Bb3

[10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.Bb3 a6 12.Kb1 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 b5 14.Nd5 0-0 15.Bb6 Qe8 16.Nc7 Qd8 17.Nd5 Qe8 18.Nc7 Qd8 19.Nd5 Qe8 20.Nxf6+ Bxf6 21.h3 Be6 22.Bxe6 fxe6 23.g4 h4 24.Rde1 Qc6 Swara,R (1456)-Sriiyukthaa,M (1466) Pune 2025 ½-½ (48)]

10...Na5

11.h3N

[11.0-0-0 Nxb3+ 12.cxb3 a5 13.Kb1 a4 14.bxa4 Bxa4 15.Nxa4 Rxa4 16.Nb5 0-0 17.e5 Nd7 18.exd6 exd6 19.Qxd6 Qa5 20.Qxd7 Rxa2 21.Bd4 Qa4 22.Na3 Qxd7 23.Bxg7 Qf5+ 24.Kxa2 Kxg7 25.Rhe1 b5 Seligo (2292)-Video (2453) Liberec 2015 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1]

[11.0-0 Rc8 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Qc7 14.Qd3 Nc4 15.Ne6 fxe6 16.dxe6 Bxe6 17.Qxg6+ Kd7 18.Qxg7 Rhg8 19.Qd4 a6 20.Rf2 h4 21.Qxh4 Constantin,D (2534)-5.a3 (2613) Montreal 2003 Telechess CBM 89 [Leach]]

11...h4 12.0-0-0 White is slightly better.

12...Rb8 13.Kb1 b5 14.f4 -0.98/23

[14.e5= 0.28/19 keeps the balance. dxe5 15.Ndxb5!]

14...b4∓ 15.Nd5 Nxe4

16.Qe1 f5 -0.27/21

[16...Nxb3∓ -0.97/21 17.Nxb3 Ng3]

17.Nxb4= Nxb3 18.cxb3 Hoping for Nbc6. **18...Qa5** 0.39/23

[18...Qc8= -0.14/20]

19.Ndc2 -0.45/19

[19.Ndc6± 0.39/23 Bxc6 20.Nxc6 Qxe1 21.Rhxe1]

19...Rc8 20.Bd4 e5

21.fxe5 -1.18/23

[⌓21.Be3 -0.74/20]

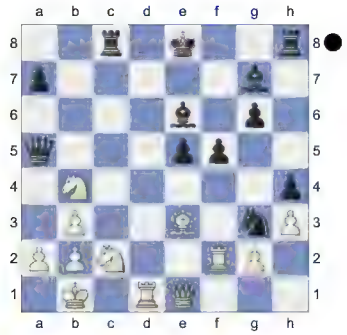
21...dxe5∓ 22.Be3 -1.60/22

[⌓22.Bf2 -1.19/21]

22...Be6 23.Rf1 Ng3 -0.74/21

[⌓23...0-0 -1.48/19 White must now prevent ...Qc7. 24.Nd5 Qxe1 25.Rfxe1 Rf7]

24.Rf2 -1.18/22
[⌓24.Rg1 -0.74/21]



24...e4 0.25/20
[Black should play 24...0-0!∓ -1.18/22 And now ...Rfe8 would win. 25.Rfd2 f4]
25.Bd4 -0.91/21
[25.Nd4= 0.25/20 Bxd4 26.Rxd4]
25...0-0↑

Black has strong initiative. **26.Rfd2** -2.05/21
[26.Bxg7∓ -1.00/20 was worth a try. Kxg7 27.Qe3]
26...f4 ...e3 is the strong threat. **27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Rd6 Bf5** Strongly threatening ...e3. **29.Nd4?** -3.21/22
[29.R1d5∓ -1.46/20 Rc5 30.Nd4]
29...e3+-+ 30.Ka1 e2

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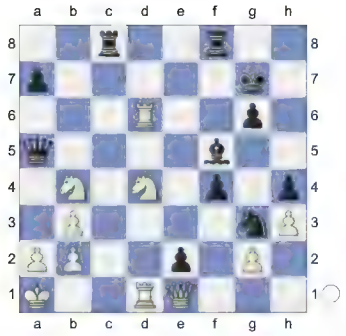
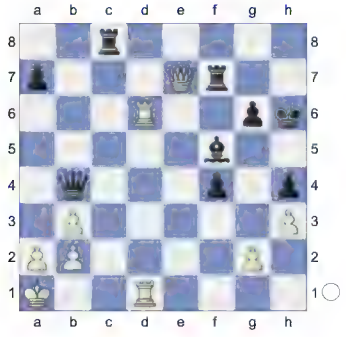
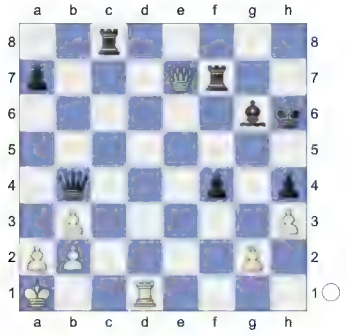


31.Nxe2 Nxe2 32.Qxe2 Qxb4 33.Qe5+ Kh6 34.Qe7 -3.58/23
[⌓34.R6d4 -2.35/25 Qc5 35.Qxf4+ g5 36.Qd2]
34...Rf7?? 4.60/24



35.Rxg6+!+- Discovered Attack
35...Bxg6



36.Qxb4 Rc2 37.Rg1 Rf5 5.81/24
[⌓37...Re2 3.92/20 38.a3 Re4]
38.Qe7 White is clearly winning.
38...Kh5 39.Qe4 Rf2 40.Qe1

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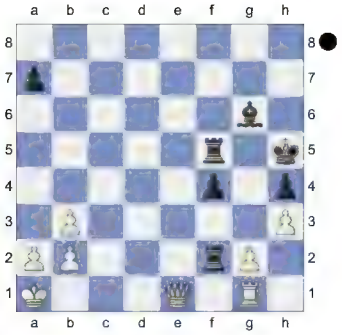

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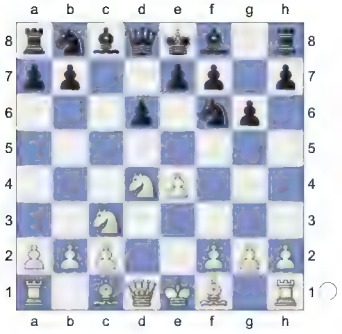
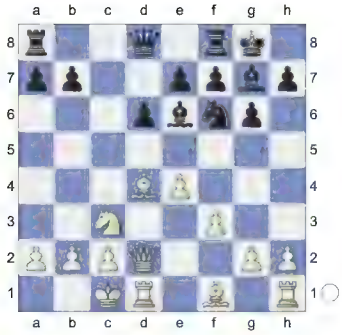
22 **B76**
□ **Goodgoodchess** **2814**
■ **Loin Sn** **2980**
Blitz 05.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
Things can only get better!: What else can you say when the offhand suggestion of 14...fxg6 appears to be scoring 0% !!! **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6

(Diagram)



11.Kb1 Re8 12.h4 Qa5 13.h5 Rec8 14.a3 -0.19/18
[14.h6± 0.64/20 Bh8 15.a3]
14...Rab8 0.92/20
[14...Nxh5= -0.19/18 remains equal. 15.Bxg7 Kxg7]
15.hxg6 0.44/21
[15.h6± 0.92/20 Bh8 16.Ne2 Qxd2 17.Rxd2]
15...fxg6 1.28/18
[15...hxg6± 0.44/21 16.Bb5 a6]

16.Bd3 0.62/18
[16.Qe3± 1.28/18]
16...b5 1.46/20
[16...Bf7± 0.62/18 17.Qe3 *(17.Qf2 Rc6 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Qxd5 20.Bxg7 Qa2+ 21.Kc1 Kxg7 22.Qh4 h5 23.Qxe7 Qa1+ 24.Kd2 Qxb2 25.g4 Re8 26.Qg5 Qc3+ 27.Kc1 Re2* ½-½ (27) Daneshvar,B (2510)-Theodorou,N (2584) Chess.com INT 2023) 17...b5 18.e5 b4 19.exf6 bxc3 20.Rxh7 Rxb2+ 21.Kc1 Rb1+ 22.Kxb1 Rb8+ 0-1 (22) Agdestein,S

(2600)-Hector,J (2540) Reykjavik 1995 CBM 47 [Ftacnik]]

17.Qg5± Bf7 ...e5 is the strong threat.

18.Nd5 Qd8N

[18...Bxd5 19.exd5 Rc4 20.Bxg6 hxg6 21.Qxg6 Qc7 22.Bxf6 exf6 23.Rh7 Kf8 24.Rdh1 Qf7 25.Rh8+ Bxh8 26.Rxh8+ Ke7 27.Rh7 Rf8 28.Rxf7+ Rxf7 29.Qf5 Ke8 30.b3 Rc5 31.Qe6+ Re7 32.Qxd6 1-0 (32) Giri,A (2530)-N,N (2415) Saint Petersburg 77/218 2001 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z]]

19.Qh4! h6 20.g4 0.55/20

[20.Bxa7± 1.59/18 Rb7 21.Be3]

20...e5 1.34/21

[20...a5!± 0.55/20]

21.Bxa7 Threatens to win with Nxf6+.

21...Rb7 22.Be3! Strongly threatening Nxf6+. **22...g5 23.Qf2** 0.37/21

[23.Nxf6+?! Qxf6 24.Qh3 Ra8±]

[23.Qe1!± 1.50/20]

23...Nxd5± 24.exd5 Black must now prevent Bd2. **24...Qa5** 2.08/20

[24...b4!± 0.32/20 25.Ba6 Qc7]

25.c3 Rc4

(Diagram)

26.Bxc4 0.66/20

[26.Qc2+- 1.75/17]

26...bxc4 27.Ka1 Bg6 Inhibits Qc2.

28.Bc1 Rb3 29.Qe2 -0.40/21

[29.Rhe1± 0.65/21]

29...Qa4 -0.01/20

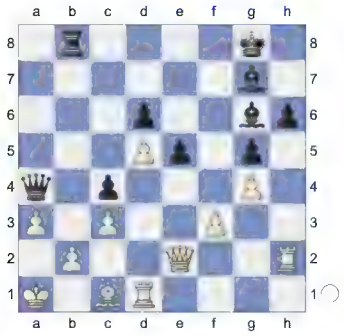
[29...Qb5∓ -0.40/21 30.Be3 Qa5]

30.Rh2 -0.37/18

[30.Qe3= -0.01/20]

30...Rb8 0.86/23

[30...Qb5!∓ -0.37/18 31.Be3 Bd3]



31.Rdh1± Bd3 1.74/22

[31...Qb3!= 0.24/22]

32.Qd2? 0.01/20

[Better is 32.Qf2+- 1.74/22]

32...e4? 4.29/21

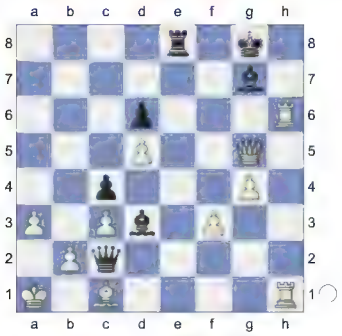
[32...Rb3!= 0.01/20 and Black has nothing to worry. 33.Qd1 *(33.Rxh6? Qb5-+)* 33...e4]

33.Rxh6+- e3 9.73/21

[⌓33...exf3 4.63/20 34.Qe3 *(34.Qxg5 Qc2=)* 34...Qe8 35.Qxg5 Qe5 36.Rh8+ Kf7 37.Rxb8 Qxg5]

34.Qxe3 Threatening mate with Qe6+.

34...Re8 Against Qe6+ **35.Qxg5 Qc2**



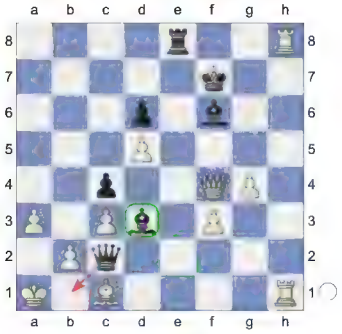
36.Rh8+? 0.70/5

[36.Be3+- 13.99/24 White wants to mate with Rh8+. Re5 37.Qd8+ Kf7 38.Bg5 Qc1+ 39.Bxc1 Re8 40.Qxd6 Kg8 41.Qd7]

36...Kf7± 37.Qf4+

[Avoid the trap 37.Qh5+? Bg6 38.Qxg6+ *(38.Rxe8? Qb1#)* 38...Qxg6 39.Rxe8 Kxe8-+]

37...Bf6

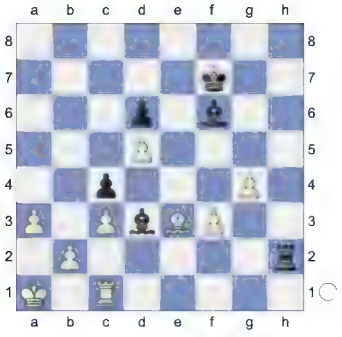


38.Be3? -1.00/21

[38.R8h7+!± 1.42/24 stays on course. Bxh7 39.Be3]

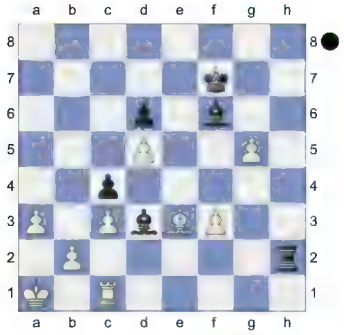
38...Rxh8∓ Dancing on a razor blade.

39.Rc1 Qh2 40.Qxh2! Rxh2



41.g5 -1.68/22

[White should play 41.Bf4∓ -0.36/20 Rf2 42.Bxd6]

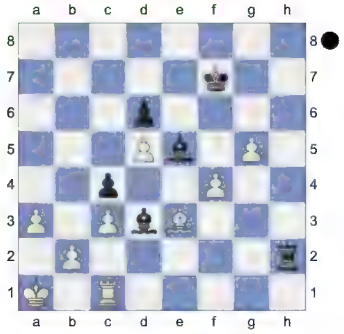


41...Be5? -0.15/23 A strong pair of Bishops.

[41...Re2!-+ -1.68/22 42.Bf4 Bd8 43.Bxd6 Bxg5]

42.f4 -0.69/23

[White should try 42.a4!= -0.15/23]

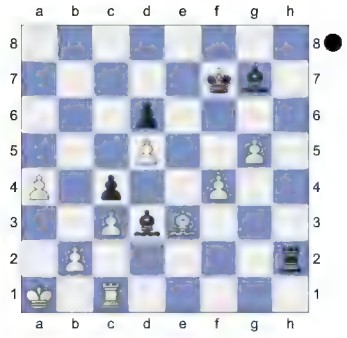


42...Bg7 0.17/22 0x0.001c124ed226dp-1022s more active pieces.

[42...Re2!∓ -0.69/23 43.fxe5 Rxe3 44.exd6 Rg3]

43.a4!

(Diagram)



Black escapes into a draw.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/ Black=0.93. Loss on time!?
0-1

23 **B93**
□ **Ding,Liren** **2788**
■ **Nepomniachtchi,Ian** **2795**
World-ch Nepomniachtchi-Ding (12)
[Kitty Kat]

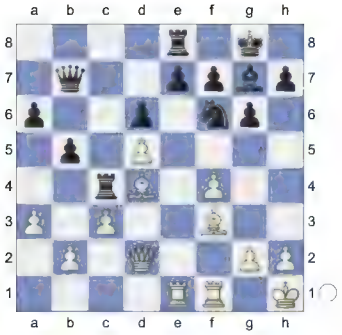
B93: Sicilian Najdorf: 6 f4
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.f4 a6 7.Be2
[7.Bc4 Bg7 8.Bb3 0-0 9.Be3 Nc6 10.h3 Bd7 11.Qd3 b5 12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.g4 b4 14.Nce2 a5 15.g5 Nh5 16.Bd5 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Qc7 19.c3 Bb5 20.Rh2 Bxe2 21.Rxe2 Nxf4 Jaivardhan,R (2595)-Pedmanson,A (2620) Hersonissos 101/(445) 1978 Mega2014 Update 23 [FS 106] 0-1 (37)]
7...Qc7N
[7...e5 8.Nb3 Nc6 9.0-0 Bg7 10.Be3 Qc7 11.fxe5 dxe5 12.Rxf6 Bxf6 13.Nd5 Qb8 14.Nxf6+ Kf8 15.Bh6+ Ke7 16.Nd5+ Ke8 17.Bg7 1-0 (17) Kovacek,P (1498)-Hjelm,N (1568) GER 2023 Inf33 [John Watson]]
8.0-0 Bg7 9.Kh1 Nc6 10.Be3 0-0

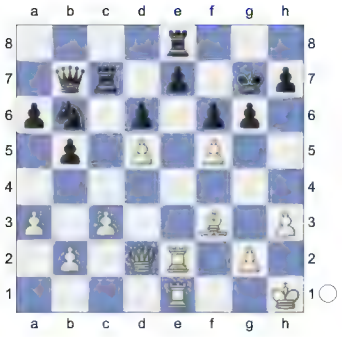
11.Nb3 The position is equal. **11...Be6** 0.18/19
[11...b5 -0.15/18 might be stronger.]
12.Bf3 Rac8 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 Na5 15.Nxa5 Qxa5

16.c3 Inhibits Qb4. **16...b5 17.Qd2 Rc4 18.a3** Inhibits b4. **18...Qc7 19.Bd4 Qb7 20.Rae1 Re8**

(Diagram)

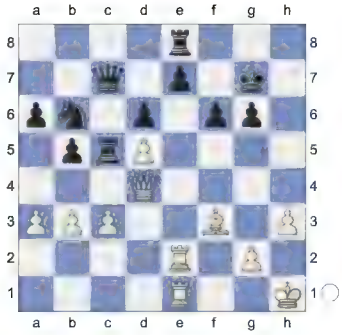


21.Re2 -0.01/22
[21.f5± 0.49/20]
21...Nd7= 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Rfe1 Nb6 0.97/21
[23...Nf6!= -0.01/21 remains equal.]
24.f5 0.58/23
[White should try 24.h4± 0.97/21]
24...f6 1.40/22
[Black should play 24...Nd7!± 0.58/23]
25.h3 1.09/21
[⌓25.b3 1.40/22 Rc7 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.Qd3]
25...Rc7±

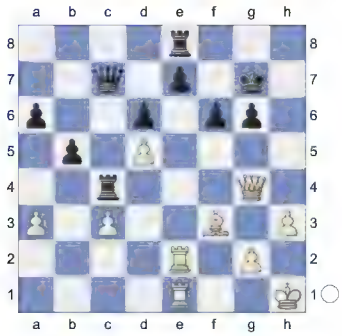


26.b3 Prevents Nc4. &Bianco is more active. **26...Rc5** 1.86/21
[26...a5± 1.08/20]
27.Qd4 Qc7 1.88/23
[27...Rc7± 1.56/21 was called for. 28.Re6 Rg8 29.fxg6 hxg6]
28.fxg6 hxg6

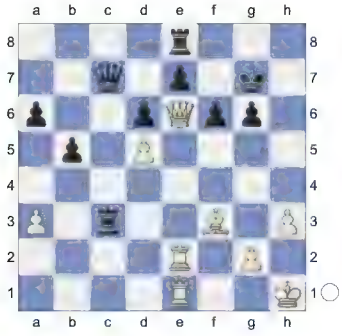
(Diagram)



29.Qg4 0.46/23
[29.Re6!+- 1.74/22]
29...Nc4? 4.09/24 Black cannot hold the game after this. **30.bxc4+- Rxc4**

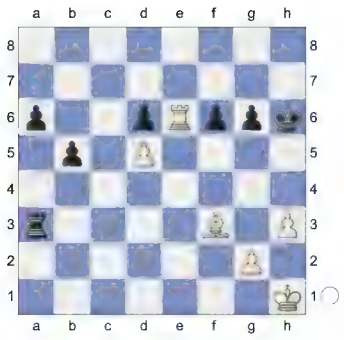


31.Qe6 Qxe7+! is the strong threat.
[Not 31.Be4 f5 32.Qg3 fxe4±]
31...Rxc3

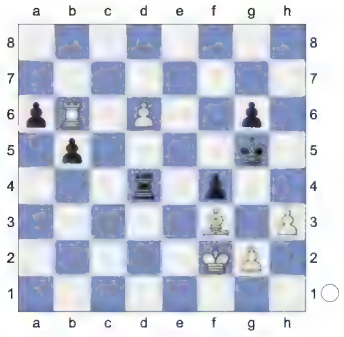


32.Qxe7+! White is clearly winning.
32...Rxe7 33.Rxe7+ Qxe7 34.Rxe7+ Endgame KRB-KR **34...Kh6 35.Re6 Rxa3**

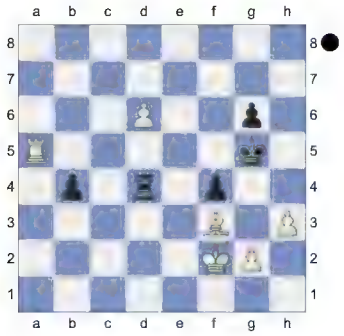
(Diagram)



36.Rxd6 Kg5 37.Rb6 Ra4 38.Kg1 f5 39.Kf2 f4 40.d6 Rd4



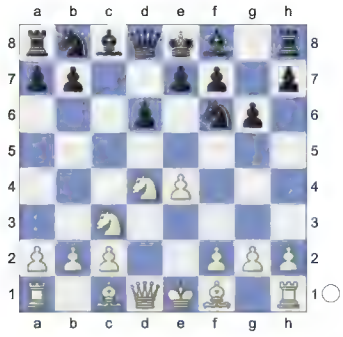
41.Rxa6 b4 42.Ra5+



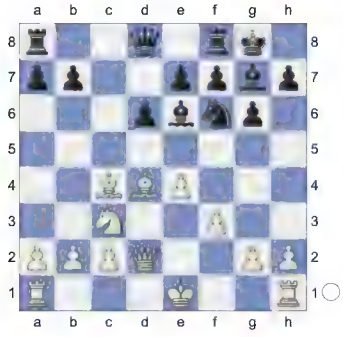
Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.57
1-0

24 **B77**
□ **Magnusglad** **2777**
■ **Endogenetic** **2807**
Classical 26.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 30min+2sec
B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 Nf6 4.Nc3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Bc4 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6



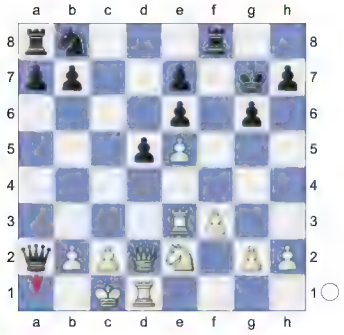
11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Rhe1 Nd7 Prevents e5. **14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.e5** White is slightly better. **15...d5**

16.Re3N
[16.Kb1 Rac8 17.h4 Rf5 18.f4 Rc4 19.Ne2 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 Rf8 21.Nd4 Nc5 2. Yugoslav Attack with 9.Bc4-11. Bxe6 #4]
[16.Qg5 Rae8 17.Kb1 Rf5 18.Qh4 Kg8 19.f4 Nb6 20.Qf2 Nc4 21.Ne2 Ref8 22.Qd4 Rc8 23.g3 Rc6

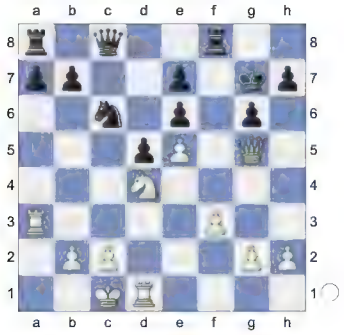
24.Qc3 Qa6 25.Nd4 Rb6 26.b3 Rf8 27.Re2 Qa3 28.h3 Rc8 29.g4 Ra6 30.Qa1 Qb4 Stoofvlees li A14 (3746)-Komodo (3794) tcec-chess.com INT 2020 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (44)]

[16.a3 Rac8 17.Ne2 Qxd2+ 18.Kxd2 *(18.Rxd2 a5 19.Nd4 Kf7 20.Re3 a4 21.Kb1 g5* 2. Yugoslav Attack with 9.Bc4-11. Bxe6 #8*)* 18...Rc4 19.Kc1 Rh4 20.h3 g5 21.Nd4 Kf7 22.b3 Nb8 23.Re3 Rc8 24.Kb2 a5 2. Yugoslav Attack with 9. Bc4-11. Bxe6 #6]

16...Nb8 17.Ne2 Qxa2



18.Ra3 Qc4 19.Nd4 Qc8 20.Qg5 Nc6



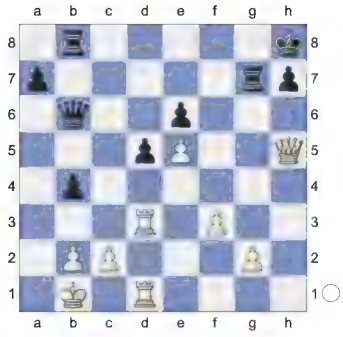
21.Nxc6 Qxc6 22.Qxe7+ Rf7 23.Qb4

[Of course not 23.Qd6 Qxd6 24.exd6 Rd7∓]

23...b5 24.Rc3 Qa6 25.h4 Rb8

(Diagram)

26.Kb1 Qb6 27.h5! gxh5 28.Qh4 b4 29.Rcd3 Kh8 30.Qxh5 Rg7



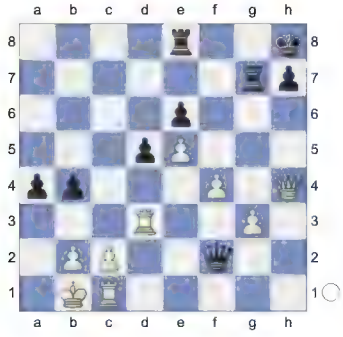
31.f4 Qf2 32.g3 Rc8 33.Rc1 a5

[Not 33...Rxg3 34.Qh4 Rg2 35.Qf6+ Rg7 36.Qxe6+-]

34.Qh3 -0.01/20

[34.f5± 0.48/19]

34...Re8= 35.Qh4 a4!



36.f5 Qxf5 37.Qxb4 Qxe5 38.Rf1 Rxg3 39.Rxg3 Qxg3 40.Rf8+ Rxf8

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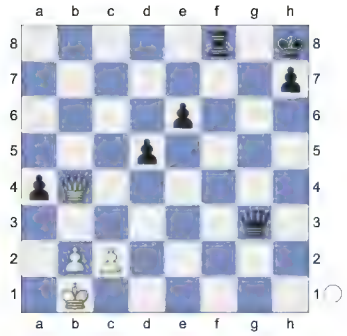
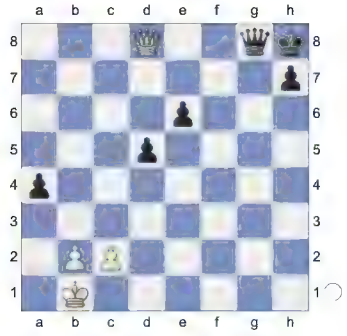


41.Qxf8+ KQ-KQ **41...Qg8 42.Qf6+ Qg7 43.Qd8+** The position is equal. **43...Qg8 44.Qf6+ Qg7 45.Qd8+ Qg8**

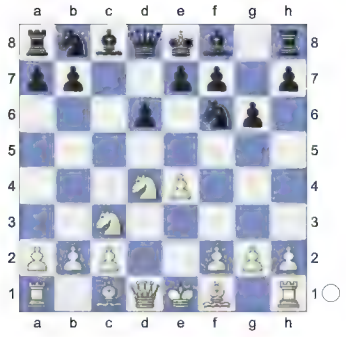


46.Qf6+

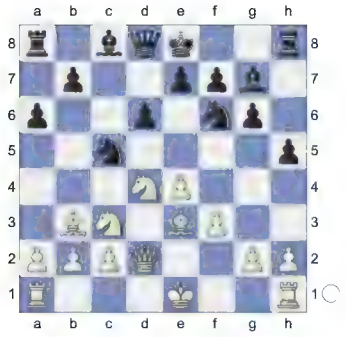
Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)
½-½

25 **B75**
□ **Grischuk,Alexander** **2777**
■ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2863**
St. Louis Rapid & Blitz (9.1) 17.09.2020
[Kitty Kat]

B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

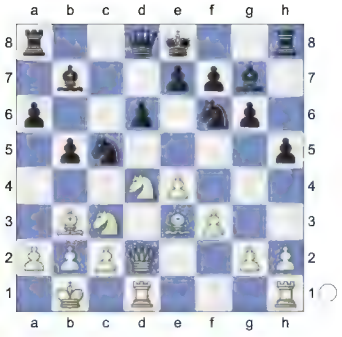


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 a6 8.Qd2 h5 9.Bc4 Nbd7 10.Bb3 Nc5

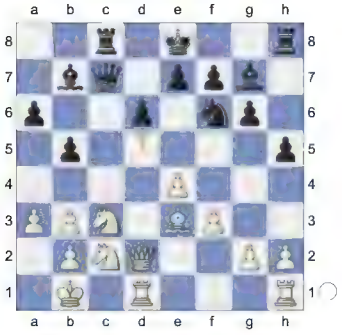


White is slightly better. **11.0-0-0 b5 12.Kb1** Threatens to win with e5! **12...Bb7** 0.80/19
[12...Bd7± 0.36/17]

(Diagram)

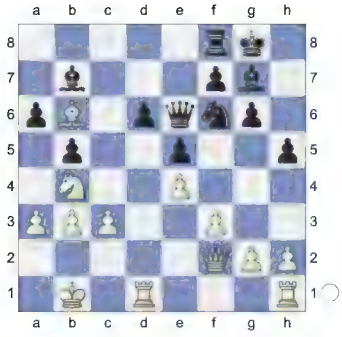


13.a3N 0.34/17 &Bianco is more active.
[White should try 13.Nf5!± 0.80/19 gxf5 14.Bxc5 dxc5 15.Qg5 12. Dragodorf - Bonus Chapter-8.Qd2 #5]
[13.Rhe1 Rc8 14.Bg5 0-0 15.Nd5 e6 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.h4 Bxg5 18.hxg5 Kg7 19.Qe3 Qc7 20.Rd2 b4 21.Red1 Rfd8 22.Qf4 Qe7 23.Ne2 a5 24.e5 d5 25.g4 hxg4 26.Qf6+ Qxf6 27.gxf6+ Kh6 Dominguez Perez,L (2758)-Carlsen,M (2862) chess24.com INT 2021 CBM 201 [Nielsen,Peter Heine] 0-1 (72)]
13...Nxb3 14.cxb3 Rc8 15.Nc2 Qc7

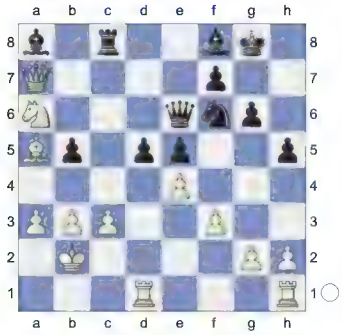


16.Bd4 0-0 17.Qf2 e5 0.55/20
[17...Rfe8= 0.07/18 is more appropriate.]
18.Bb6± Qd7 19.Nb4 Rxc3! 20.bxc3 Qe6!

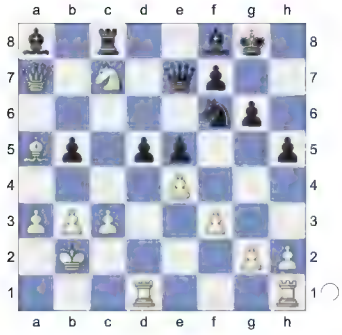
(Diagram)



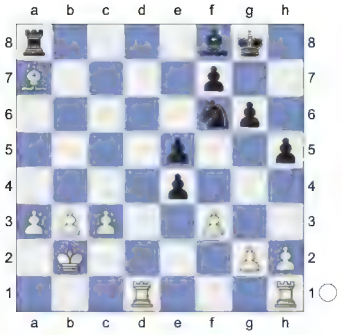
21.Kb2 Rc8 1.06/20
[21...d5± 0.43/22]
22.Ba5± d5 2.07/22
[22...Nd7± 1.06/20 23.Nd5 Nc5]
23.Qa7+- Ba8 24.Nxa6 aiming for Nc7.
[Weaker is 24.Qxa6 Qxa6 25.Nxa6 dxe4±]
24...Bf8? 3.64/22
[24...d4 2.07/20 25.Nc5 Qe8]



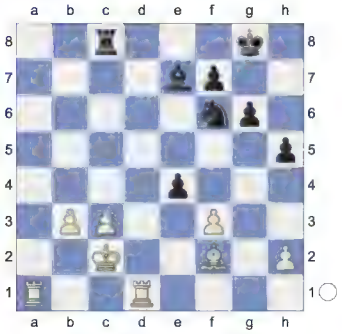
25.Nc7 Qe7



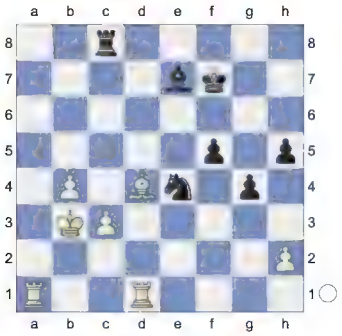
26.Nxb5 Qe8 27.Nc7 Qe7 28.Bb6 dxe4 29.Nxa8? 2.76/21 This move loses the game for Black.
[29.fxe4± 1.03/19 Bxe4 30.Rhe1]
29...Qxa7 30.Bxa7 Rxa8



31.Bf2 Bxa3+ 32.Kc2 Be7 33.Ra1 Against Ra2+ **33...Rc8 34.Rhd1** Prevents Nd5. **34...exf3 35.gxf3 e4**



36.fxe4 Nxe4 37.Bd4 f5 38.Kb2 Kf7 39.b4 g5 40.Kb3 g4



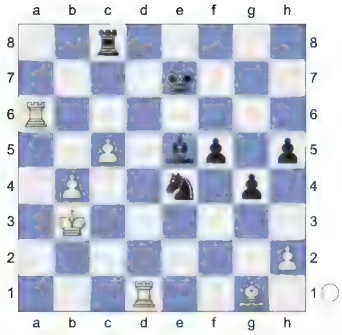
41.Ra7 Hoping for b5. **41...Ke6 42.Ra6+ Kf7 43.c4** And now Be3 would win. **43...Bd6?** 4.92/21

[43...h4 2.02/18 44.c5 Rd8]

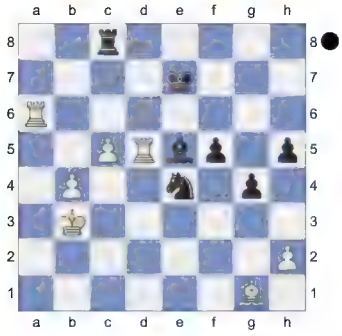
44.Bg1 White is clearly winning. **44...Ke7 45.c5 Be5** 7.14/17

[⌓45...Bb8 4.40/19 46.Ra8 Re8]

(Diagram)



46.Rd5



Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.29 (precise)

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26 **B76**

□ **Nepomniachtchi,Ian** **2771**

■ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2712**

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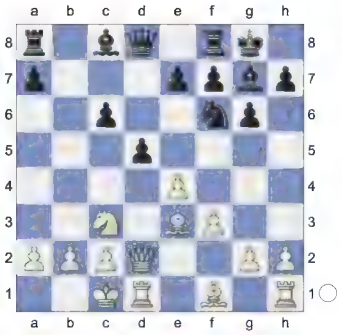
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

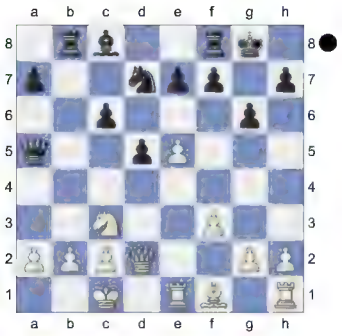
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

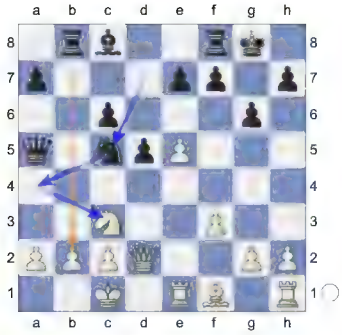
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 d5 10.Nxc6 bxc6



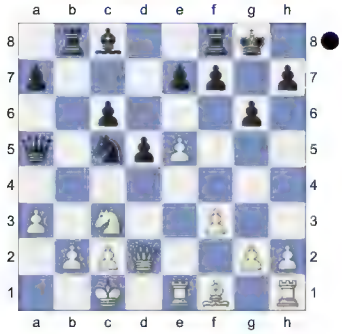
11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Rb8 0.69/20
[12...Qd6!= 0.05/17]
13.e5!± Nd7 0.95/20
[13...Nh5!± 0.41/20]
14.Re1? -0.85/20
[14.h4± 0.95/20 and life is bright.]
14...Qa5 -0.26/20
[14...Nc5∓ -0.85/20 aiming for ...Qa5. 15.Qd2 Qb6]
15.Qd2 -1.75/20
[15.e6= -0.26/20 and White stays safe. Nc5 16.exf7+ Rxf7 17.Qe3]



15...Nc5!-+



...Rxb2! is the strong threat. **16.a3?** -4.80/21
[16.b3∓ -1.57/18]



White does not recover from this.
16...Rxb2!! 17.Kxb2 Na4+ Deflection **18.Ka1** -7.79/21
[Avoid the trap 18.Kb3? Be6 19.Nxa4 Qxd2]
[⌓18.Kc1 -4.25/18 Nxc3 19.Qf4 *(19.Kb2? Bf5-+)*]
18...Nxc3 19.Qc1 Be6 Hoping for ... Rb8. **20.Qb2** Against Rb8 **20...c5**

21.h4 Na4 Discovered Attack **22.Qc1N Qc3+** Black mates. **23.Ka2 d4+ 24.Kb1 Rb8+**

Weighted Error Value: White=1.63/ Black=0.16 (very precise)
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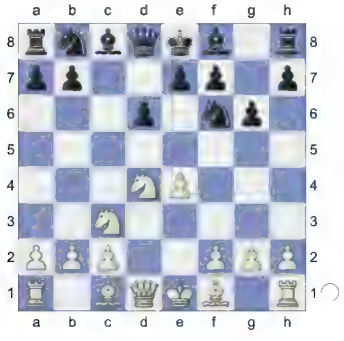
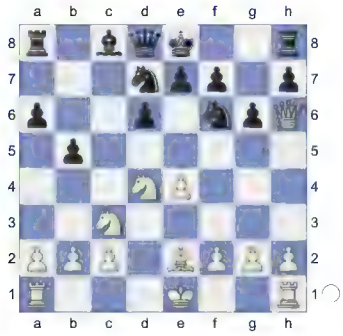
27 **B70**
□ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2770**
■ **Yilmaz,Mustafa** **2626**
EU-chT 23rd Terme Catez (4.5) 15.11.21
[Edouard,Romain]

B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)
1.e4 Roiz,M **1...c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



Roiz,M: 'Both players have a lot of experience in the Najdorf. This time Alireza manages to surprise his opponent with a relatively rare idea.'
6.Be3 a6 7.Be2 Bg7 8.Qd2 Nbd7
[8...b5 9.Bf3 e5 10.Nf5 Bf8 11.0-0-0 d5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Qxd5 Qxd5 14.Rxd5 gxf5 15.Rxe5+ Kd7 16.Rxf5 Nc6 17.e5 Bb7 18.Rxf7+ Be7 19.Rd1+ Ke8 20.Bh5 Nxe5 21.Rxh7+ 1-0 (21) Khlian,E (2615)-8.de5 ♗e6 9.a4_75828 (2437) IECG 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z]]
9.Bh6
[9.0-0 0-0 10.h3 Re8 11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 b5 13.Bd3 Bb7 14.Rae1 b4 15.Nce2 e5 16.Nf3 Bxe4 17.Ng5 Bxd3 18.cxd3 Nf8 19.f4 exf4 20.Rxf4 Ne6 21.Nxe6 Rxe6 22.Ref1 Rxe2 23.Rxf6 Qb6+ Escobar Forero, A (2450)-Hernandez Gonzalez,W (2487) Fort Lauderdale USA 2023 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (50)]
9...Bxh6 10.Qxh6 Roiz,M: 'An interesting mix of 6.Be3 and 6.h3. This position was seen in Anand - Ivanchuk and some correspondence games.' Instead, 10.f4 and 10.f3 are more popular. **10...b5**

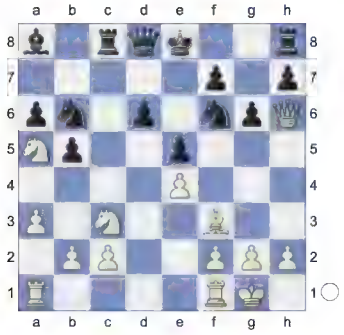


Roiz,M: 'There is no reason to delay this move.' **11.Bf3N** The position is equal.
[11.0-0-0]
[11.Nd5 Bb7 12.Bf3 e5 13.Nb3 Bxd5 14.exd5 Rc8 15.c3 Qb6 16.0-0 b4 17.cxb4 Qxb4 18.Rac1 Ke7 19.Rc6 Nb8 20.Rxc8 Rxc8 21.Qe3 Nbd7 22.Qa7 Qb6 23.Qxb6 Nxb6 24.Rd1 Rc2 25.Na5 Rxb2 Smart,M-Ward,C London 2015 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (31)]
11...e5?! Roiz,M: 'Unexpectedly, this natural developing move is actually a

serious mistake. The main downside of Mustafa's last move is leaving the Pa6 undefended, so the important ...b5-b4 advance is no longer effective.' **12.Nb3** Black is in trouble already! **12...Bb7** Roiz,M: 'Visually, Black has reached a harmonious setup, but...' **13.0-0**

[13.0-0-0 -0.01/18 13.0-0 0.30]

13...Rc8 Roiz,M: 'GM Yilmaz comes up with a novelty that hardly makes Black's position more attractive.' **14.a3?!** Roiz,M: 'Alireza isn't in a rush - Black is under strong positional pressure now.' **14...Nb6 15.Na5 Ba8**



Roiz,M: 'Black reasonably prefers to keep the c-file unlocked.' **16.Qd2**

[16.Rfd1 Na4± Roiz,M: 'Black was busted from a positional viewpoint in Van Foreest,J – L'Ami,A Douglas 2014' Unlike in the 11...b4 line, Black cannot push ...a4. 17.Nxa4 bxa4 18.Qd2 Roiz,M: ', as in Anand,V - Ivanchuk,V Morelia/Linares 2007 can be well met by' Nxe4!N Roiz,M: '!' 19.Bxe4 Bxe4 20.Qb4 0-0 21.Qxe4 Qxa5± 22.Rxd6 Roiz,M Rfd8 23.Rxd8+! Rxd8]

[16.Rfc1 is interesting. Ke7 17.Qd2 Nc4 18.Nxc4 Rxc4 19.Re1]

16...Nc4 Roiz,M: 'It is necessary to get rid of Nd5.'

[16...Na4 17.Nxa4 bxa4± It looks like nothing can prevent White from soon placing his knight on c6. Roiz,M: 'Worse is' 18.Rad1?! Roiz,M: '?' 0-0]

[16...Nbd7 17.Nb3± Nb6 18.Na5]

17.Nxc4 Rxc4 18.Rfe1!

[18.Rad1 Roiz,M Nxe4 *(18...Ke7 19.Qe3)* 19.Nxe4 Bxe4 20.Bxe4 White had a big positional advantage in Shankland,S - Ortiz Suarez,I Campinas 2013 Roiz,M: 'Hardly better is' 20...Rxe4 21.Qd5→ Rc4 Roiz,M 22.c3 0-0 0.47/20 *(22...Ke7*= 0.07/21 *)*]

18...Qc7 0.57/21

[18...0-0= 0.22/18 is more appropriate.]

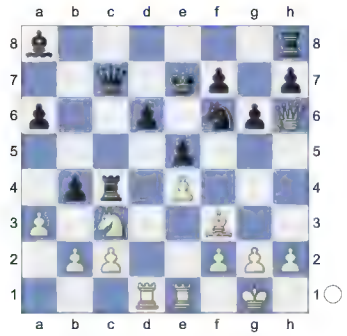
19.Rad1

[19.Qh6 Ke7 Roiz,M: 'the strong Ne5 doesn't compensate the weak Pd6 and lack of development. For instance,' 20.Re3±]

19...Ke7 Roiz,M: 'Black managed to complete development, but he is still doomed to passive defence.' **20.Qh6** -0.01/21

[20.Re3± 0.40/18]

20...b4=



21.axb4 Rxb4 22.Rb1

[22.Rd3 Rxb2± 23.Bd1 Roiz,M]

[22.Ra1 Rxb2 23.Nd1± Black lacks any counterplay. Rxc2! was probably stronger: Black is paralyzed! Roiz,M: 'A few preceding games saw' 24.Ne3! Roiz,M: ', and after' Rc5 25.Rxa6]

[22.Qg7 Rg8 23.Qh6 Rxb2∓]

22...Rhb8 **23.Nd1** Roiz,M: 'An interesting decision. Alireza bravely weakens his king in order to make progress.' A very creative idea overall, but simply not a great one objectively.

23...Bxe4 Roiz,M: '?' Roiz,M: 'Black is defending too passively.' **24.Bxe4** Roiz,M: 'Another creative, but wrong decision.' **24...Rxe4** Roiz,M: 'Alas, GM Yilmaz fails to withstand the pressure. After this mistake the game loses its intrigue.' A terrible mistake, just entering what White was hoping for.

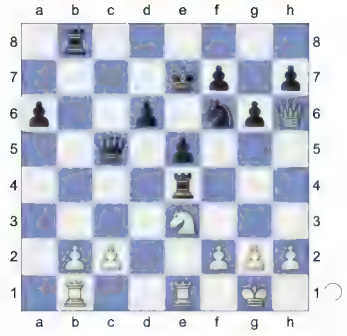
[24...Nxe4 1.08/22 24...Rxe4 -0.01 25.c3 the domination by White's knights makes Black's position hopeless. Roiz,M: 'The other recapture wouldn't change much:' 25...Ra4 was required: *(25...Rc4 26.Ne3* followed by Nd5 and White is slightly better - but not largely better as in the game.*)* 26.Ne3 0.40/19 *(26.Qh4+± 0.87/21 g5 27.Qxh7)*]

[24...Nxe4 25.c3 Ra4 26.Qh4+ g5 27.Qxh7±]

25.Ne3! -0.49/19

[25.Rxe4= -0.01/23 deserves consideration. Qxc2 26.Nc3 Nxe4 27.Qh4+ Nf6 28.Rd1 *(28.Nd5+ Ke6=)*]

25...Qc5∓



26.c4 Roiz,M: 'This combination enables Alireza to liquidate into a winning endgame.' **26...Rb3** **27.h3** Roiz,M: '+-' Roiz,M: 'The passer easily decides the game.' **27...Qd4** -0.01/20

[After 27...Rf4 Roiz,M 28.Re2]

[Black should play 27...a5∓ -0.58/20]

28.Rbd1= Rd3 0.57/26

[28...Qc5± looks even more promising as the knight reaches c6.]

[Don't do 28...Qxb2 29.Qg5 Rbxe3 30.Rxe3±]

[28...Qc5!= 0.01/23]

29.Qg5↑ White has good play.

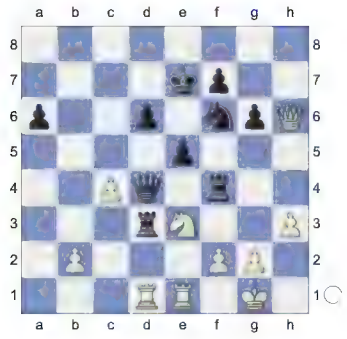
[29.Qg5!? Rexe3 30.fxe3 Rxd1 31.exd4 Rxe1+ 32.Kf2=]

[Roiz,M: 'The pawn was poisoned:' 29.b4 0.01/21 29.Qg5 0.54 Roiz,M: '?' Rexe3 30.fxe3 Rxd1 1.21/24 *(30...Qxc4=* 0.01/23 remains equal. *31.Rxd3 Qxd3)* 31.exd4± Rxe1+! preventing ...0-0 because of Nxe5 is crushing. 32.Kh2 Roiz,M Re4 2.59/23 *(32...exd4!?* Roiz,M *33.Qd2* Inhibits Re2.*;* *32...exd4* 1.90/25 keeps fighting. *33.Qd2 Re4)* 33.dxe5+- Rxe5 34.Qd2+- White regains the pawn and achieves a winning position.]

29...h6 0.99/24

[29...Rexe3! 30.fxe3 Roiz,M: ', followed by ...Bf8-g7. In this case the vulnerability of White's king provides Black with decent counter-chances.' Rxd1 looks ugly for Black, but after 31.exd4 followed by ...Bg7, he is just fine. After something like 31...Rxe1+ Roiz,M 32.Kh2! Threatens to win with c5. *(32.Kf2* 0.64/20 32.Kh2 -0.01 *Re4 33.dxe5 Rxe5)* 32...Re4 *(32...exd4* 1.07/23 32...Re4 0.53 *33.Qd2!* followed by ...Qg4 or ...f6 whenever possible, and Black is fully back in the game. *Re4* Roiz,M *34.b4±)* 33.dxe5 Rxe5 34.Qd2

it is not obvious how White can regroup his forces. aiming for b4. a5! Roiz,M: '!?' with the idea of]
[29...Rexe3!± 0.54/25 30.fxe3 Rxd1 31.exd4 Rxe1+ 32.Kf2 Re4]
30.Qxh6± Roiz,M: 'The rest is just an agony.'. &Bianco is more active.
30...Rf4!
[30...Rxd1 1.32/23 30...Rf4 0.61 31.Rxd1 Qxb2± White has good chances to convert his extra pawn. Roiz,M: 'Correct was' 32.Qg5! And now Nd5+ would win. Ke6 33.Rxd6+! Kxd6 34.Qxf6+ Kc5 35.Qxf7 1.18/20 *(⌓35.Qe7+ 1.52/21 Kc6 36.Qe8+ Kb7 37.Qxf7+ Kb8 38.Qxg6)*]



31.Qg5 -0.54/26
[31.g3 Rf3 32.Rxd3⇄ , and Black is doing well here. Roiz,M: 'After' 32...Qxd3

33.Kg2! e4± is not very human, but seemed to simply work for White. 34.Qh8 Roiz,M]
[31.g3!± 0.63/24 Rf3 32.Rxd3 Qxd3 33.Kg2]
31...Kf8 0.21/24
[31...Ke6!]
[31...Kd7 -0.01/23 31...Ke6 -0.34]
[31...Qxb2? 32.Rxd3 Qxf2+ 33.Kh2 Qxe1 34.Nd5+ Ke6 35.Nxf4+ exf4 36.Qxf4+- *(36.c5 dxc5 37.Qxf4 Nd5+-)*]
[31...Ke6∓ -0.54/26 32.Rxd3 Qxd3]
32.Qh6+ Kg8? 3.79/23
[32...Ke8 1.09/25 32...Ke7 -0.01 33.Rxd3 Qxd3 34.Qh8+ Ke7 was strong as well, but not as neat as the game move. Roiz,M: 'At the same time, had he played' 35.Qb8! Rd1 is the strong threat. Qd2 36.Rf1! Roiz,M: 'the result of the game would be unpredictable, as'with the idea of ...Rc5 or ...Nf4 was just unclear.]
[32...Ke7 (Roiz,M) is well met by]
[32...Ke7= -0.01/23]

This costs Black the game. **33.Rxd3!+- Qxd3 34.Rd1** Against Qd2. White is clearly winning. **34...Qe2 35.Rxd6** White wants to mate with Rd8+.
[Worse is 35.Kh2 Rd4 36.Ra1 Qxb2 37.Rxa6 Qb7=]
35...Qxf2+ 11.22/23
[⌓35...Qe1+ 4.53/22 36.Kh2 Qa5]

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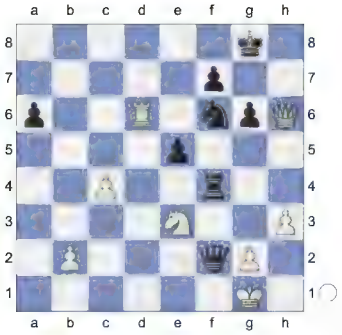
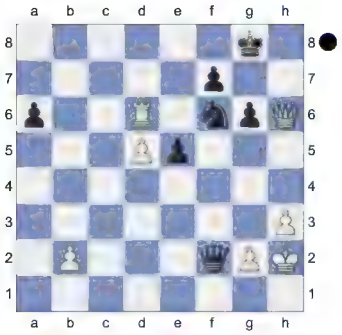


36.Kh2 Rd8+ would kill now. **36...Rd4 37.Nd5 Rxd5 38.cxd5**



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28 **B76**
□ **Caruana,Fabiano** **2766**
■ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2718**
chess.com SpeedChess 2022 blitz (1.19)
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Qb6 14.Na4 Qc7 15.Nc5 Rd8 0.38/19
[15...a5= 0.01/18]

16.Bc4± Bf5 0.45/20
[16...e5= 0.01/17 17.Qh4 Qb6]
17.Bb3 Nb6 18.Qe3 Rxd1+
[18...Nd5 19.Qf2 h5 20.g3 a5 21.Rhe1 Nb6 22.a4 Nd5 23.Rd2 Nb4 24.Red1 Rxd2 25.Qxd2 Qe5 26.Qc3 Qe2 27.Re1 Qxh2 28.Rxe7 Qg1+ 29.Re1 Qxg3 30.Qe3 Rf8 31.Rg1 Qh2 32.Ne4 Bxe4 33.fxe4 Caruana,F (2803)-Jobava,B (2699)

Khanty Mansiysk 2015 [Milos Pavlovic] ½-½ (55) Kh7 34.Rf1 Qg2 35.Rd1 Re8 36.Qf4 Qxe4 37.Qxf7+ Kh6 38.Kb1 Rd8 39.Rg1 Re8 40.Rd1 Rd8 41.Rg1 Re8 42.Qf1 Nd5 43.Qf2 Qe3 44.Qg2 Qe1+ 45.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 46.Ka2 Nb4+ 47.Ka3 Ra1+ 48.Ba2 Caruana,F (2828)-Le,T (2515) chess.com INT 2019 [Chris Ward] 1-0 (55)]

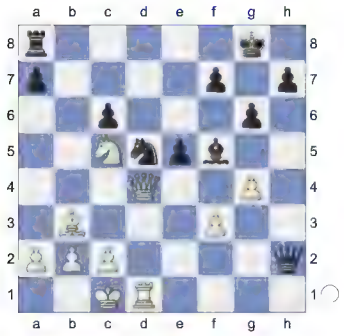
19.Rxd1 Qxh2 20.g4 Nd5!

21.Qd4N

[21.Qd2 Qxd2+ 22.Kxd2 Bc8 23.c4 Nc7 24.Ba4 Ne6 25.Bxc6 Rb8 26.Nxe6 Bxe6 27.Kc3 Rb6 28.Bd7 Bxd7 29.Rxd7 Kf8 30.b4 h5 31.g5 Rd6 32.Rxa7 h4 33.Ra8+ Kg7 34.Ra3 Ra6 35.Rb3 h3 5.♘b5 ♕b8 6.c4 ♘f6 7.î€ (2433)-8. ♕d2 ed5 9. ed5 ♖e8_65648 (2389) France 2023 Inf 94 [John Watson] 1-0 (41)]

21...e5 0.81/23

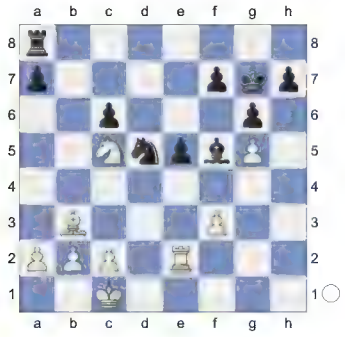
[21...Be6± 0.46/21]



22.Qd2 0.25/24

[22.Qc4!± 0.81/23 Qh6+ 23.Kb1]

22...Qxd2+= 23.Rxd2 Be6 24.Re2 Kg7 25.g5 Bf5



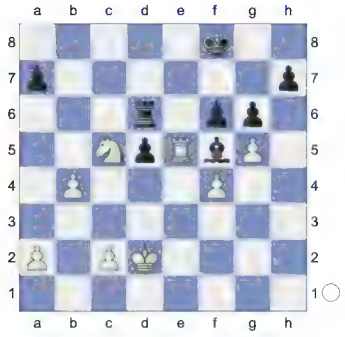
White must now prevent ...f6. **26.Bxd5 cxd5 27.Rxe5±** Endgame KRB-KRN **27...Rd8 28.b4 Kf8** 1.15/23

[28...h5± 0.47/23]

29.Kd2 Rd6 30.f4 0.92/24

[⌓30.a4 1.31/19]

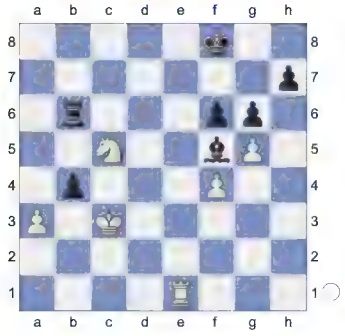
30...f6±



31.Re3 Hoping for Ra3. **31...Rb6 32.a3 d4 33.Re1 a5 34.c3 dxc3+** 1.08/21

[34...Kf7± 0.69/24]

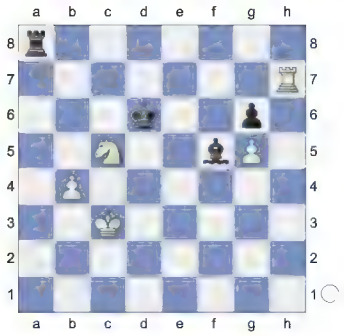
35.Kxc3 axb4+



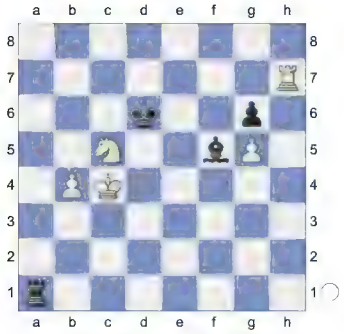
36.axb4 fxg5 37.fxg5 Rb8 38.Ra1 1.16/22

[Better is 38.Kc4 1.51/21]

38...Ke7 39.Ra7+ Kd6 40.Rxh7 Ra8



41.Kc4 Ra1



42.Kb5 0.13/22

[White should try 42.Nb7+!± 1.04/21 Kc6 43.Nd8+ Kd6 44.Kb5]

42...Rb1 0.90/22

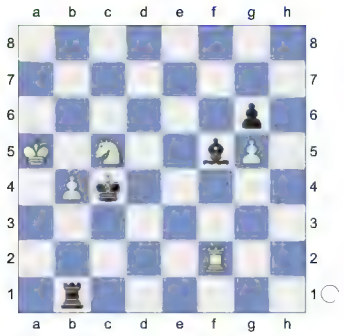
[42...Rg1= 0.13/22]

43.Rh2 Ke5 44.Rf2 Kd4 45.Ka5 -0.01/22

[White should play 45.Rf4+± 0.89/23 Kd5 46.Rf2]

45...Kc4 0.82/23

[45...Rg1!= -0.01/22 keeps the balance.]



46.Rf4+ Kd5 47.Kb6 0.52/21

[47.Kb5± 0.94/21]

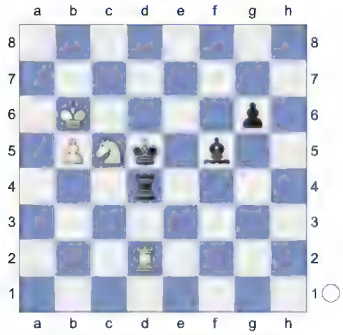
47...Rg1!± 48.b5 Rxg5 49.Rf2 0.01/20

[49.Rf1± 0.49/18 is more appropriate.]

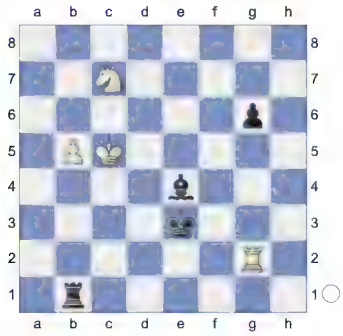
49...Rg4!= 50.Rd2+ 0.01/19

[50.Na6± 0.44/20]

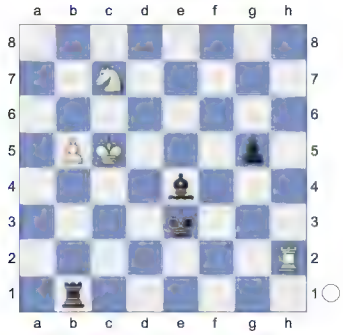
50...Rd4



The position is equal. **51.Rf2 Rb4 52.Na6 Rb1 53.Nc7+ Ke4 54.Kc5 Ke3** Inhibits Re2+. **55.Rg2 Be4**



56.Rh2 g5



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Loss on time!?

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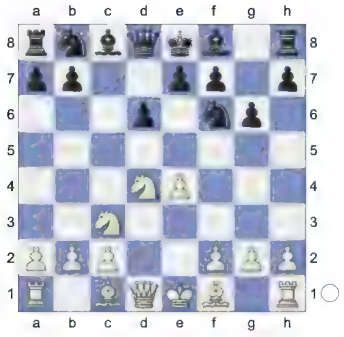
29 **B70**
□ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2760**
■ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2830**
Chessable Masters Div 1 W (4.4) 7.2.24
[Chris Ward]

B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



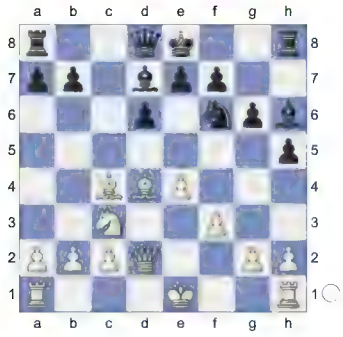
6.f3 Nc6 7.Be3 h5 Constantly keeping tabs on it, we've seen on this site just how fashionable the Hungarian Dragon is and having the Magnus seal of approval is hardly going to detract from its popularity! **8.Bc4**

[Elsewhere around the World this month occurred 8.Qd2 Nxd4 9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Qf2 Qa5 11.Bb5+ Kf8! 12.0-0 e5 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Qxe3 Be6 which is nothing that we haven't witnessed before on the site and doesn't challenge Black at all. In fact 15.Rad1 Rc8 16.Be2 Qc5 17.Qxc5 dxc5 18.g3 -0.22/19 *(18.Nd5* 0.12/20 feels stronger. *Bxd5 19.exd5)* 18...g5 0.30/19 *(⌓18...h4* -0.22/19 *)* 19.Nb5 Ne8 20.a4 a6 21.Na3 c4! 22.h4 gxh4 23.gxh4 Ke7 actually saw Black go on to win in Perez Rodriguez,C (2331)-Tamames Soria,C (2229) Holguin CUB 2024.]

Hence why White players (including evidently the super talented young Iranian) have been experimenting with delaying the deployment of the queen to cut across Black's main ...Nxd4 and ...Bh6 plan. **8...Bd7** White is slightly better. **9.Qd2**

[But not evidently for as long as those holding back still further through 9.Bb3 (see the archives) do!]

9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Bh6



11.Be3 0.01/18

[11.Qf2 Qa5 12.0-0 0.18/20 *(12.Bb3±* 0.53/18 should be considered.*)* 12...e5!= 13.Be3! Bxe3 14.Qxe3 Rc8 15.Bb3 Qc5! (Far from exhilarating but nevertheless a sensible approach. With the queens off, the black king will be able to safely remain in the centre.) 16.Qxc5 dxc5 *(16...Rxc5* would have kept the c-file of some interest to black but with the d6-pawn still a liability.*)* 17.Bc4 *(* Clearly White was concerned about Black getting in ...c4 and *17.Bd5 b6 18.Rad1 Ke7* for example wasn't much better.*)* 17...Bc6 18.Rae1

A) Or 18...Ke7 0.83/20 18...0-0 0.22 given 19.Nd5+ 0.01/21 (White should play *19.f4±* 0.83/20) 19...Bxd5= 20.exd5 Kd6 would be no problem.;

B) 18...Nd7

B1) This is nothing and I would

really have expected 19.Bd5 hoping ultimately to land the knight on the d5-outpost. Nevertheless then after Ke7 *(or 19...Nb6* forcing the issue with a choice of recaptures after *20.Bxc6+)* 20.Bxc6 Black would have the interesting option of bxc6 accepting the compromising of his queenside pawn structure in favour of having those 'weak' pawns controlling squares.;
B2) 19.b3± 0.46/19;
B3) 19.Nb5 0.10/22 19...Bxb5= 20.Bxb5 a6 21.Bxd7+ Kxd7 was an equal endgame in the site annotated Audi,A (2372)-Bernadskiy,V (2524) Lagos POR 2023.]

[11.Qf2± 0.50/17]

11...Bxe3= 12.Qxe3 Rc8 Pretty natural given Black might want to delay committing his king for the time being. **13.Bb3 Qa5 14.0-0-0** A top game with obviously top players but nevertheless nothing that we haven't seen before here on ChessPublishing. **14...Qc5**

[Fair enough although I have previously remarked that Ithough maybe reluctant to castle, certainly Black could consider a 14...Kf8 (intending to move it up to g7) manoeuvre to remove the king from the danger of White's central play.]

15.Rhe1N -0.01/19

[Instead 15.Qf4 was played in Petrosyan,M (2632)-Gharibyan,M (2490) Yerevan ARM 2023 when in the annotation I recommended 14... b5!? instead of the played 14...g5. g5 16.Qd2 Be6 17.Rhe1 Nd7 18.Kb1 h4 19.e5 Nxe5 20.Qxg5 Bxb3 21.cxb3 Kf8 22.f4 Ng6 23.f5 Ne5 24.f6 exf6 25.Qxf6 Rh5 26.Ka1 Re8 27.Rf1 Qc6 28.Nd5 Rh7 29.a3 Qd7 30.Qf4 3.g3 b5 4.Bg2 (2632)-Grimm,S (2490) lichess.org 2023 200 Traps In The Opening [Harding/Busemann] 1-0 (31) Rg7 31.Nf6 Qe6 1-0 (31) 3.g3 b5 4. ♗g2_31338 (2632)-Grimm,S (2490) lichess.org 2023 200 Traps In The Opening [Harding/Busemann]]

[15.Qxc5 -0.03/22 15.Qf4 0.33 Chris Ward Rxc5 is something Black could be very content with.]

[⌓15.Qf4 0.30/20]

15...b5?! 1.20/21

[This seems unnecessary with the straightforward 15...Qxe3+ 16.Rxe3 Bc6 seemingly just fine. Certainly the attempt to crash through the centre of 17.e5 dxe5 18.Rxe5 e6 is solid and after 19.Nb5 Bxb5 20.Rxb5 whether Black protects the b-pawn through 20...b6 or 20...Rc7, the decision to delay castling would be well justified with ...Ke7 up next.]

[15...Qxe3+= -0.01/19 remains equal. 16.Rxe3 0-0]

16.e5!± Compared to the above given variation, having a pawn on b5 should now be somewhat detrimental to Black. **16...Qxe3+ 17.Rxe3 dxe5 18.Rxe5 a6**

[The point is of course that White is threatening to win the aforementioned pawn and note 18...b4 1.57/22

18...a6 0.99 19.Ne4 Nxe4 20.Rxe4 a5 21.Bxf7+! takes advantage of the overloaded black king.]

19.a4 0.41/20

[I'm not sure whether there was a blind spot or something but for whatever reason here White seemingly overlooks the simple 19.Rd6! The e7-pawn is not only scrutinised but pinned and now the black a-pawn and knight would be forked with. aiming for Rxf6. Rc6 *(*And not *19...b4?* 3.54/23 19...Rc6 1.19 *20.Rxf6 bxc3 21.Rxf7)* 20.Rxc6! Bxc6 21.Rc5 suddenly very awkward. The bishop is attacked and obviously Black can't allow a back rank skewer. There is no satisfactory solution as Bd7 *(or 21...Kd7 22.Bxf7)* 22.Rc7 continues the serious pressure which in the case of 0-0 1.56/22 *(⌓22...h4* 0.93/21 *)* 23.Ra7 e.g. b4 1.88/22 *(23...Rb8±* 1.34/20 *24.Nd5 Nxd5)* 24.Nd5+- Nxd5 25.Bxd5 transmits into a clear extra pawn and some.]

[19.Rd6± 0.95/23 And now Rxf6 would win. Rc6 20.Rxc6 Bxc6 21.Rc5]

19...Rb8 1.15/22

[Better is 19...bxa4± 0.41/20 20.Nxa4 e6]

20.axb5 0.47/23 &Bianco is much more active. The black rooks are badly placed.

[So 19 a4 was still more than adequate but having reached this position, again 20.Rd6! would have been strong with bxa4 21.Bxa4 Bxa4 22.Nxa4 Strongly threatening Rxf6. Nd7 23.Re4 Ra8 24.Nb6 Nxb6 25.Rxb6 destined to bag a pawn too.]

[20.Rd6± 1.15/22 Black must now prevent Rxf6. bxa4 21.Bxa4 *(21.Nxa4 Be6=)* 21...Bxa4 22.Nxa4]

20...axb5±

21.Nd5?! 0.20/21

[And with this White's advantage completely dissipates. Still 21.Rd4! would have kept up the pressure. White is actually threatening Nxb5 thanks to a Rb4 follow up e.g. e6 *(So 21...Kf8* but after *22.Ne4* it's all pretty grovelly. *)*

22.Nxb5! Rxb5 23.Rxb5 Bxb5

24.Rb4!]

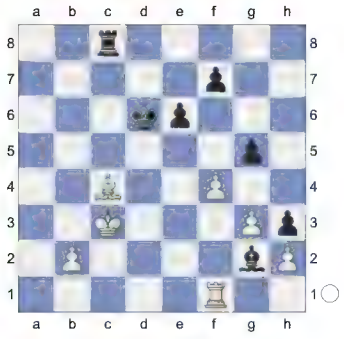
[21.Rd4± 0.54/22]

21...Nxd5= 22.Rexd5 Rb7 Now Black has everything protected and can finally get around to sorting his king and then

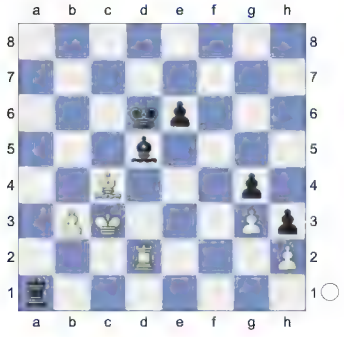
the other rook. **23.Kd2 e6 24.Rd4 h4!?**
[For reasons that soon become clear, not that there was anything wrong with the immediate 24...Ke7]
25.Kc3 Ke7

which was evidently played anyway! **26.Kb4 g5 27.Ra1 Bc6** And suddenly Black is threatening to go on top through ...h3. **28.Rd3** Dealing with that threat by over-protecting the f3-pawn. **28...Rd7 29.Rxd7+ Bxd7** Endgame KRB-KRB **30.c4** -0.65/22 Without the chance of winning the black b-pawn for nothing, White's winning chances are slim and no more than Black's.
[30.h3= 0.13/21]
30...bxc4

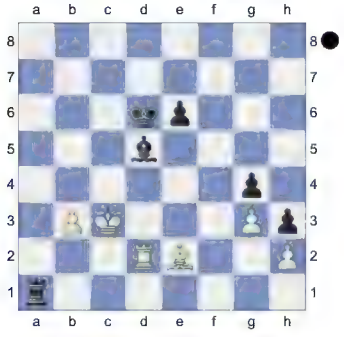
31.Bxc4 h3! 32.g3 Bc6 33.Rf1 Kd6 -0.01/23
[33...Rb8+∓ -0.45/19 34.Kc3 Ra8]
34.Kc3 -0.40/21
[34.f4= -0.01/23]
34...Rc8 35.f4 Bg2
[35...Bd5!? 36.b3 gxf4 37.Rxf4 e5 38.Rf6+ Ke7=]



36.Rf2 g4 37.Rd2+ Bd5 38.b3 Ra8 39.f5 Ra1 0.38/24
[39...Ke5= -0.01/21]
40.fxe6± fxe6



41.Be2!



And the game is agreed a draw alongside an engine assessment of 0.00 but involving lesser mortals, White could have played on (and then Black would probably have won!).
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½-½

30 **B76**
□ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**
■ **Skvortsov,Andrei** **2298**
Titled Tue 21st Mar Early blitz (8) 21.03.23
[Chris Ward]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

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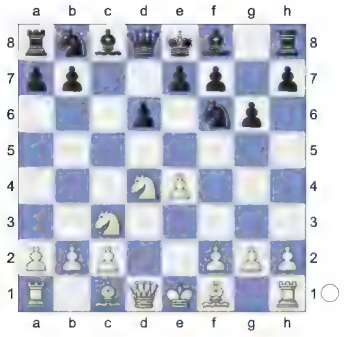


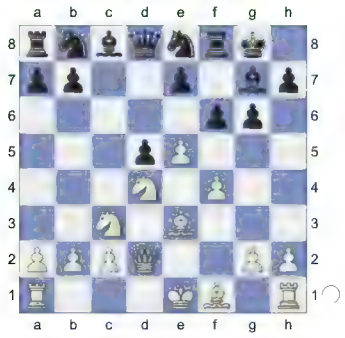
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 d5

I really didn't want to include a blitz game but I made an exception here as be it with the White side or Black side, I like watching Vlad's Dragon adventures and this offbeat system apparently remains a viable deviation. Basically then we are seeing a 9 0-0-0 d5 variation but without the black knight being on c6 and without White having castled! **9.e5**

[White gets to play this then without having traded on c6 first and of course he should as Black would be very content with 9.exd5 0.18/19 9.e5 0.70 Nxd5 with compared to the analogous main line, no isolated queenside pawns.]

9...Ne8 10.f4 f6

[A long while back we investigated 10...Nc6 and the options involving re-routing the e8-knight via c7. Black can't really play the position like a French Defence though and with the Dragon bishop currently blunted, the text feels like the most principled move.]



11.exf6N Interesting then that this is Kramnik's 'judgement' response, allowing Black's knight to return to action but no doubt looking to exploit the odd hole/weak point. 0x0. 001c124ed25fdp-1022s more active pieces.

[The obvious alternative is 11.Nf3 when Black needs to decide whether to protect his d5-pawn through the likes of ...Nc7 and ...e6 or else mix things up through fxe5 *(11...e6* 1.35/21 11...fxe5 0.44 *12.0-0-0 Nc6 13.h4!? fxe5 14.fxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.h5* left White with a handy kingside initiative for a pawn in Bagi, M (2432)-Marinskii,Y (2166) Porto Carras GRE 2018. *Qf6 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Kb1 Nd6 19.Bd3 Bf4 20.Rdf1 Bxe3 21.Qxe3 Nf5 22.Bxf5 exf5 23.Nxd5 Qg7 24.Rh6 Kf7 25.Qe7+ Kg8 26.Qg5 Kf7 27.Rfh1 Ke6 28.Rxg6+ Qxg6 29.Nf4+* 1-0 (29) Baginskaite,C (2299)-Nakamura,H (2644) San Diego 2006 CBM 112 [Ftacnik,Lubomir]*; 11...Nc6 12.Qxd5+ Qxd5 13.Nxd5 fxe5 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.fxe5 Bxe5 16.Nxe7+ Kh8 17.0-0-0 Be6 18.Nd5 Rd8 19.c4*

Bxd5 20.cxd5 Bf4 21.Bxf4 Rxf4 22.g3 Rf2 23.Bh3 Nd6 24.Be6 Rdf8 25.Rd2 Kg7 26.Kc2 Shimanskaia,T (1531)-Marinskii,Y (2063) St Petersburg 2023 ½-½ (60) *)* 12.Qxd5+ *(12.fxe5 Bg4 13.Qxd5+ Qxd5 14.Nxd5 Nc6* might not be too bad for Black who will at least imminently regain his pawn.*)* 12...Qxd5 13.Nxd5 exf4 when 14.Nxe7+ Kh8 may not be so bad for Black but 14 Bc5!? may be more testing. Black does after all seem to have quite a lot of pieces still on the back rank!]

[As it happens the most common move in practice is 11.0-0-0 with the point being that after fxe5 12.fxe5 ,

A) Hence 12...Nc6 13.Nf3 Bg4 when 14.Nxd5 *(14.Qxd5+ Qxd5 15.Nxd5 Rxf3! 16.gxf3 Bxf3* is certainly no problem.*)* 14...e6 *(14...Rxf3 15.gxf3 Bxf3 16.Bg2 Bxd1 17.Rxd1 Bxe5 18.Bc5 Bd6 19.Nf4 Qa5 20.Bd5+ Kh8 21.Nxg6+ Kg7 22.Bd4+* 1-0 (22) Cvachoucek,F-Engholm,B corr ICCF 1966*)* 15.Nf4 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Bh6 Strongly threatening ...Bxf3. 17.Nd5 Bxe3 18.Nxe3 Bxf3 19.gxf3 Nxe5 might be okay.;

B) 12...Bxe5?! 13.Nf3 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Black is just asking for trouble on the dark squares.]

11...Nxf6 Stopping here for a sec, White has fewer pawn islands but whilst Black's centre pawns aren't a threat, a decision does need to be made about whether to do anything about the g4-square. White is slightly better. **12.0-0-0**

[And again the judgement decision of Vlad is not to take a time out with the plausible 12.h3 or]

[12.Be2 0.39/18 12.h3 0.70 just to cover that g4-square.]

12...Ng4 13.Bg1?!

[Upon 13.h3 now it seems to me that Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Nc6! 15.Ne6 Bxe6 16.Qxe6+ Kh8 17.Rxd5 *(17.Nxd5?! Nd4!* is nice and dynamic.*)* tenders Black reasonable compensation for the pawn after either 17...Qb6 or 17...Qc7 0.73/19 but presumably 13 Kb1 is more useful. Still the concept of Black bagging White's dark-squared bishop for a knight and thus leaving the Dragon bishop bossing them does appeal. Kramnik was clearly in agreement there but maybe not so sharp tactics wise on this particular occasion! *(17...Qb6=* -0.01/20 keeps the balance. *)*]

13...Rxf4! Possible of course because of the .. .Bh6 pin. However although Black has bagged a pawn, his position is still a little loose with those queenside pieces still at home. **14.Nf3** -1.44/19

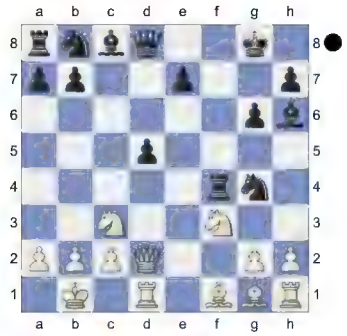
[More prudent would have been to escape the diagonal with 14.Kb1!? and only after Rf8 then 15.Nf3 *(*or maybe the immediate *15.h4* definitely with some play for the pawn. *)*]

[14.Qxf4? perishes. Bh6 15.Qxh6 Nxh6-+]

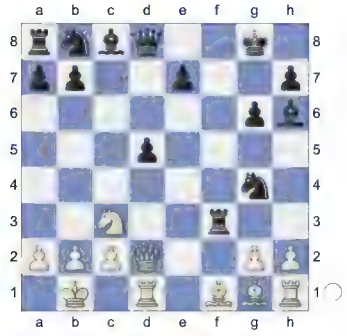
[14.Kb1!= 0.20/20 Rf7 15.Be2]

14...Bh6!∓ Clear punishment and suddenly White is in a lot of trouble bearing in mind the availability of discovered attack/check rook moves. **15.Kb1**

[Upon 15.Qxd5+ -3.27/20 15.Kb1 -2.03 Qxd5 16.Nxd5 for example, Rd4+ would be devastating.]



Best but definitely a move or two too late! **15...Rxf3!**

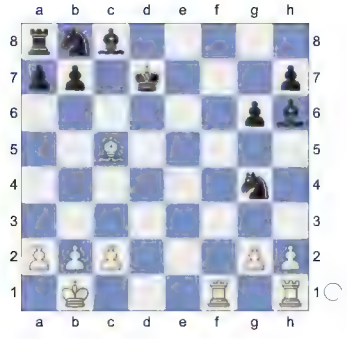


16.Qxd5+ Qxd5 17.Nxd5 Rxf1 18.Nxe7+? -3.95/23

[Upon 18.Rxf1 Nc6 a quick head count reveals two minor pieces for a rook and no trouble on the horizon. Hence White adopts the practical approach of confusion!]

[18.Rxf1∓ -1.49/23 Nc6 19.Re1]

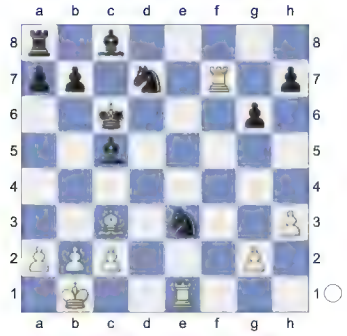
18...Kf7-+ 19.Rxf1+ Kxe7 20.Bc5+ So Black actually has three minor pieces for a rook and a pawn here but poor piece coordination mainly down to a lack of development. **20...Kd7**



21.Rf7+ Kc6 22.Bd4 Be3

[Or 22...Bf5 23.Rxh7 Be3 24.Bxe3 Nxe3 25.Rh8 Bxc2+ 26.Kc1 Bf5 The back rank pin is all that White has.]

23.Bc3 Nd7 24.Re1 Activating the rook and threatening h2-h3. **24...Bc5 25.h3 Ne3**



26.Rxh7 a5 White must now prevent ... Nf8.

[26...Nf8 27.Rh8 Bf5 seems most straightforward but with that impressive material advantage, of course all still looking good for Black.]

27.g4 Nb6

[27...Nf8 28.Rh8 Bd7 still looks easier or simply 27...b6.]

28.Rg7 Yes it felt unnecessary to concede the g6-pawn. **28...Nbd5** -1.51/23

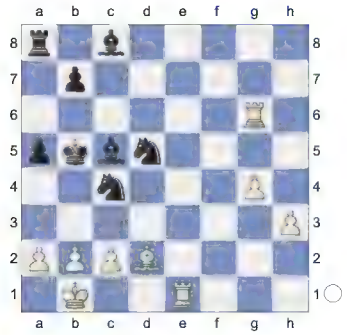
[28...Nbc4-+ -1.95/19 29.Rxg6+ Kc7]

29.Rxg6+∓ Kb5 30.Bd2! And now things aren't so simple. White has those connected passed kingside pawns to work with whilst his active minor pieces are actually currently a little precarious. **30...Nc4??** 0.01/19

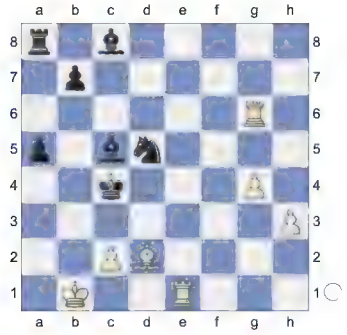
[Black should still be better after looking to develop his remaining pieces through 30...b6 or]

[30...Bd7 but with those connected white passers it's far from easy. The text though is a blatant mistake.]

[30...Bd7-+ -1.73/22 aiming for ...Bc6. 31.b3 a4]



31.a4+!= Decoy **31...Kxa4** The only option! **32.b3+ Kb5 33.bxc4+ Kxc4**



34.Re4+ 0.01/23

[Upon the pinning 34.Rg8! already it is clear that White has taken over Black's operation.]

[Better is 34.Rg8!± 0.80/24]

34...Kb5?? 4.85/22

[Instead 34...Bd4 as Black can meet the pin 35.Re8 And now Rgg8 would win. *(or 35.Rg8?* -1.45/21 35.Re8 0.00 *Nf6)* with 35...Bf5! i.e. 36.Rxa8 Bxg6 37.Rxa5 Nc3+ 38.Kc1 b5 39.h4 b4 40.h5 Be4 41.g5 Ne2+ 42.Kd1 *(Rather than 42.Kb1?* -3.06/22 42.Kd1 0.00

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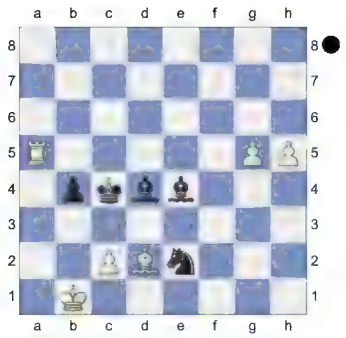


b3!) 42...Nc3+ 43.Kc1 *(or 43.Bxc3?* -5.25/25 43.Kc1 -0.01 *Kxc3)* 43...Ne2+ and a repetition.]

[34...Bd4= 0.01/23 and Black stays safe.]

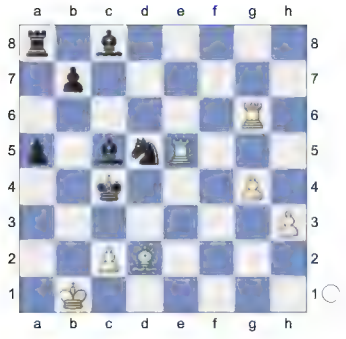
35.Re5? 1.21/21

[The simple fork 35.c4+! would have done it too.]

[35.c4++- 4.85/22 Ka4 36.cxd5+ Kb5 37.h4]

35...Kc4? 2.76/23

[35...Nb6± 1.21/21]



36.Rgg5+- Be7? 7.17/23

[36...Ra6 3.25/21 37.Rxd5 Rb6+ 38.Ka1 Rc6 39.Bxa5 b6]

37.Rh5

[37.Rxd5 Bxg5 38.Rxg5 Ra6±]

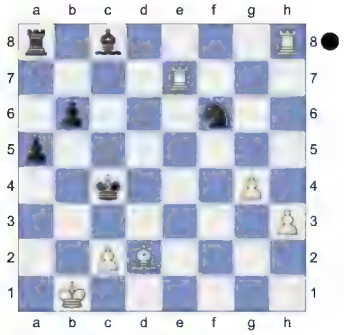
37...Nf6 38.Rh8 1.37/22

[Neat was 38.Rh4! planning a devastating discovered check with Bc5 39.g5+ soon leaving White with a massive material plus!]

[Not 38.Rxe7 Nxh5 39.gxh5 Bf5±]

[38.Rh4+- 6.29/22]

38...b6? 8.10/23
[38...Bd6± 1.37/22 39.Re1 *(39.Rxa5 Rxa5 40.Bxa5 Bd7±)* 39...Kd5]
39.Rxe7



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31 **B73**
□ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**
■ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2701**
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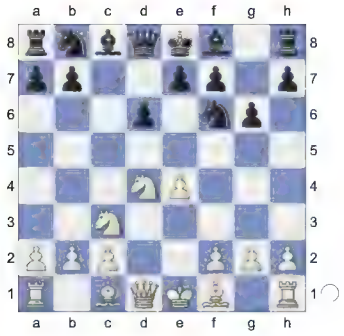
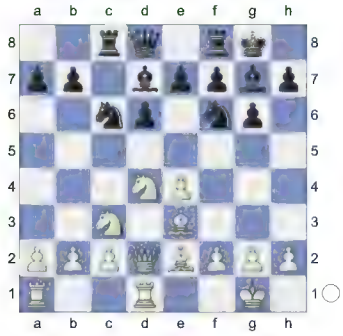
[Kitty Kat]

B73: Sicilian Dragon: Classical System without 9 Nb3
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Be3 Nc6 9.Qd2 Bd7 10.Rfd1 is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie.
10...Rc8
[10...a6 11.a4 Rc8 12.f3 Re8 13.Nxc6 Rxc6 14.Nd5 Be6 15.a5 Nd7 16.c4 Rc8 17.Nb6 Rc6 18.Nd5 Rc8 19.Ra3 Ne5 20.Rc1 Bxd5 21.Qxd5 Nc6 22.Qd2 e6 23.b4 d5 24.cxd5 exd5 25.exd5 Kramnik,V (2753)-Andreikin,D (2729) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (40)]



11.f3 Ne5 12.b3N -0.18/21
Leaves trodden paths.Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.
[12.a4 0.29/18 deserves consideration.]
[12.Rac1 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.b3 Rc8 15.Nd5 Bc6 16.c4 a6 17.a4 Nd7 18.Bg5 Re8 19.Nxc6 bxc6 20.Nxe7+ Rxe7 21.Bxe7 Qxe7 22.Qxd6 Qxd6 23.Rxd6 Nc5 24.b4 Nxa4 25.Rcd1 Bf8 26.Rd8 Rxd8 Kuru,A (2052)-Gromosiak,A (1735) Tornelo INT 2023 1-0 (52)]
12...Re8N 0.41/19
[Predecessor: 12...Qa5! 13.Nd5 Qd8 0.91/18 *(13...Qxd2=* -0.16/21 remains equal. *14.Nxe7+ Kh8 15.Bxd2 Rce8)* 14.c4± a6 15.Rac1 Re8 16.Qb4 Rb8 17.Nb6 Bf8 1.31/19 *(⌓17...Bc8* 0.89/19 *)* 18.c5 a5 2.56/20 *(18...Nc6±* 1.20/18 keeps fighting. *19.Qd2 Ne5)* 19.Qxa5+- d5 20.Bf4 Qc7 21.Qd2 dxe4 22.Nxd7 Nfxd7 23.fxe4 And now c6! would win. Rbd8 3.37/21 *(⌓23...Rbc8* 2.09/19 *24.a4 Bg7)*

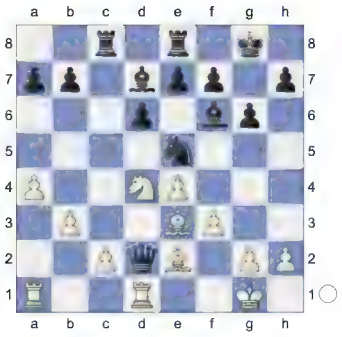
24.c6+- Nf6 25.cxb7 Qb8 26.Qe3 Neg4 9.08/21 *(⌓26...Qxb7 4.19/18 27.Bxe5 Qxe4 28.Qxe4 Nxe4)* 27.Bxb8+- Nxe3 28.Bc7 Nxd1 29.Bxd8 Rxd8 30.Nc6 1-0 (30) Guliyev,N (2560)-Kopczynski,M (2240) Warsaw 2007]

[12...Qa5!= -0.18/21 13.Ncb5 *(13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Nxe7+ Kh8=)* 13...Qxd2 14.Bxd2 Bxb5 15.Bxb5 d5]

13.a4 -0.13/20

[13.Nd5!± 0.41/19]

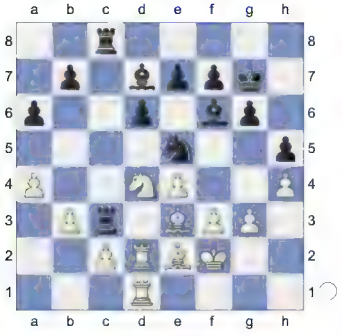
13...Qa5= 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6



16.Rxd2 Rc3 17.Kf2 a6 18.Rad1 Rec8 19.g3 h5 -0.23/20

[19...Bh3∓ -0.59/20]

20.h4 Kg7



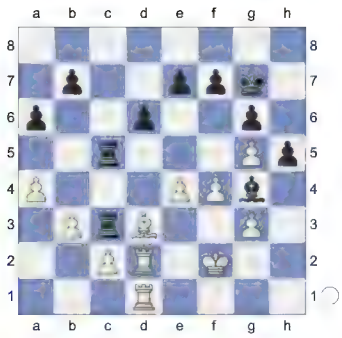
21.Bg5 -0.63/22

[21.Rb1= -0.15/19]

21...Bxg5∓ 22.hxg5 Nc6 23.Nxc6 R8xc6 -0.30/21

[23...Bxc6∓ -0.68/23 24.Ra1 Rc5]

24.Bd3 R6c5 25.f4 Bg4



26.Ra1 a5 27.Rb1 Rc7 28.b4 -1.25/23

[28.Ke1∓ -0.59/18]

28...axb4 -0.91/21

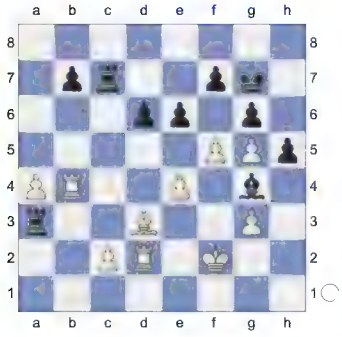
[⌓28...Ra3 -1.25/23 29.bxa5 Rxa4]

29.Rxb4∓ Ra3 -0.37/19

[29...Bd7∓ -0.92/22]

30.f5∓ e6 0.54/23

[30...gxf5∓ -0.48/20 31.exf5 f6]



31.f6+± Kg8 32.Rd4 Rc6 1.05/24

[32...d5= 0.04/23]

33.Rb4 -0.01/22

[Better is 33.Bb5± 1.05/24 Rcc3 34.R4d3]

33...b6 34.e5 d5 35.c4 Bf5? 2.95/21

[35...Kh7= -0.01/21 and Black stays safe.]

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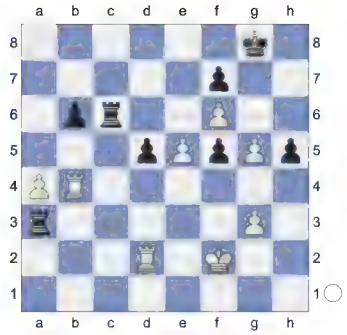
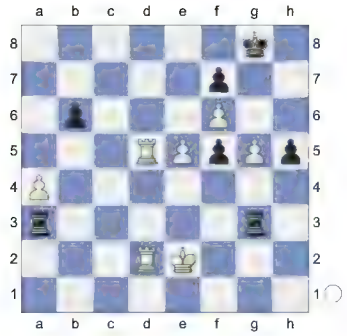
36.cxd5!+- exd5 37.Bxf5 gxf5
Endgame

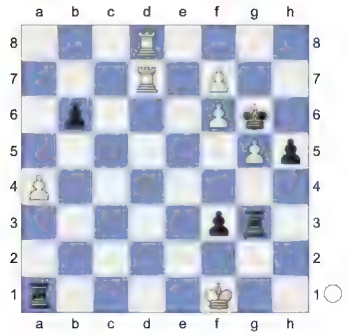


KRR-KRR **38.Rbd4** 0.74/20
[Stronger than 38.Rxd5 Rc2+ 39.Ke1 Rg2 40.Rd8+ Kh7=]
[38.Rdb2!+- 1.88/20]
38...Rcc3? 2.74/21
[38...Kh7± 0.74/20 was necessary.]
39.Rxd5 Rf3+

40.Ke2? 0.01/23
[40.Ke1!+- 2.90/22 f4 41.gxf4 Rfe3+ 42.Kf2 Rf3+ 43.Ke1 Rfe3+ 44.Kf1 Rf3+ 45.Rf2]
40...Rxg3 0.49/22
[40...Kh7!= 0.01/23]



41.Rd8+ 0.10/5
[41.Kf1!± 0.49/22 feels stronger. Rg4 42.Rd8+ Kh7 43.R2d7 Ra1+ 44.Kf2]
41...Kh7= 42.R2d7 f4
[42...Rxa4? is a self mate. 43.Rxf7+ Kg6 44.Rg7#]
43.e6 f3+? 12.41/22 White now steadily converts the win.
[43...Ra2+= -0.01/20 44.Kf1 Rh3]
44.Kf1+- Kg6 45.exf7 Ra1+



46.Kf2 Rh3 47.f8Q Ra2+ 48.Ke3 7.72/20
[⌓48.Rd2 #12/19 Rxd2+ 49.Rxd2 Rh2+ 50.Ke3 Rxd2 51.Kxd2 f2 52.Qg7+ Kf5 53.f7]
48...f2+ White is clearly winning. **49.Ke4 Rh4+ 50.Ke5 Re2+**

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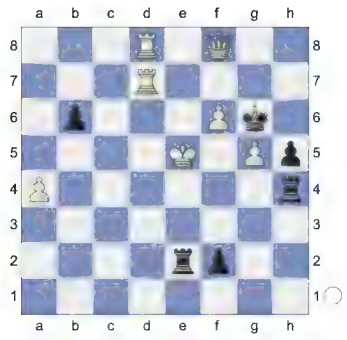
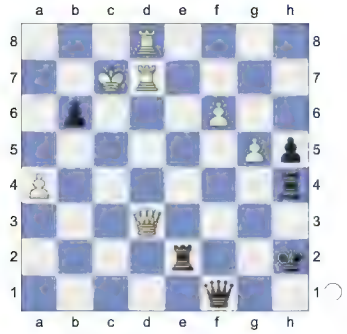
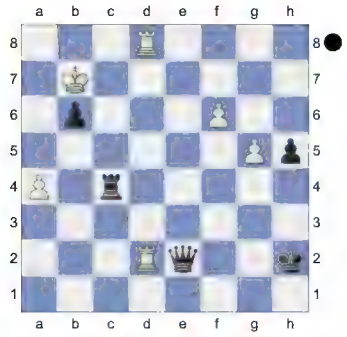


51.Kd6 f1Q 52.Qg8+ Kf5 53.Qd5+ Kg4 54.Kc7 Black must now prevent f7. **54...Kg3 55.Qd3+ Kh2**



56.Qxe2+!! Qxe2 57.Rd2 Rc4+ 58.Kb7



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32 **B73**

□ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**

■ **Andreikin,Dmitry** **2729**

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B73: Sicilian Dragon: Classical System without 9 Nb3

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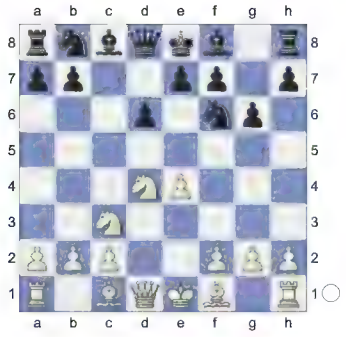


6.Be2 Nc6 7.Be3 Bg7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Qd2 Bd7 10.Rfd1! is now more promising than 10.Rad1.im Vergleich zu 10.Tad1 vielversprechender. **10...a6**

[10...Rc8 11.f3 Ne5 12.Nb3 a6 13.a4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.a5 Qc7 16.Bb6 Qb8 17.Nd4 Rfc8 18.Rac1 Be8 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 R8c5 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.Nb3 Bxb2 23.Qe2 Bb5 24.Qxe7 Bxc1 25.Rxc1 Ciocaltea,V (2681)-6. ♘a3 cd4 7.cd4 ♗d7 (2725) ICCF corr 2022 200 Traps In The Opening [Harding/Busemann] 0-1 (48)]

[10...Ng4 11.Bxg4 Bxg4 12.f3 Be6 13.b3 Rc8 14.Nce2 a6 15.Nxc6 bxc6 16.Bd4 f6 17.c4 c5 18.Bc3 f5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qc3+ Kg8 21.Nf4 Bd7 22.e5 Rc6 23.Re1 g5 24.Nh5 Qe8 25.exd6 Hantel,T (2753)-Bradley, M (2384) Belgrad 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 0-1 (54)]

11.a4 Rc8 12.f3 Re8 The position is equal. **13.Nxc6N**

[13.Bf1 Ne5 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Rc5 16.Ne6 Geller,E-Barczay,L Novi Sad 1978 CI1-130 [RR]]

13...Rxc6N

[Vorgänger: 13...Bxc6 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Nd7 16.c3 Ne5 17.Bf2 Nc4 18.Qc2 e6 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 1-0 Alonso,S (2506)-Felgaer,R (2579) Buenos Aires Duchamp Memorial-A 4th 2012 (8)]

14.Nd5 -0.27/20

[14.Na2± 0.37/19]

14...Be6 0.89/21

[14...Nxd5= -0.27/20 15.exd5 Rc8]

15.a5± Nd7

16.c4 Rc8 17.Nb6 0.50/22 &Bianco is much more active.

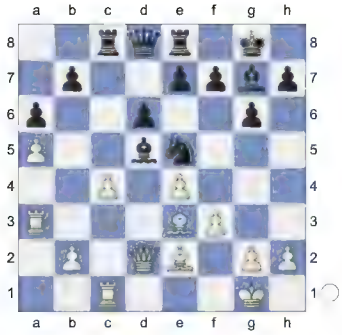
[17.Ra3± 0.86/16]

17...Rc6 18.Nd5 -0.01/18

[18.Qb4± 0.63/21]

18...Rc8!= 19.Ra3 Ne5 20.Rc1 Bxd5

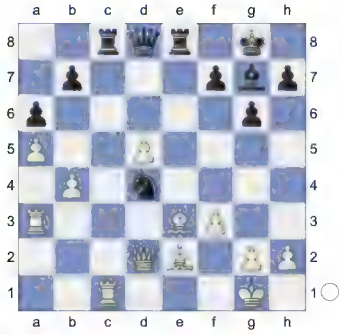
(Diagram)



21.Qxd5 Nc6 22.Qd2 e6 23.b4 d5 24.cxd5 exd5 25.exd5

[25.Qxd5 Qxd5 26.exd5 Bb2! 27.Rxc6 bxc6∓]

25...Nd4 0.68/21



26.Rxc8± Qxc8 27.Rd3 -0.01/23

[Weaker is 27.Bxd4 Rxe2! 28.Qxe2 *(28.Rc3 Qf5∓)* 28...Bxd4+ 29.Re3 Qc3∓]

[White should try 27.d6± 0.75/21]

27...Nf5? 1.61/20

[27...Nxe2+= -0.01/23 and Black is okay. 28.Qxe2 Bh6]

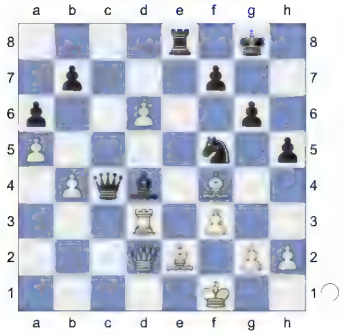
28.Bf4!+- Qc4 ...Rxe2! is the strong threat. **29.Kf1** 1.15/20

[⌓29.d6 1.51/20 Threatens to win with d7. Rd8 30.g3]

29...Bd4? 5.96/23

[29...Rd8± 1.15/20]

30.d6 h5



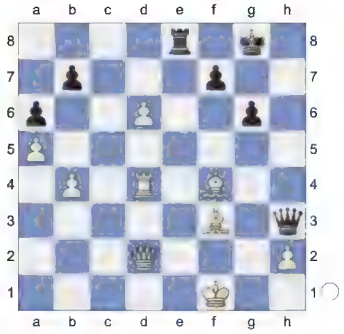
31.g4 hxg4 32.fxg4

[Don't do 32.d7 Rd8+-]

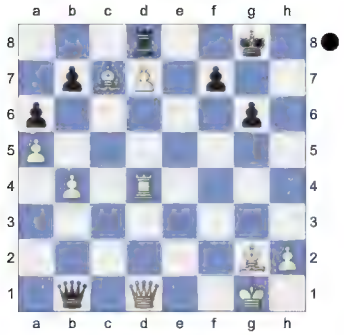
32...Qd5 8.13/22

[⌓32...Nxd6 4.65/22 33.Bxd6 Ba1]

33.Bf3 Qe6 34.gxf5 Qxf5 35.Rxd4 Qh3+



36.Bg2 Qg4 37.d7 Rd8 38.Bc7 Qf5+ 39.Kg1 Qb1+ 40.Qd1



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33 **B76**

□ **Lagrave,Maxime** **2742**

■ **Shevchenko,Kirill** **2684**

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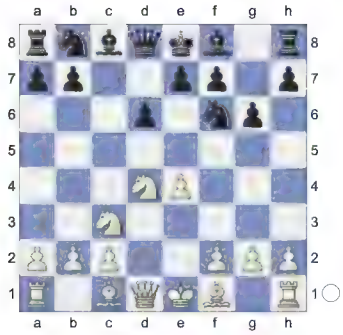
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

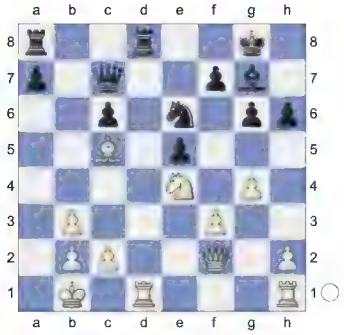


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

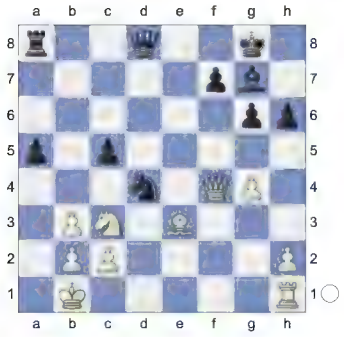
11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Be6 14.Ne4 Re8 15.Bc4 Qc7

16.Bb3 Red8 17.Qf2 Nf4 White is

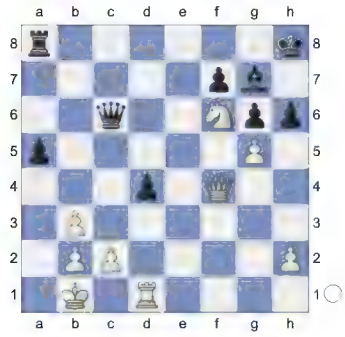
slightly better. **18.Kb1 Bxb3 19.axb3**
[19.cxb3 f5 20.Nc3 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 Rd8=]
19...h6 20.g4 Ne6



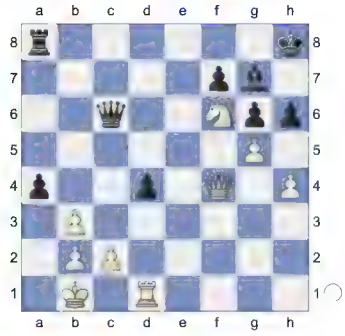
21.Be3N
[21.Bd6 feels hotter. Qb6 22.Qg3 Qa5 *(22...Nf4 23.g5 Nh5 24.Qh4 Qe3 25.gxh6 Qxh6 26.Qe7 Qf4* Sicilian Dragon-13. ♗c5 ♗e6 14. ♘e4 ♖e8 Survey 2009 Lexikon09 [Ftacnik] *)* 23.Rd2]
21...a5 22.Rxd8+ Qxd8 23.Nc3 Nd4 24.f4 exf4 25.Qxf4 c5



26.Rd1 Qe7 27.Nd5 Qb7 0.44/21
[27...Qd8!= 0.01/23 28.Nc3 *(28.Bxd4? Qxd5 29.Re1 cxd4-+)* 28...Qe7]
28.Nf6+±
[28.Bxd4? Qxd5 29.Rf1 *(29.c4? Qd8-+)* 29...cxd4-+]
28...Kh8! Threatens to win with ...a4.
[28...Bxf6 29.Qxf6 Qe4 30.Bxd4 cxd4 31.Qxd4±]
29.Bxd4 cxd4 30.g5
[30.Qxd4 Qa6 31.Qd5 *(31.g5? hxg5 32.Qd5 Bxf6-+)* 31...a4∓]
30...Qc6

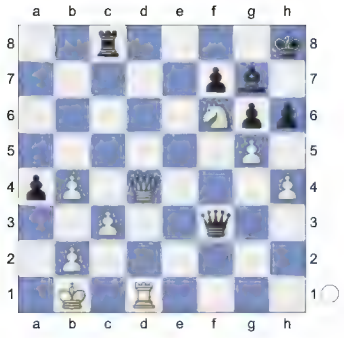


31.h4
[31.Qxd4 hxg5 32.Qd5 Qxd5 33.Nxd5 g4∓]
31...a4 1.01/22
[31...Bxf6± 0.66/23 32.gxf6 Kh7]

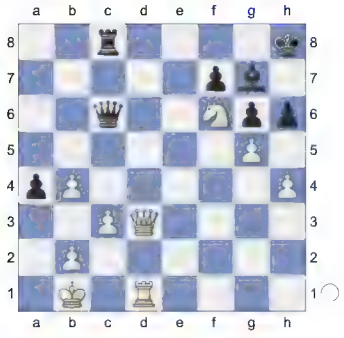


32.b4!±
[32.Qxd4?! axb3 33.cxb3 Qa6=]
32...Rc8 33.Qf2
[33.Qxd4?! Qxc2+ 34.Ka1 Qb3 35.gxh6 Bxh6 36.Nh5+ Kh7 37.Nf6+ Kh8 38.Nh5+ Kh7 39.Nf6+ Kh8=]
33...Qb5 1.93/20
[33...Bf8± 0.99/21]
34.Qxd4+- Strongly threatening Qd8+!
34...Qc6 35.c3 1.11/19 Active counter play!
[White should play 35.Rd2+- 1.93/20]
35...Qf3? 3.49/21
[35...Bxf6± 1.11/19 keeps fighting. 36.Qxf6+ Qxf6 37.gxf6 Kh7]

(Diagram)



This costs Black the game. **36.Qd3→** 1.87/20 Black is in trouble.
[⌓36.Ka2 3.49/21 Hoping for Qd8+! Bxf6 37.Qxf6+ Qxf6 38.gxf6]
36...Qc6? 4.35/23
[36...Qa8 1.87/20 37.Qd6 Qb7 38.Qd8+ Bf8]



37.Qd8+!! Bf8
[37...Rxd8 gets mated. 38.Rxd8+]
38.Qd5 Qc7 4.76/21
[38...Qxd5 3.19/20 is a better defense. 39.Rxd5 *(39.Nxd5 Kg7+-)* 39...hxg5]
39.Qd7 Qc4 7.23/23
[39...Qxd7 3.87/21 40.Rxd7 Kg7]
40.Rd4 Qf1+

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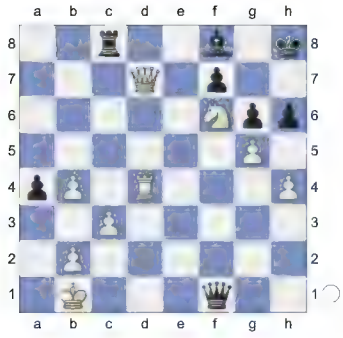
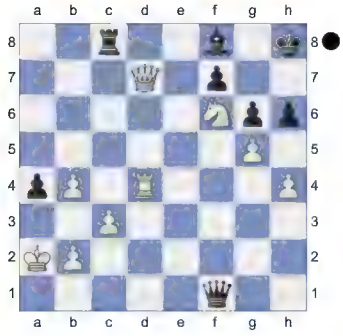


41.Ka2



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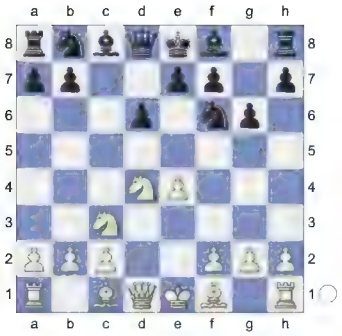
34	**B76**
□ **Niemann,Hans Moke**	**2736**
■ **Dubov,Daniil**	**2693**
Niemann-Dubov Raketa m (6)	27.05.25

[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)



6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Bg7 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

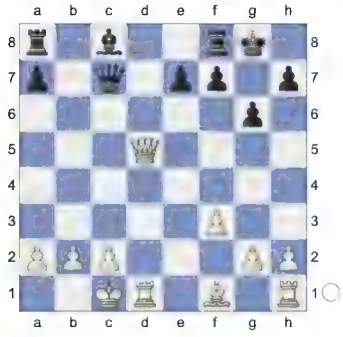
11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 Bxd4N

[12...e5 13.Bc5 Be6 *(13...Re8 14.Ne4 Qc7 15.h4 Bf5 16.h5 Nf4 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Ng5 h6 19.Bc4+ Nd5 20.Bxd5+ cxd5 21.Qxd5+ Kh8 22.Nf7+ Kh7 23.Ng5+ Kh8 24.g4 Rad8 25.Nf7+* 1-0 (25) Issabayev,D (2203)-Golsta,M (1979) Chess.com INT 2025 *)* 14.Ne4 Re8 15.g4 h6 16.h4 Qc7 17.g5 h5 18.Bc4 Red8 19.Qe1 *(19.Qf2 Qb7 20.Rhe1 Nf4 21.Bxe6 Nxe6 22.Bd6 Rd7 23.Rd2 Rad8 24.Red1 c5 25.Qf1 f5 26.Qc4 fxe4 27.Qxe6+ Kh7 28.fxe4 Qxe4 29.a3 Qxh4 30.Kb1 Qxg5 31.Rd3 Qf6 32.Qxf6 Bxf6 33.Bxc5 Rxd3* Werner,D-Johlke,L Calcutta 75/160 2005 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (44)*)* 19...Rab8 20.Rh2 Qb7 21.b3 Nf4 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Qa5 Rd7 24.Ba6 Qb8 25.Rd2 Rxd2 26.Qxd2 Bd5 27.Qa5 Hommeles,T (2412)-Samsonkin,A (2403) Edmonton 2009 CBM 132 Extra [Shabalov,Alexander] 1-0 (46)]

13.Qxd4 Qa5 0.77/19

[13...Qb6= 0.11/20 keeps the balance.]

14.Nxd5± cxd5 15.Qxd5 Qc7



White is slightly better. **16.Qc4** 0.36/20 &Bianco is more active.

[⌓16.Qxa8 0.67/20 Bf5 17.Qxf8+!! Kxf8 18.Bd3]

16...Qa5± 17.Qd5 Qc7 18.Qxa8 Bf5

Against Qe4 **19.Qxf8+! Kxf8 20.Bd3 Qf4+**

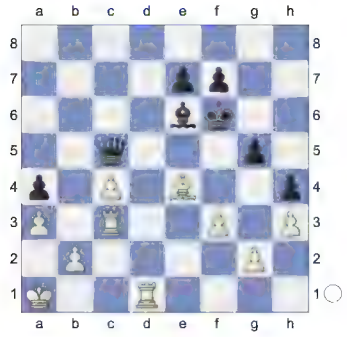
21.Kb1 Be6 22.h3 0.28/21

[22.Be4± 0.66/20]

22...Qg5= 23.Rhg1 h5 24.c4 h4

25.Rc1 0.01/22
[25.Ka1± 0.41/22 is superior.]
25...a5 0.59/21
[25...Qd2!= 0.01/22 26.Rcd1 Qf2]

26.Ka1 And now c5 would win. **26...a4 27.a3! Qc5! 28.Rgd1 Kg7 29.Be4 Kf6** 0.91/23
[29...Qg5± 0.53/23 should be considered.]
30.Rc3 0.52/24
[30.f4± 0.91/23]
30...g5±



31.Rd2 Ke5? 2.65/22
[31...Qg1+± 0.48/24 32.Ka2 Qf1]
32.Bd5? 0.42/23
[32.Bc2+- 2.65/22]
32...Bf5! (-> ...Qg1+) **33.Be4** 0.01/23
[33.Rc1± 0.63/21]
33...Be6= 34.Kb1? 0.53/23
[34.Bc2+- 2.59/23]
34...Kf4? 2.26/21
[34...Qg1+± 0.53/23 35.Rc1 Qc5]
35.Bc2+- Qg1+
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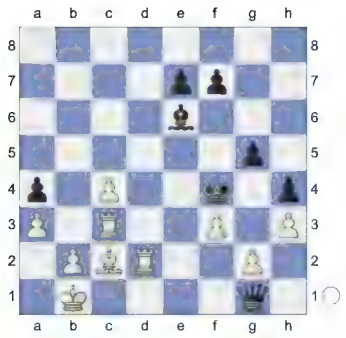
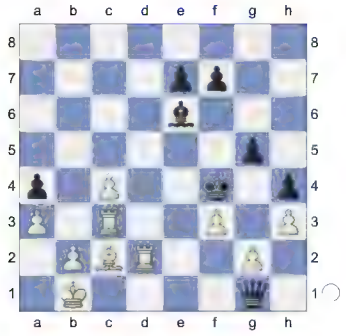
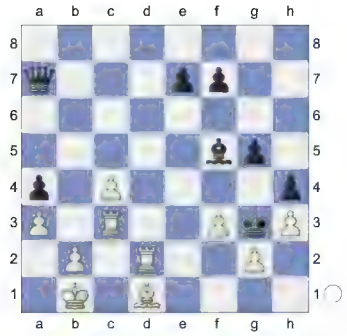


36.Ka2? 1.13/23
[36.Bd1+- 3.12/23 has better winning chances.]
36...Qa7 2.28/23
[36...Qf1± 1.13/23]
37.Kb1? -0.01/19
[37.Re2+- 2.28/23]
37...Qg1+=

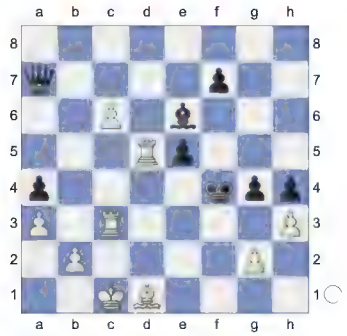


38.Ka2? -0.01/20
[38.Bd1!+- 2.61/23]
38...Qa7! 39.Bd1 1.42/21
[39.Re2+- 2.48/22]
39...Kg3 2.21/21
[39...f5± 1.42/21 40.Ka1 Bd7]
40.Kb1 Bf5+ 3.49/20
[40...Qa6 2.26/20 might work better. 41.c5 Qc6]

(Diagram)



41.Kc1+- Threatens to win with f4+!
41...Bd7? 6.06/22
[41...Bc8 2.88/19 42.c5 f5]
42.f4+ Kxf4 43.Rd5 2.80/22
[43.Rf3+ 7.99/22 Ke5 44.Re2+ Kd4 45.Rxe7 Kxc4 46.Rfxf7]
43...g4 44.c5↑ 1.33/18 Keeping Black busy.
[44.hxg4+- 2.75/20 Rf3+ is the strong threat. f5 45.c5]
44...e5? 3.88/21
[44...gxh3± 1.33/18 45.Rc4+ Ke3]
45.c6 Dancing on a razor blade.
45...Be6 4.59/20
[45...Bxc6 2.61/21 46.Rxc6 gxh3 47.gxh3 Qe3+ 48.Rd2 f5]



46.c7! gxh3
[46...Qg1 47.hxg4]

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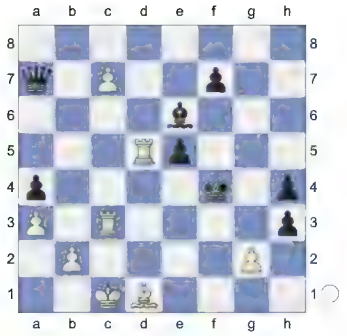
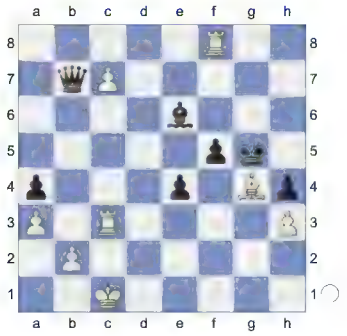
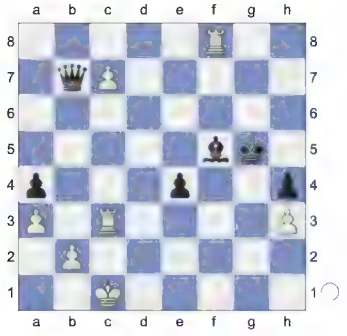


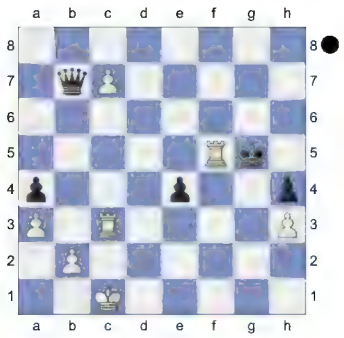
47.gxh3 Qb7
[47...Qa6 48.Rd8]
48.Rd8 e4 6.56/18
[⌓48...Kg5 4.18/20 49.Rg8+ Kf6]
49.Bg4 f5 50.Rf8? 1.91/21
[Worse is 50.c8B Bxc8 51.Rdxc8 fxg4 52.Rf8+ Ke5 53.hxg4 Qd7 54.Rf5+ Kd4∓]
[50.Re8 6.80/21 Bc8 51.Rf8]
50...Kg5? 13.93/24
[50...e3 1.91/21]



51.Bxf5! Bxf5
[51...e3 52.Bxe6]



52.Rxf5+!



Promotion.
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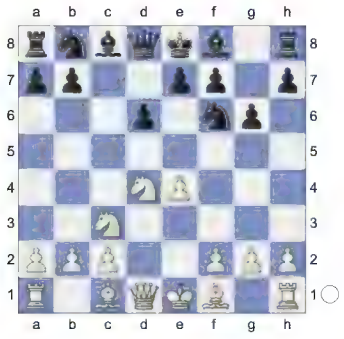
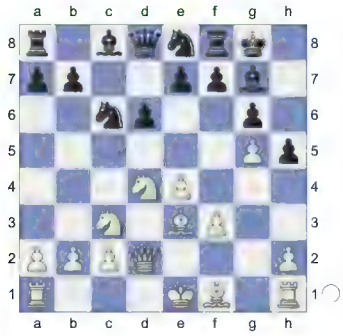
35	**B76**
□ **Aronian,Levon**	**2736**
■ **Abdusattorov,Nodirbek**	**2734**
155/78 D ? sseldorf	2023
[Kitty Kat]	

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

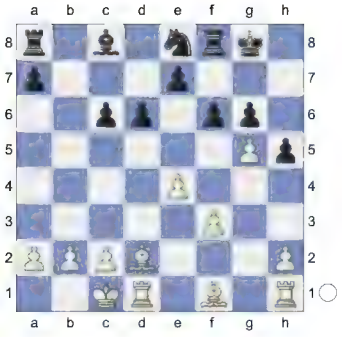


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.g4 h5 10.g5N 0.23/19
[10.h3± 0.57/19 d5 *(10...Bd7 11.0-0-0 Qa5 12.Kb1 Rfc8 13.g5 Nh7 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Kf8 16.c3 Ne5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.b3 Rcc8 20.c4 e5 21.Ne2 Bc6 22.Rhd1 Rd8 23.Ndc3 Ke7 24.f5 gxf5 25.exf5* Mrithyunjay,M (1816)-Kopczynski,M (2225) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (66)*)* 11.g5 Nh7 12.Nxd5 Be6 13.Ne2 Bxb2 14.Rb1 Bg7 15.Rxb7 Bxd5 16.Qxd5 Qc8 17.Rb5 Rd8 18.Qb3 Nf8 19.c3 a6 20.Rd5 Rxd5 21.Qxd5 Rb8 22.f4 e5 23.Qd2 exf4 24.Nxf4 Rb1+ 25.Kf2 Bilyk,J-Wisniewski,J Poland 1992 Corr Nr. 1 [ChessBase II] ½-½ (41)]
[10.gxh5 Nxh5 11.Be2 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Be6 14.0-0-0 Qa5 15.Kb1 Rac8 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Qc5 18.Qd2 Rfe8 19.Rhg1 Qf2 20.Rdf1 Qxh2 21.Re1 Qf4 22.Qxf4 Nxf4 23.Bb5 Nxd5 24.Bxe8 Rxe8 10.d5 ♘e5 11.♘xe5 ♗xe5 (2149)-Epishin (2333) Moscow 2017 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (54)]
10...Ne8

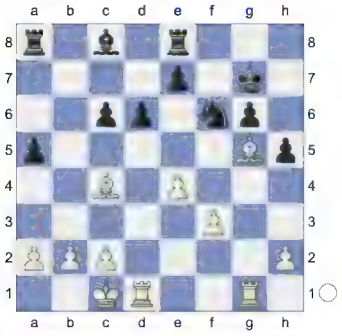


11.0-0-0 Qa5 12.Nb3 White is slightly better. **12...Bxc3 13.Nxa5 Bxd2+ 14.Bxd2 f6** 1.46/19
[14...Nxa5± 0.49/17 15.Bxa5 b6]
15.Nxc6± bxc6

(Diagram)

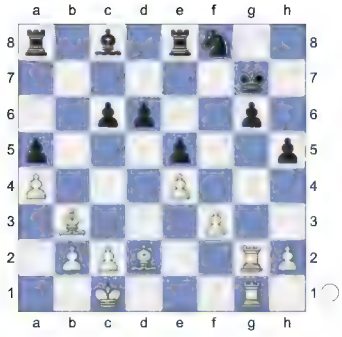


16.gxf6 Nxf6 17.Bh6 1.02/20
[Better is 17.Rg1 1.48/19]
17...Re8 18.Bc4+ Kh7 19.Bg5
Strongly threatening Bxf6. &Bianco is more active. A strong pair of Bishops.
19...Kg7 1.52/21
[⌓19...Nd7 1.03/21]
20.Rhg1 a5

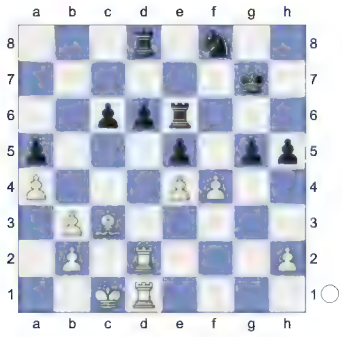


21.Rg2 And now Rdg1 would win.
21...Nd7 2.20/20
[21...d5± 1.31/21]
22.Rdg1

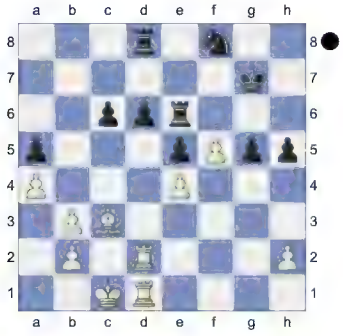
Threatens to win with Bxe7! **22...Ba6** 2.05/21
[22...Ne5± 1.50/20]
23.Bb3 Nf8 24.Bd2 Bc8 25.a4 e5



26.Bc3 Be6 27.Rd2 Bxb3 28.cxb3 Re6 29.Rgd1 Rd8 30.f4 g5 4.74/21
[30...Rb8 3.05/19 was worth a try. 31.Rxd6 Rxb3 32.fxe5 *(32.Bxe5+ Kf7+-)* 32...Rb8]



31.f5



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36 **B76**
□ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2736**
■ **Jones,Gawain C B** **2670**
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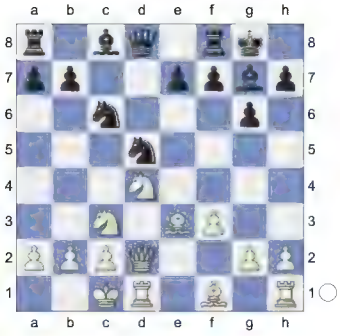
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5



11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Qb6 14.Na4 Qc7 15.c4 0.01/20
[15.Bc4!± 0.38/17 is superior. Rd8 *(15...Nb6 16.Bb3 Nxa4 17.Qxa4 c5 18.Rhe1 e6 19.Qe4 Bb7 20.Qe5 Rac8 21.Bc4 Qxe5 22.Rxe5 Rc7 23.Rd3 Kg7 24.g3 Kf6 25.f4 Ke7 26.Ra3 Bg2 27.Ra5 Kd6 28.Re2 Bh1 29.Re3 h5 30.Rea3* Alvarez Calzadilla,J (2364)-Kshatriya, N (2033) Sitges 2023 1-0 (55)) 16.Bb3 Bf5 17.g4 Nf4 18.Qe3 Be6 19.h4 Bxb3 20.axb3 Ng2 21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Qe4 Qf4+ 23.Qxf4 Nxf4 Kavakul,M (2746)-Molina,R (2770) Szirak 2009 Telechess CBM 89 [Olsson; Korrschack 3/2001]]

15...Nf4

16.g3 -0.37/20
[16.Qe3= 0.03/20]

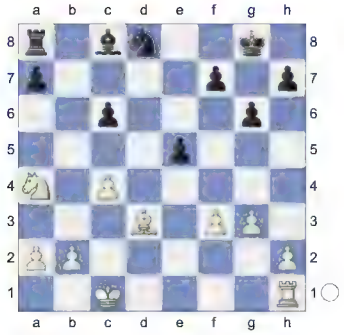
16...e5N 0.54/21
[16...Ne6 17.Qd2 Rd8 18.Bd3 Rd4 19.Rhe1 Ba6 20.b3 Rad8 21.Qc3 c5 22.f4 Bb7 23.f5 Ng5 24.Bc2 Nf3 25.Rf1 Nxh2 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.Rfe1 Ng4 28.Rxd4 cxd4 29.Qd3 Ne3 30.c5 Qxg3 31.Rxe3 Zbikowski (2489)-Fries,H (2244) Pula CRO 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (36)]

17.Qd6± Qxd6 1.24/21
[17...Qa5± 0.62/21 18.b3 *(18.gxf4 Qxa4 19.Bd3 Bh3∓; 18.Qxc6 Be6=)* 18...Ne6]

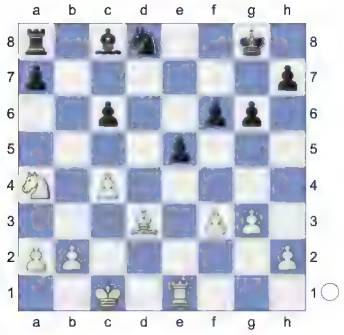
18.Rxd6± Ne6

19.Bd3 0.07/19
[White should play 19.Bg2!± 1.06/20]

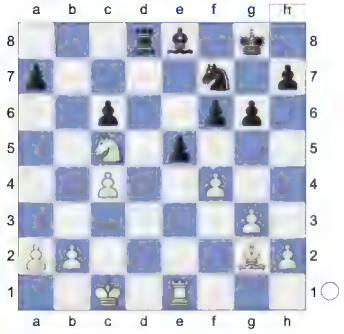
19...Rd8 0.68/22
[Black should try 19...Ba6!= 0.07/19]
20.Rxd8+± White now steadily converts the win. **20...Nxd8**



21.Re1 f6

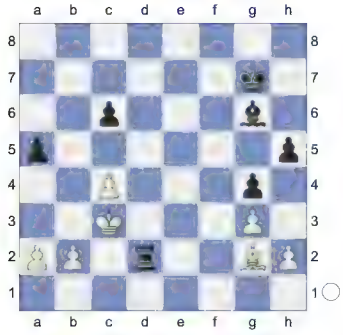


22.f4! Nf7 23.Be4 Bd7 24.Nc5 Be8 25.Bg2 &Bianco is much more active.
25...Rd8 1.47/21
[⌓25...Rc8 1.03/17]

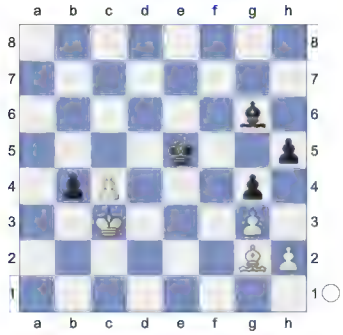


26.Kc2± Rd6 2.08/21
[26...g5± 1.37/19]
27.Bh3 Threatens to win with Ne4.
27...Kg7 28.Kc3 h5 29.Nd3 g5 30.fxe5 fxe5
(Diagram)

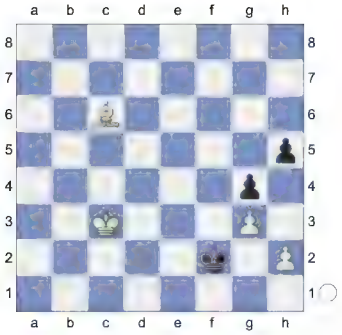
31.Nxe5 g4 White must now prevent ... Re6. **32.Nxf7 Bxf7+-** Endgame KRB-KRB **33.Bg2 Bg6 34.Re2**
[Don't take 34.Re7+?! Kf6 35.Re2 *(35.Rxa7 Rd3+ 36.Kb4 Rd2±)* 35...c5±]
34...a5 35.Rd2 Inhibits Rd3+. **35...Rxd2**



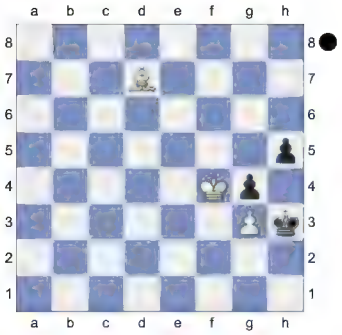
36.Kxd2 KB-KB **36...c5 37.Kc3 Kf6 38.a3** And now b4 would win. **38...Ke5 39.b4 axb4+ 40.axb4 cxb4+** 4.93/29
[⌓40...Kd6 3.29/30 41.b5 Kc7]



41.Kxb4 Kd4 42.c5 Be8 43.c6 Bxc6 44.Bxc6 Strongly threatening Be8. KB-KPP **44...Ke3 45.Kc3 Kf2**
(Diagram)



46.Kd4 White mates. **46...Kg1 47.Ke3 Kxh2 48.Kf4 Kh3 49.Bd7**



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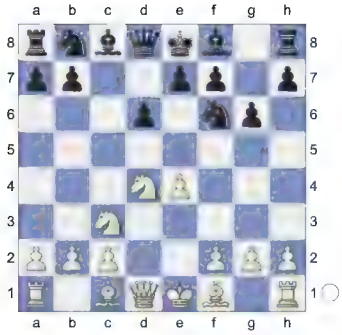
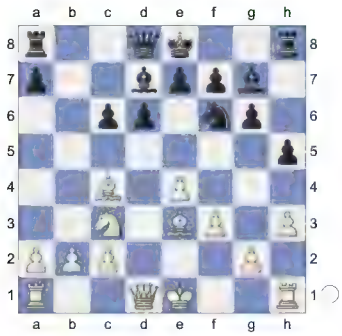
37 **B72**
□ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**
■ **Dubov,Daniil** **2693**
Niemann-Dubov Raketa m (18) 28.05.25
[Kitty Kat]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

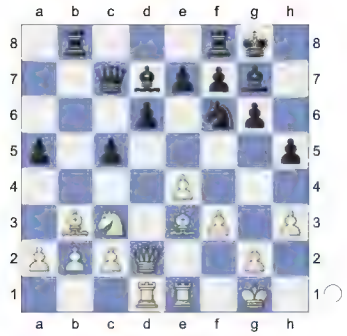


6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Against Ng4 **7...h5 8.h3**
[8.Qd2 Nxd4 9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Qxe3 Be6 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Rd4 a6 14.Ra4 Qd8 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qxe5 0-0 17.Rd4 Qb8 18.Qxb8 Raxb8 19.Bc4 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Rfc8 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Rd1 Kf8 Yoo,C (2603)-Dubov,D (2693) Chess, com INT 2024 1-0 (60)]
8...Bd7 White has an edge. **9.Nxc6N**
[9.f4 Bg7 10.Bd3 Nxd4 *(10...0-0 11.Nf3 Rc8 12.0-0 Nb4 13.Qd2 Nxd3 14.cxd3* IV.A5) Sicilian Dragon: Early-7...h5 #1*)* 11.Bxd4 e5 12.fxe5 dxe5 13.Be3 0-0 14.0-0 IV.A5) Sicilian Dragon: Early-7...h5 #2]
9...bxc6 10.Bc4 Bg7



11.Bb3 0-0 12.0-0 a5 13.Qd2 Rb8 14.Rad1
[14.Rfe1 with more complications. Qc7 15.Bf4 Nh7 16.Rad1]
14...Qc7 15.Rfe1 -0.10/20
[15.Bg5 0.24/17 might be stronger.]

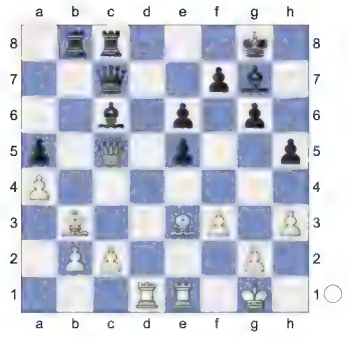
15...c5=



16.e5 dxe5 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.Qxd5 Bc6 19.Qxc5 Rfc8 20.a4!

[Of course not 20.Qc4 e6 21.Rb1 e4 22.fxe4 Qe5∓]

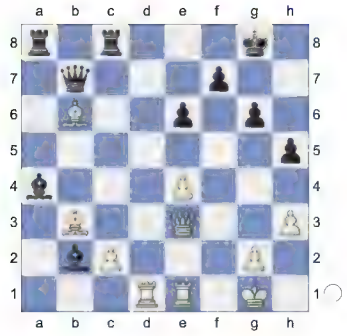
20...e6



21.Bd2 e4 22.fxe4 Bxb2 23.Bxa5 Qb7 24.Qe3 -0.43/22

[24.Rb1= -0.05/20 is superior. Be8 25.Qe3]

24...Ra8∓ 25.Bb6 Bxa4



26.Rb1 Bc3 27.Red1 Qc6 28.Bd4 Bxd4 -0.68/25

[28...Bxb3∓ -0.99/24 29.cxb3 Ra2]

29.Rxd4 Bxb3 30.cxb3 Qb6

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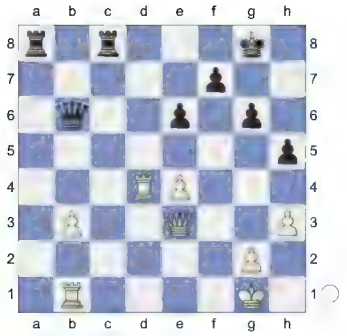
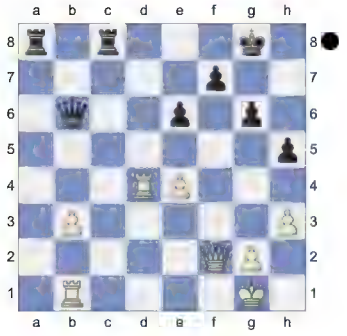
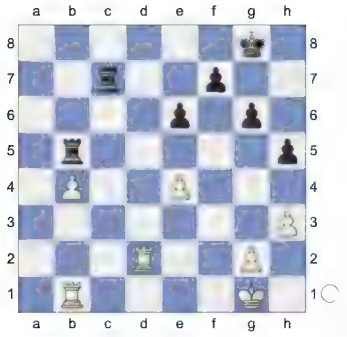


31.Qf2



Against Ra2 **31...Ra2! 32.Rd2 Qxf2+ 33.Rxf2** Endgame KRR-KRR **33...Ra5 34.Rd2 Rc7! 35.b4 Rb5**



36.Rd4 Inhibits Rc4. **36...Kg7 37.Kf2** -1.26/21

[⌓37.Kh2 -0.93/23]

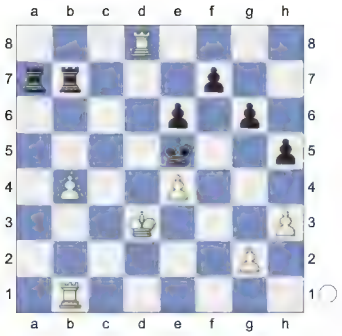
37...Kf6 -0.69/21

[37...Rc2+∓ -1.26/21 38.Kf3 Rc3+ 39.Kf2 Kf6]

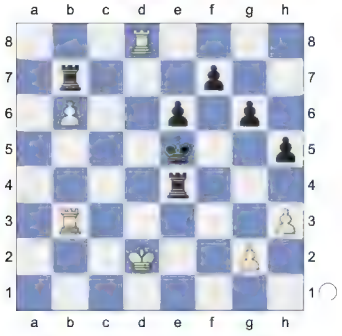
38.Ke3! Ke5 39.Kd3! Inhibits Rc3+. **39...Ra7 40.Rd8 Rbb7** 0.01/21

[40...Rb6∓ -0.59/21]

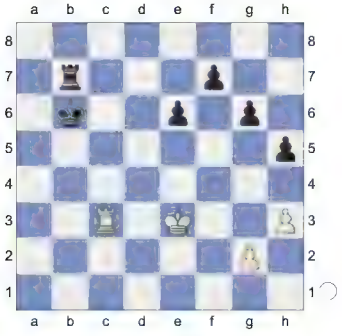
(Diagram)



41.b5= Rc7 42.Rb3 Against Ra3
42...Ra1 43.Ke3 Re1+ 44.Kd2 -0.55/24
[44.Kf3!= -0.01/24]
44...Rxe4∓ 45.b6 Rb7

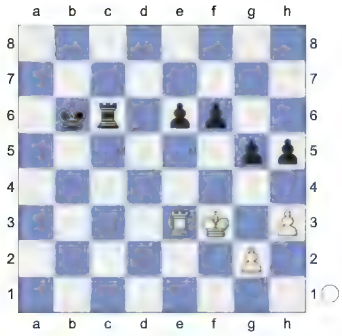


46.Kc3 -1.23/25 Prevents Rd4.
[46.Rb5+∓ -0.70/21 Kf6 47.Kc3]
46...Re3+∓ 47.Rd3 Rxd3+ 48.Kxd3 KR-KR **48...Kd5 49.Ke3** -2.19/25
[49.g4∓ -1.07/24 was necessary.]
49...Kc5 50.Rc3+ Kxb6

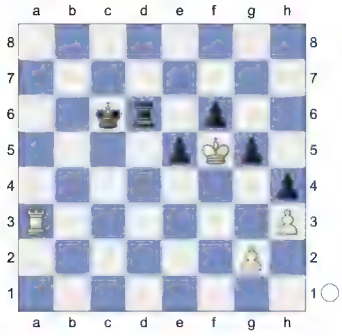


51.Kf4 f6 52.Re3 -2.89/23
[52.Ke4 -1.68/22 might work better.]
52...g5+ 53.Kf3 Re7 54.Rc3 Rc7 Against Rc8 **55.Re3 Rc6**

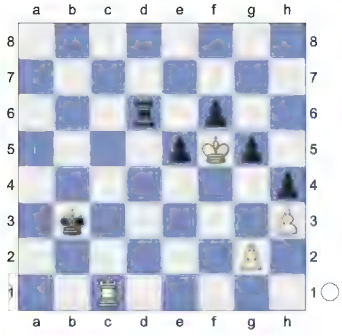
(Diagram)



56.Ke4 Kc7 57.Rf3 e5? -0.81/21
[57...Rc4+-+ -3.27/24 58.Kd3 Rf4]
58.Kf5 h4 -0.33/27
[58...Kb6∓ -0.96/25 Strongly threatening ...Kc5. 59.h4 gxh4]
59.Rd3 -0.83/26
[59.Ra3∓ -0.33/27]
59...Rd6! 60.Ra3 Kc6

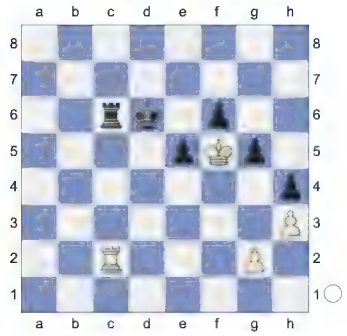


61.Ra2 Kc5 ...Kc4 is the strong threat.
62.Rc2+ Kd4 -0.01/22
[62...Kb5∓ -0.90/32 63.Rc1 Rc6 64.Rb1+ Kc5 65.Rc1+ Kb5 66.Rb1+ Ka5]
63.Rd2+= Kc5 64.Rc2+! Kb4 65.Rc1 Kb3

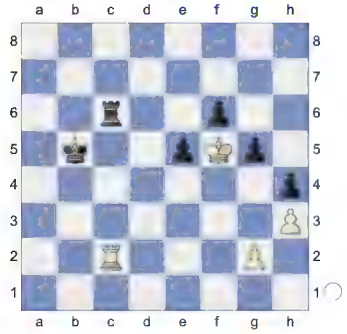


66.Rc8 Ka4 67.Rc1 Kb5 68.Rc2 Rc6

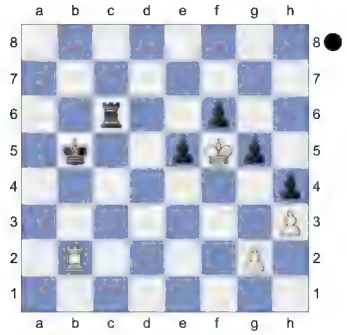
69.Rb2+ Kc5! White must now prevent ...Kd4. **70.Rc2+ Kd6**



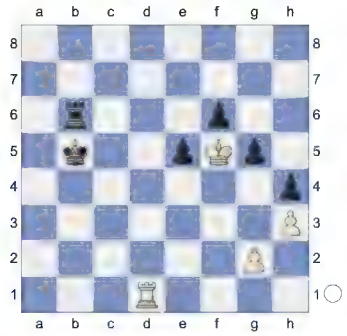
71.Ra2 Kd5 -0.01/23
[71...Kd7∓ -1.03/27 72.Ra7+ Kd8]
72.Rd2+ Kc5 And now ...Ra6 would win. **73.Rc2+ Kb5**
[73...Kb6!? 74.Rb2+ Kc5 75.Rc2+-+]
74.Rb2+! Kc4 -0.01/26
[74...Ka4∓ -1.02/33 75.Rb1 Ra6]
75.Rc2+ Kb5



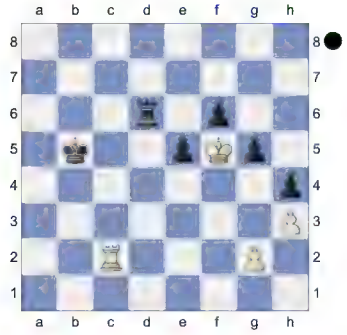
76.Rb2+!



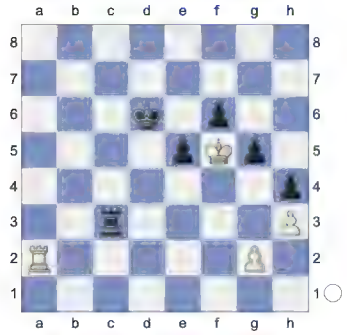
Ka5! 77.Rb1 Rb6 78.Ra1+ Kb5 79.Rc1 Rc6 80.Rd1 Rb6 -0.01/22
[80...Kc5∓ -1.15/31 Hoping for ...Rb6. 81.Rc1+ Kb5 82.Rb1+ Kc4 83.Rc1+ Kb5]



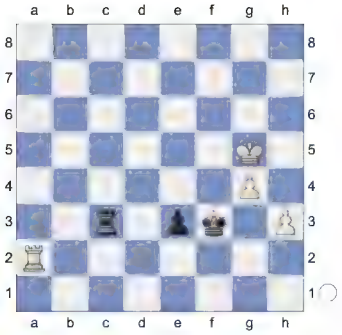
81.Rc1! Rd6 0.01/26
[81...Ka6∓ -0.38/29 feels stronger.]
82.Rc2



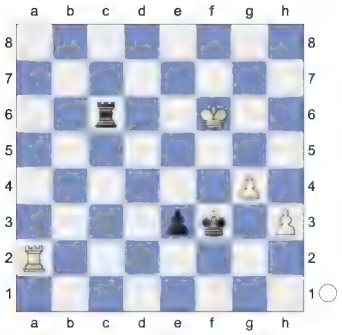
Rc6 0.01/23
[82...Kb6!∓ -1.00/29 83.Rb2+ Kc6]
83.Rb2+! Kc5 -0.01/23
[83...Ka4∓ -0.93/28 84.Rb1 Rd6]
84.Rc2+ Kd6 85.Ra2 Rc3 0.00/26
[85...Ke7∓ -0.94/23 86.Ra7+ Kf8]



86.Kxf6 The position is equal. **86...e4 87.Kxg5 Ke5 88.Kxh4 e3 89.Kg5 Ke4 90.g4 Kf3**
(Diagram)



91.Kf6 Rc6+ 92.Kf5 Rc5+ 93.Kf6 Rc6+ 94.Kf5 Rc5+ 95.Kf6 Rc6+



White happily takes the draw.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.16 (very precise)
½-½

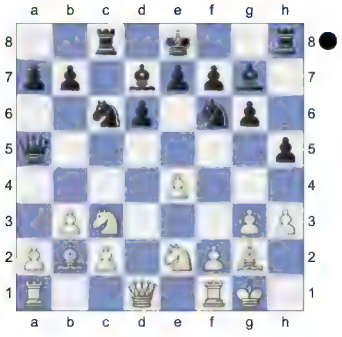
38 **B70**
□ **Yu,Yangyi** **2735**
■ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2710**
56th Biel GM Blitz 2023 (12.1) 22.07.23
[Kitty Kat]

B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)
Здравствуйте ещё раз! Переходим ко второму поединку матча Украина - Азербайджан. Пономарёв с Гашимовым, увы, игровую площадку уже покинули. С вами по-прежнему гроссмейстер Сергей Загребельный .
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.g3 Nc6 7.Nde2 Bg7 8.Bg2 h5
8...Bd7 is the modern continuation.
8...Ld7 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.
9.h3 Bd7 10.b3N
[10.a4 Qc8 11.Be3 Be6 12.Nd5 0-0 13.Rc1 Re8 14.b3 Rb8 15.c4 b6 16.Nef4 Bd7 17.0-0 Nh7 18.Kh2 h4 19.g4 Qd8 20.Ne2 e5 21.Qd2 Be6 22.f4 exf4 23.Nexf4 Rb7 24.Rf2 Rd7 Eaaioe-Daaeaeaaia Ханты-Мансийск 1-0 (41) 25.Rcf1 Ne5 26.Kh1 Nc6 27.Ne2 g5 28.Nf6+ Nxf6 29.Bxg5 Nxg4 30.Bxd8 Nxf2+ 31.Rxf2 Rdxd8 32.Qg5 Bc8 33.Nf4 Re5 34.Qxh4 Rde8 35.Nh5 R8e6 36.Qf4 f6 37.Bf3 Rg5 38.Bg4 Rxh5 39.Bxh5 Ne5 Ivanchuk,V (2768)-Radjabov,T (2744) Khanty Mansiysk RUS 2011 [Jones, Gawain] 1-0 (41)]
[10.Be3 Qc8 11.f4 b5 12.Qd2 b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Na5 15.Qxb4 Nc4 16.Bd4 Bxd4 17.Nxd4 Ne3 18.Be4 f5 19.Qb3 fxe4 20.Qxe3 Qc4 21.Qxe4 Bf5 22.Qe3 Qxd5 23.0-0-0 Qxa2 24.Rde1 0-0 Bartel,M (2648)-Sjugirov,S (2675) chess.com (Int.-rapid) 145/57 2020 Chess Informant 145 [Paunovic, Tomislav] ½-½ (57)]
10...Qa5

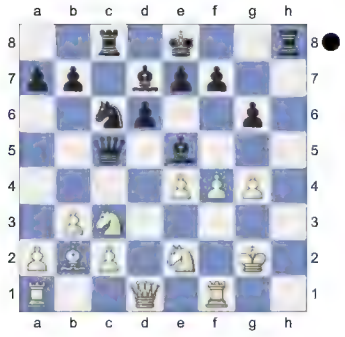
(Diagram)

The position is equal. **11.Bb2 Rc8 12.0-0** -0.73/20
[12.Qd2= 0.08/17 keeps the balance.]



12...h4!∓ &Nero is more active. **13.g4N**
[Predecessor: 13.Nd5 Ne5 14.Bxe5 -0.81/20 *(14.g4∓* -0.48/19 *)* 14...dxe5∓ 15.Nxf6+ -1.15/19 *(*White should try *15.g4* -0.77/19 *)* 15...Bxf6∓ 16.g4 b5 17.a3 -1.52/20 *(⌓17.Qc1* -1.16/19 *)* 17...Qc7∓ 18.Ra2 Be6 19.Qd3 0-1 Betancourt, Y-Rosabal Contreras,Y (2294) CUB-ch U20 sf 2000 (1)]
13...Nxg4 14.hxg4? -2.64/21
[14.Kh1∓ -0.56/17]
14...h3-+ 15.f3 -4.87/21
[Much worse is 15.Bf3 Ne5 16.Bh1 h2+ 17.Kg2 Bxg4-+]
[15.Bh1 -2.28/20]
15...Qc5+
[But not 15...hxg2? 16.Kxg2 f5 17.Qd5-+]

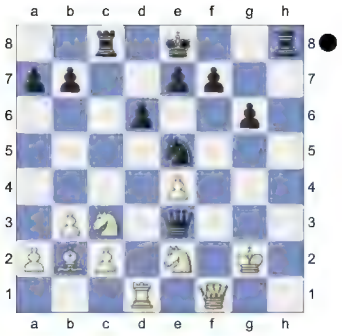
16.Kh2 Be5+ 17.f4 And now Bf3 would win. **17...hxg2+ 18.Kxg2**



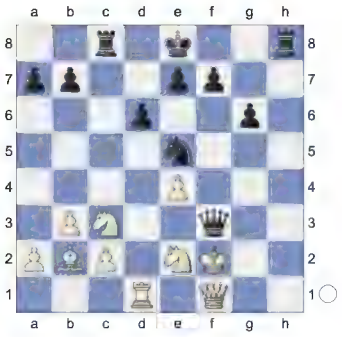
Bxg4! 19.fxe5
[19.Qd2 Bh3+]
19...Bh3+? -2.98/5
[19...Qe3 -8.18/23 (-> ...Bh3+) 20.Nf4 Bxd1 21.Raxd1 Nxe5]
20.Kg3 Bxf1

21.Qxf1 Qe3+ 22.Kg2 Nxe5 23.Rd1

(Diagram)



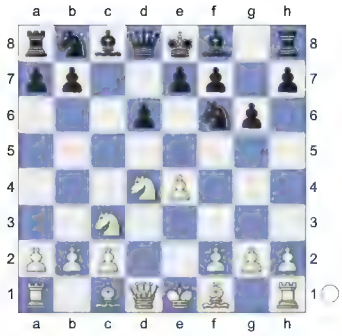
Qh3+ -5.30/5
[⌓23...Rxc3! -#9/19 24.Rd3 Rxd3 25.Bxe5 Qh3+ 26.Kg1 Qh1+ 27.Kf2 Rf3+ 28.Ke1 Qxf1+ 29.Kd2 Rh1 30.Ng1 Rxg1 31.Bh8 Rg2#]
24.Kf2 Qf3+



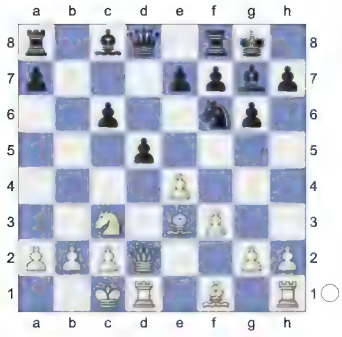
White did not feel at home in the position after the opening.
Weighted Error Value: White=1.01/ Black=0.68
0-1

39 **B76**
□ **Simbelmyne** **2733**
■ **Pseudo** **2417**
Rapid 26.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 5min+5sec
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 g6
(Diagram)



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.Nxc6 bxc6

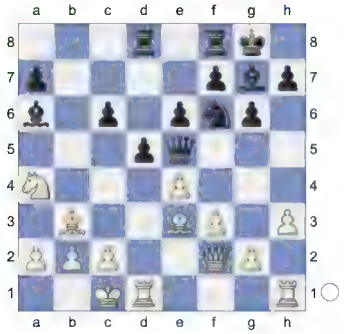


11.Bc4 e6 12.Bb3 Qc7
[12...Bb7 13.Na4 Nd7 14.h4 Qe7 15.Qa5 Rfc8 16.Nc5 d4 17.Nxd7 dxe3 18.Qc5 Qxc5 19.Nxc5 Rab8 20.g3 Ba8 21.Rhe1 Rb5 22.Nd3 c5 23.Bc4 Ra5 24.Rxe3 Ra4 25.Bb3 Ra5 26.c4 Bc6 27.Re2 Sevian,S (2668)-Mamedov,R (2673) Riga LAT 2021 [Chris Ward] 1-0 (38)]
13.h3N
[13.h4 dxe4 *(13...Bb7 14.h5 Nxh5 15.g4 d4 16.gxh5 dxe3 17.Qxe3 Qb6 18.Qxb6 axb6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Na4 Ra6 21.Rd7 Ba8 22.c4 Rc8 23.c5 bxc5 24.Nxc5 Rb6 25.Rhd1 Re8 26.Ra7 Rb5 27.Na4 c5 28.Rdd7* Yun,H (2213)-Tran,D (2218) Hanoi 2025 ½-½ (46)*; 13...Rd8 14.Bf4 e5 15.Bh6 Be6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.h5 dxe4 18.h6+ Kf8 19.Qg5 Qe7 20.Bxe6 Qxe6 21.fxe4 Ke8 22.Rdf1 Ng8 23.Rh3 Rd7 24.b3 Qe7 25.Qg3 Qe6 26.Na4 Rd4 27.Qc3 Rad8*

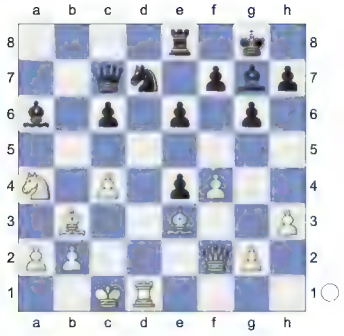
28.Nc5 Matyassy,L (2234)-Srikant Koduri,A (2089) Budapest 2024 1-0 (56) *)* 14.h5 exf3 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Bc5 fxg2 17.Qxg2 Ii Quickstarter Guide-2...d6 complex: Dragon Sicili]

13...Ba6 14.Na4 The position is equal. **14...Rad8 15.Qf2 Qe5** 0.65/20

[15...Nd7= 0.26/17 might be stronger.]



16.Bxa7 dxe4 17.f4 Rxd1+ 18.Rxd1 Qc7 19.c4 Inhibits Nd5. **19...Nd7 20.Be3 Re8**



21.Qd2 Bc8 22.Nc3 Bxc3 23.Qxc3 e5 24.fxe5 &Bianco is more active. **24...Nxe5 25.Bc2** Against Nd3+ **25...f5**

26.Bh6 0.36/19

[26.a4± 0.85/19]

26...Be6 0.85/20

[26...c5± 0.36/19]

27.b3± c5 28.Be3 Bf7 29.a4 Be6 30.Bg5 0.32/20

[Better is 30.Kb2± 0.73/18]

30...Nf7 0.72/19

[30...Nc6± 0.32/20]

31.Bd2! Qh2 1.29/19

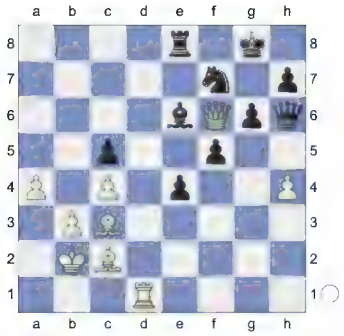
[31...Nd8!= 0.00/18 remains equal.]

32.Qf6! Bc3 is the strong threat. White stays focused until the end. **32...Qxg2** 1.74/22

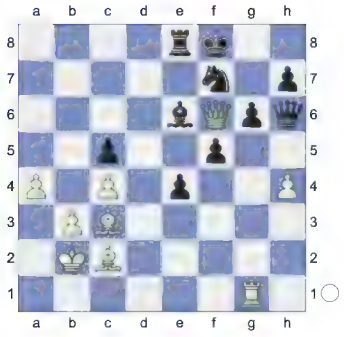
[32...Qd6± 1.39/21]

33.h4!+- Qg3 34.Bc3→ White has strong compensation. White goes for the king. **34...Qf4+ 35.Kb2** Dancing on a razor blade. **35...Qh6**

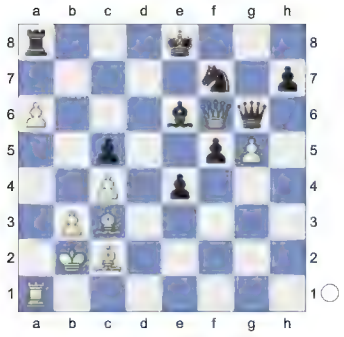
(Diagram)



Against Qg7+ **36.Rg1** Against g5. And now h5! would win. **36...Kf8**

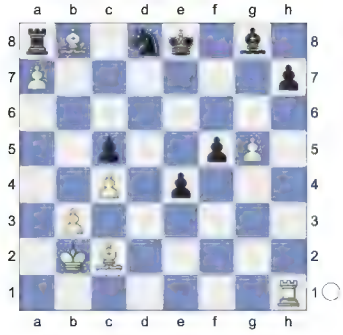


37.a5!
[37.h5 g5±]
37...g5
[37...Kg8? 38.h5 g5 39.Qxh6 Nxh6 40.Rxg5+ Kf7 41.Rg7+ Kf8 42.Rxh7+-]
38.hxg5 Qg6 39.a6 Ra8 40.Ra1 Ke8 2.62/20
[⌓40...Ra7 1.85/19 41.Ra5 Qxf6 42.Bxf6 *(42.gxf6 h5±)* 42...Ke8]

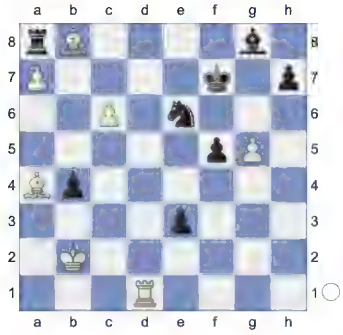


41.a7 Threatens to win with Ra6.
41...Qxf6 42.Bxf6 Hoping for Ra6.
[Resist 42.gxf6 Nd8]

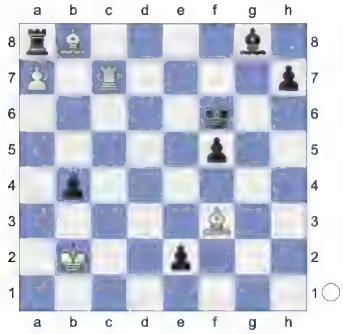
42...Nd6 43.Be5 Nb7 44.Bb8 Nd8 45.Rh1 Bg8



46.b4 cxb4 47.Ba4+ Ke7 48.c5 e3 49.c6 Black must now prevent c7.
49...Ne6 50.Rd1 Kf7

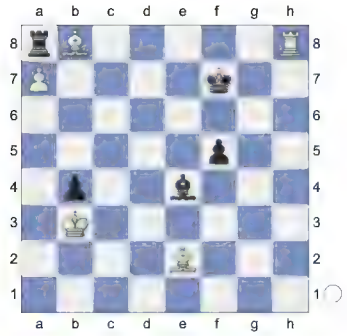


51.Rd7+ Kg6 52.Bd1 Kxg5 53.Bf3 Kf6 54.c7 Nxc7 55.Rxc7 e2

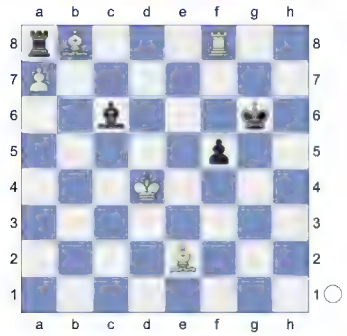


56.Bxe2 Bd5 57.Rd7 Be4 58.Rxh7 Kg5 59.Kb3 Kg6 60.Rh8 Kf7

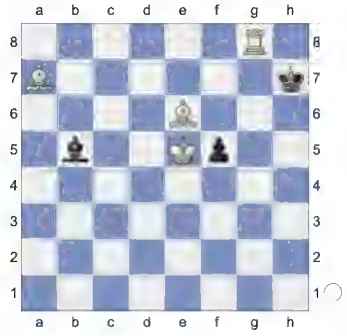
(Diagram)



61.Kxb4 Kg6 62.Kc5 Bb7 63.Rg8+ Kh7 64.Rf8 Threatening mate with Rf7+. **64...Kg6** Against Rf7 **65.Kd4** Intending Ke5 and mate. **65...Bc6**

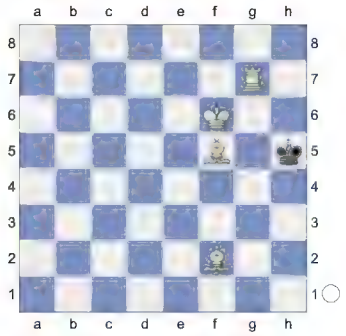


66.Ke5 White threatens Rf6+ and mate. **66...Be4 67.Rg8+ Kh7 68.Bc4 Bd3 69.Be6 Rxa7 70.Bxa7 Bb5**

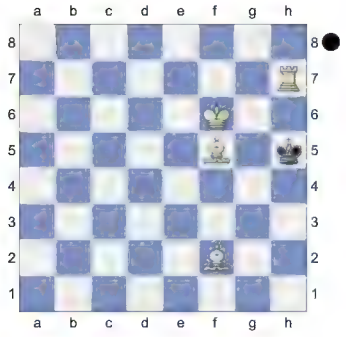


71.Kf6 Bd7 72.Rg7+ 10.91/5
[⌓72.Bf7 #4/12 f4 73.Rg2 Kh8 74.Rh2+ Bh3 75.Rxh3#]
72...Kh6 73.Bxd7 12.41/5
[⌓73.Be3+ #4/10 Kh5 74.Bxd7 Kh4 75.Bxf5 Kh5 76.Rh7#]
73...Kh5 74.Bf2 14.34/5
[⌓74.Be3 #3/8 Kh4 75.Bxf5 Kh5 76.Rh7#]

74...Kh6 75.Bxf5 Kh5



76.Rh7#



Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.22 (precise)
1-0

40 **B78**
□ **Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi** **2731**
■ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2701**
PRO League KO 2023 (3.4) 14.05.2023
[Chris Ward]

B78: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 0-0-0 Rc8
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rc8

[10...Rb8 11.Bb3 Na5 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b5 14.g4 Nxb3+ 15.Nxb3 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Rb6 18.Rhe1 e5 19.dxe6 fxe6 20.Re3 Rf7 21.Nd2 d5 22.Nb3 Qc7 23.Kb1 Rb8 24.Rde1 Rc8 25.R1e2 Dominguez Perez,L (2717)-Carlsen,M (2776) Linares 2009 CBM 129 [Rogozenco,Dorian] 0-1 (54)]

11.Nxc6N And there's that move again but making its debut on the site for the first time in this particular position. To be fair Black has three plausible ways to recapture but whereas ...bxc6 might be automatic in other scenarios where White can't then flick in e4-e5, the whole bringing the rook to the (once) half-open c-file is basically time wasted and arguably detrimental. In addition of course, White's light-squared bishop would not require withdrawal either. As the pawn would control the d5-square, I wouldn't rule that out but with the rook recapture immediately hitting the bishop, the talented Indian's choice feels like a reasonable middle ground!

[Relevant to my comments to Black's 12th move in this game, 11.Bb3

A) 11...Ne5 12.h4 a5 13.a4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.Ndb5 h5 *(16...Bxb5 17.Nxb5 h5 18.Kb1 Nd7 19.g4* B 78/07) 17.Bd4 e5 18.Be3 d5 19.Nxd5 Bxb5 20.axb5 Nxd5 21.Qxd5 Qc7 22.Qd6 B 78/07;

B) 11...a6 12.h4 h5 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Bh6 b5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5 Rh8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Qg2 gxf3 20.Qxf3 Bd7 21.Rxh8 Qxh8 22.Rh1 Qd8 23.Qf4 e6 24.Qxd6 Rc6 25.Qf4 Nh5 26.Qd2 Parnes,S (1378)-Doolin,B Cardiff 2022 1-0;

C) 11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 b5 is of course the Topalov System where in some hopefully useful Maths, amongst the main 4 moves, 13.Nd5 is played 57% of the time, 13 h4 19% of the time, 13 Bxa7 appears 14% with 13 e5 just 10%.]

11...Bxc6 The bishop controls the d5-square with the option for a discovered attack against its opposite number with the d7-square vacated for the knight too.

12.Bb3 The natural retreat that deals with the just hinted at threat of ...Bxe4.

12...a5 Here basically is the split in plans for Black. The text looks to put the bishop to good use by bringing ...a4 to the party but of course as in the game he must be prepared for White to immediately halt this pawn himself. The other move which suggests itself is

[12...b5!? which the eagle-eyed amongst you may have noticed is just

a Topalov System but with White's bishop on e3 rather than d4 and Black's bishop on c6 rather than d7. With that comparison in mind, it strikes me that the 57% 13 Nd5 move is off the table as a threat given Black can simply trade it for his bishop (currently on c6 rather than d7!) whilst 13 e5 is poor. I think the race is looking okay for Black after 13 h4 a5 and that then goes some way to explaining why practical play has seen 13.Bxa7 b4 when 14.Nd5 Nxd5! 15.exd5 Qa5!

A) Upon 16.Be3 -0.01/21 16.dxc6 0.41 Ba4 will bring forth plenty of a-file pressure.;

B) Note 16.Bd4 Bxd5! 17.Bxg7? -4.62/21 *(17.Bb6∓* -1.17/20 is more resistant. *Qxb6 18.Bxd5)* 17...Bxb3 would be winning for Black.;

C) 16.dxc6 Qxa7 has occurred in practice e. g. 17.Qxb4 Rxc6 18.Rhe1 Ra6 *(18...e6* (looking to get in ...d5) *19.Rxd6 Qe7 20.Rd4 Qg5+ 21.f4 Qxg2 22.Rd2* would also be imbalanced fun. Black's kingside is rock solid whilst it will be difficult for White to advance his big queenside pawn majority with so many pieces on.*)* 19.Rd5 -0.01/20 with clear half-open files, Dragon bishop etc. compensation for the pawn in Paravyan,D (2601)-Zakhartsov,V (2547) Sochi RUS 2023. *(19.a3±* 0.40/22 is more appropriate. *)*]

13.a4 Obviously making it more difficult to get in ...b5 though this weakens the b4-square and the bishop position on b3. Prevents b5. **13...Qe8** **14.Qe2** Prevents b5. The position is equal.

[Preventing the ...b5 break which given say 14.h4 -0.59/19 14.Qe2 0.24 b5! 15.axb5 Bxb5 16.h5 Black must now prevent hxg6. a4 17.Ba2 hxg6 is the strong threat. a3 seems like a reasonable decision. Nevertheless important to see then would be 18.hxg6 -0.93/20 *(18.bxa3∓* -0.36/20 *Nxh5 19.Bd4 Bxd4 20.Qxd4)* 18...axb2+∓ 19.Kb1 Bc4! *(*Rather than *19...hxg6?* 2.67/20 19...Bc4 -0.94 *20.Bh6!* with massive h-file problems. *)*]

[14.Bb6 looks sharper. Nd7 15.Bd4 Nc5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.h4]

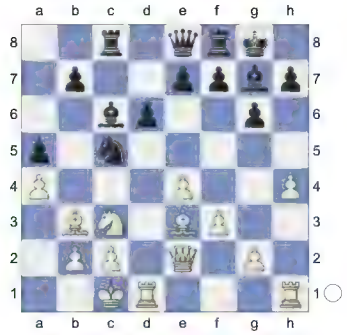
14...Nd7 Again very logical, aiming the steed for c5 with the option there too to take on c3. **15.h4**

[15.Bd4 feels hotter. Nc5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qc4]

15...Nc5

[Hitting the bishop but specifically threatening to take on a4, Having moved the knight from f6, personally I wouldn't fancy 15...h5 16.g4!]

[15...Bxc3 keeps more tension. 16.bxc3 Nf6 17.Bh6 Bxa4 18.Bxf8 Bxb3 19.cxb3 Kxf8 20.e5 dxe5 21.Qxe5 a4]



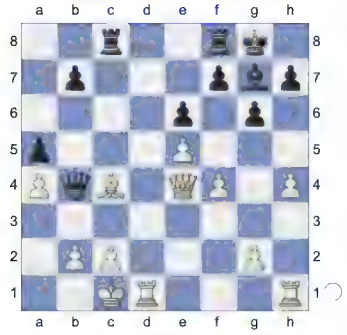
16.Bxc5

[16.h5 Hoping for Bxc5. Nxb3+ 17.cxb3 b5 clearly leaves chances for both sides. Black obviously has

some queenside action whilst although his own king is without the defensive knight, the white queen being on e2 rather than d2 slows things down a little.]

16...dxc5 **17.e5!** Blunting the Dragon bishop and reclaiming some dark-squared control must be the way forward given an h-file mate would no longer be swift. **17...e6** Despite my last comment, if White gets in h4-h5 and e5-e6, that would be tricky and hence the text blunting White's bishop. **18.f4** **Qe7** **19.Nb5** -1.09/20

[19.Ne4 Bxe4 20.Qxe4 c4 0.80/21 *(20...Rfd8±* 0.34/21 *)* 21.Bxc4± Qb4



22.Bd3 0.01/21 *(White should try 22.b3!±* 0.84/20 *)* 22...Qxe4= 23.Bxe4 Rc4 24.Rhe1 Rxa4 perhaps seems likely to end in a draw but Black still has two pieces to try and activate whilst control of the d-file should count for something for White.]

[19.Ne4= 0.29/22 remains equal.]

19...Rcd8?! 0.58/21

[Far from ridiculous looking but 19...Bh6! challenges White to protect his f-pawn whilst there is still some appeal in the]

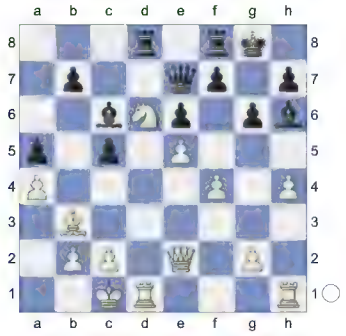
[19...c4!? 20.Bxc4 Qb4! sacrifice]

[19...Bxb5 0.36/21 19...Bh6 -0.94 is a bit grovelly with 20.Qxb5 , leaving the white queen bossing, hitting the a5-pawn as well as the d7-square.]

[19...Bh6∓ -1.09/20 20.Rhf1 Qxh4]

20.Nd6!± Clearly where the knight was aiming with it not being so easy to undermine the supporting e5-pawn. **20...Bh6** 1.11/22

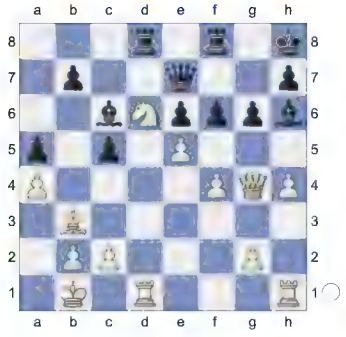
[Black should play 20...Rd7± 0.36/20]



Alas too late. **21.Qg4±** Not possible previously as Black could have taken the knight which was then on b5. 0x0. 001c124ed25fdp-1022s more active pieces. **21...Kh8** **22.Kb1** Unpinning the f-pawn and just generally useful. **22...f6** 2.33/21

[Given what Black could have played 22...f5 immediately but White still has a clear advantage.]

[22...f5± 1.07/23 23.Qg3 b6]



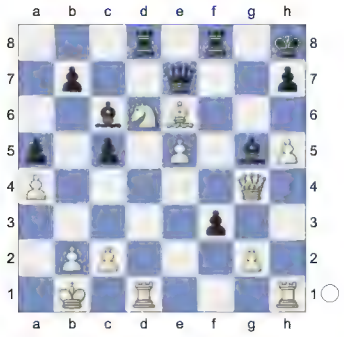
This costs Black the game. **23.h5!+-**

[Inferior is 23.Bxe6 f5 24.Bxf5 gxf5 25.Nxf5 Qe6 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Nxh6 Qxh6∓]

[Not 23.Qxe6 Qxe6 24.Bxe6 Kg7±]

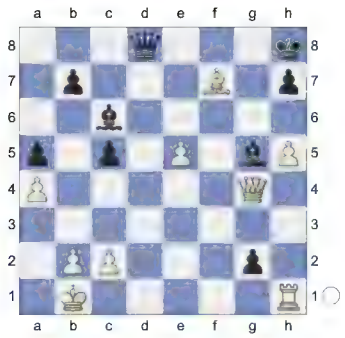
23...f5 24.Qg3 g5 At least keeping the h-file closed. **25.fxg5 f4**
[Or 25...Bxg5 26.Bxe6! with Qxe6 27.Qxg5 And now Nf7+! would win. Qxe5? 9.54/27 *(27...h6* 2.68/22 *28.Qg6 Qxg6 29.hxg6 Kg7)* 28.Qxd8!+- Rxd8 29.Nf7+ rather visual!]

26.Qg4 Bxg5 27.Bxe6 With the black queen overloaded, now Nf7+ is threatened. **27...f3?** 6.74/21
[27...Be8 2.65/20 28.Bc4 h6]

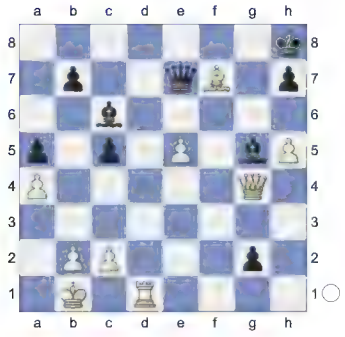


28.Nf7+! Played anyway! **28...Rxf7 29.Rxd8+ Qxd8 30.Bxf7 fxg2** 7.29/22
[⌓30...f2 4.98/19 31.Rf1 Be3]

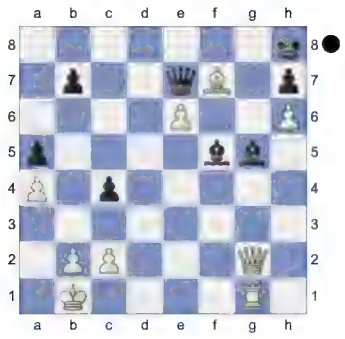
(Diagram)



31.Rd1 Black's g-pawn is well monitored allowing him to press on. **31...Qe7**



32.h6! A nice touch creating serious back-rank problems for Black. **32...Bd7**
[32...Bxa4 33.Qc8+]
33.Qxg2 12.30/23
[More than adequate although 33.Rxd7 g1Q+ 34.Qxg1 Qxd7 35.Qxg5 Qxf7 36.Qd8+ Qg8 37.Qf6+ was nicer!]
[⌓33.Rxd7 #6/14 g1Q+ 34.Qxg1 Qxf7 35.Rxf7 Kg8 36.e6 c4 37.Qxg5+ Kh8 38.Qg7#]
33...Bf5 34.e6 c4 35.Rg1



Now mate is coming down the g-file.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very

precise) /Black=1.02
1-0

41 **B76**
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■ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2701**
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[Chris Ward]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
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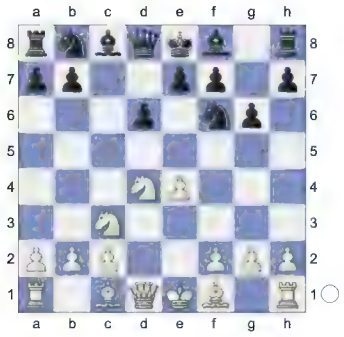
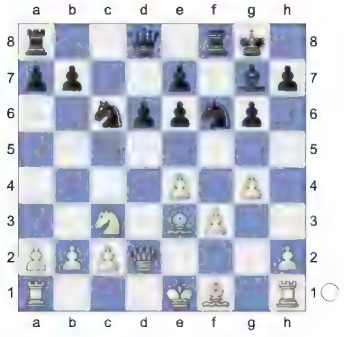


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.g4 Be6 10.Nxe6 fxe6



11.Be2N
[A very rare continuation and certainly novelty for the site. Regulars will be only too aware that in this still popular line, main theory runs 11.0-0-0 Ne5 Against Bc4 12.Be2 (followed by 12...Qc8) but instead the Chinese superstar of the chessboard deploys a spot of prophylaxis (regards the f3-pawn). Rc8 13.Nb5 Qd7 14.Qb4 a6 15.Nd4 b5 16.Kb1 Rc7 17.Bc1 Rfc8 18.g5 Nh5 19.Qb3 Nc4 20.f4 Nxf4 21.Bxf4 e5 22.Nxb5 axb5 23.Bc1 Qc6 24.Qd3 Nb6 25.Bg4 Qxc2+ 26.Qxc2 Rxc2 27.Be3 Riemsdijk,H (2620)-Guddat,J (2475) BdF 2015 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (34)]
[11.h4 Ne5 12.Be2 Qc8 13.h5 Nfd7 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bh6 Rf7 16.Bxg7 Rxg7 17.Qh6 Nf6 18.0-0-0 a5 19.a4 Kf7 20.g5 Rh7 21.Qxh7+ Nxh7 22.Rxh7+ Kg8 23.Rdh1 Nf7 24.f4 Qc5 25.Bg4 Qc4 Stoyko,S (2354)-4.♗f4 ♗b7 5.e3 ♗e7 (2040) Manila 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 1-0]
11...d5
[Careless would be 11...Ne5?! 0.66/18 11...d5 0.00 (expecting to transpose after 12 0-0-0) because of 12.g5! Nh5 13.f4 Nf7 14.Bxh5 gxh5 with undesirable h-pawns.]
[Equally 11...Qc8 0.53/20 11...Qa5 0.12 12.0-0-0 Ne5 would return to normal lines but again White doesn't have to allow a transposition and could say delay long castles in favour of 12 h4!?. 13.h4 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.e5 Rad8 17.exd6 Nf6 N,N-17.exd6]
Instead we get the natural thematic response. **12.exd5** And now we are surprisingly in a unique position.
[On the few occasions that this position has been reached, White has continued with 12.0-0-0 -0.46/21 12.exd5 -0.01 when
A) 12...d4 0.37/19 12...Qa5 -0.54 13.Bxd4 Nxd4 -0.02/21 *(13...Qxd4± 0.35/22 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxd4 Nd5)* 14.Qxd4=

Qxd4 15.Rxd4 Nd5 16.Rc4 *(16.Rxd5!? exd5 17.Nxd5=)* 16...Nxc3 17.bxc3 Be5 is completely equal but I like the dynamic 12...Qa5! swiftly activating her majesty. Against Rc7;

B) 12...Qa5!∓ -0.46/21 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Qxa2;

C) 12...Nxg4 0.21/22 13.exd5= *(*The point obviously being *13.fxg4* -0.31/19 *13.exd5 0.29 d4)* 13...Nxe3 14.Qxe3 exd5 15.Nxd5 e5?! 1.01/19 should have been met by 16 h4! in Majoros,R (1997)-Pacher,M (2437) Budapest 2021 but wasn't! *(15...e6!? 16.Qxe6+ Kh8* on the other hand is a more dynamic approach with active piece play for the pawn.*; 15...Kh8=* -0.01/20 *)*]

12...Nxd5 Opening up both the rook and Dragon bishop. **13.Nxd5** White has an edge. **13...exd5**

[As White has the bishop pair, it's quite logical to keep the queens on although 13...Qxd5 14.c3 0.08/19 Prevents Nd4. *(*Maybe *14.Qxd5 exd5 15.0-0-0!* offers White a little something.*; 14.Qxd5± 0.49/19 exd5 15.0-0-0)* 14...Rad8= 15.Qxd5 *(* or *15.Qc2* -0.31/19 *15.Qxd5* 0.01 *Ne5!)* 15...exd5 should be fine.]

14.0-0-0! e6 0.60/19

[Protecting the d5-pawn. Instead 14...d4!? 15.Bf2 Qd5 16.Kb1 is a tough one to call. Black has a well placed queen and generally good pieces although White has the bishop pair and fewer pawn islands (albeit with a target on f3).]

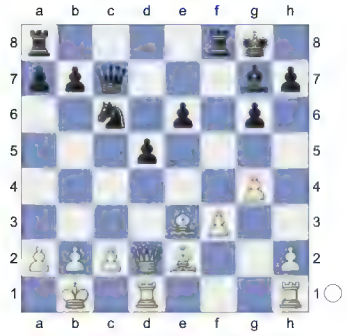
[14...d4!= 0.25/20 deserves consideration. 15.Bg5 Qb6]

15.Kb1 Qc7 1.18/19

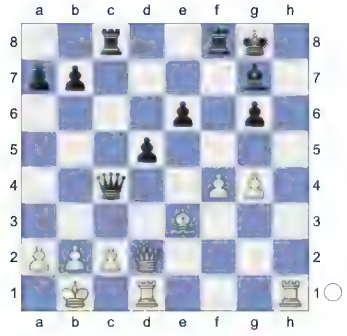
[There were a few options for her majesty with 15...Qh4 seeking to throw a spanner in White's attacking works and]

[15...Qf6 16.c3 Rab8 17.h4 b5 enabling both sides to go for it.]

[15...Qh4± 0.63/17]



16.h4!± **Ne5** First and foremost targeting the pawn on f3. **17.f4! Nc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.h5!** The black queen is quite well placed but one can't deny that White has a kingside initiative with the g6-point a bit tender. Black must now prevent hxg6. **19...Rac8 20.hxg6 hxg6**



21.Qh2 0.62/19 Suddenly Bd4 feels like a serious threat and so the black king does a runner!

[21.c3± 0.93/18]

21...Kf7± **22.f5** The black king can now expect some undesirable exposure but it might not prove disastrous. **22...Rh8! 23.fxe6+**

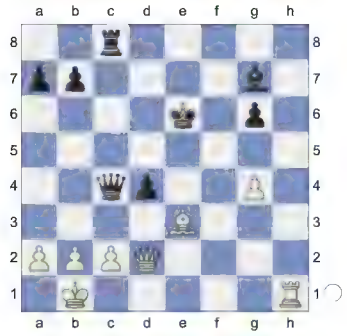
[23.fxg6+?! Kxg6 24.Qf2 Bxb2

25.Kxb2 Qb4+ 26.Ka1 Qc3+ 27.Kb1 Qb4+ 28.Kc1 *(28.Ka1 Qc3+ 29.Kb1 Qb4+ 30.Kc1 Qa3+ 31.Kb1 Qb4+=)* 28...Qa3+ 29.Kb1 Qb4+ 30.Kc1 *(30.Ka1 Qc3+ 31.Kb1 Qb4+=)* 30...Qa3+ 31.Kb1 Qb4+=]

23...Kxe6 24.Qd2 Threatens to win with Rhe1. Dancing on a razor blade.

24...Rxh1 25.Rxh1 d4

[Upon the immediate 25...Rf8 26.Bxa7 And now Re1+ would win. Rf1+ 27.Rxf1 Qxf1+ 28.Qc1 Qf3 1.17/19 the black queen is active but it's still a pawn. *(⌓28...Qxc1+* 0.72/21 *29.Kxc1 Ke5)*]



26.Bg5 Rf8 So it's the same idea for Black but although the a7-pawn won't drop, his king position is certainly draughty! Against Qf2 **27.Qe1+ Kf7** 1.36/24

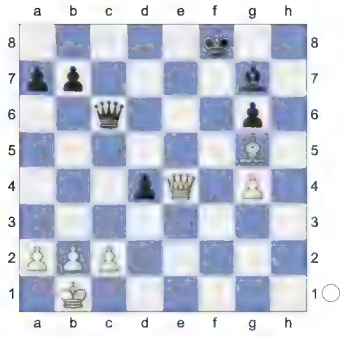
[⌓27...Be5 0.79/24]

28.Qe4?! 0.40/24

[Relatively speaking letting Black off the hook. Instead 28.Qe7+! Kg8 29.Qxb7 was critical. Black has to prove something for the pawn but Rf1+ 30.Rxf1 Qxf1+ 31.Bc1 Bh6? 2.87/23 fails to *(31...Kh7=* 0.01/21 and Black stays safe.) 32.Qa8++- Kh7? 5.51/28 *(32...Bf8* 1.97/20 *33.Qd5+ Kh7 34.Qxd4 Qf7)* 33.Qxa7++- Kg8 34.Qb8+ Kh7 35.Qc7+ Kg8? 5.95/25 *(35...Bg7* 2.86/24 is more resistant. *36.Qd7 Qe1)* 36.Qc8++- Kh7? 6.24/25 *(36...Kf7* 3.10/24 *37.Qd7+ Kf8 38.Qd8+ Kf7)* 37.Qd7+!+- Kg8 and now 38.g5 solves the back rank pin situation as Bxg5 9.80/24 runs into *(⌓38...Bg7* 5.09/21 *39.a4 Qf7 40.Qc8+ Qf8)* 39.Qd5+]

[28.Qe7+± 1.36/24 Kg8 29.Qxb7 *(29.Bf6? Rxf6 30.Rc1 Rf1-+)*]

28...Qc6! 29.Rf1+! Kg8 30.Rxf8+ Kxf8

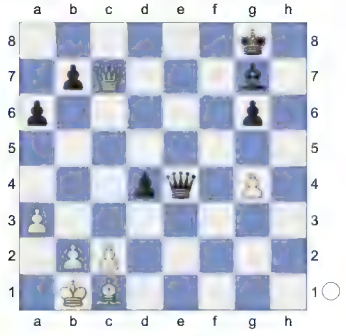


31.Qf4+ Kg8 32.Qb8+ Kf7 33.Bc1

[This time after 33.Qxa7?? -3.29/23 33.Bd2 0.40 Qh1+ 34.Bc1 Bh6 there are no available checks to help White out.]

[33.Qxa7? Qh1+ 34.Bc1 Bh6-+]

33...a6 And now this should really just be a draw. **34.a3 Qe4 35.Qc7+ Kg8**



36.Qd7 Qc6? 1.76/23 Anything (36... Qf3, 36...Kh7 etc.) but this.

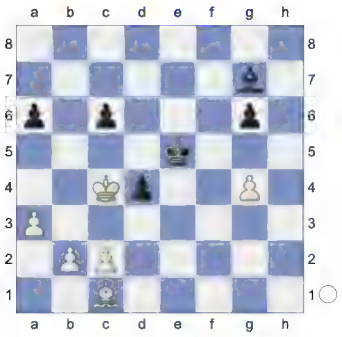
[36...Kh7± 0.41/24]

37.Qxc6!+- bxc6 Endgame KB-KB

38.Ka2! White's 34th move facilitates this swift access to the action for the

white king. **38...Kf7 39.Kb3** Ka4 is the strong threat. **39...Ke6 40.Kc4** And suddenly Black's pawns don't look so clever. Strongly threatening Kc5. **40...Ke5?** 5.11/28

[40...Kd7 1.64/21 41.b4 Be5]



41.b4? 0.93/27

[The immediate 41.Kc5! would have done the job e.g. Ke4 42.Kxc6 d3 6.16/24 *(⌓42...Kf3 4.19/25 43.Kb6 Bf6)* 43.cxd3++- Kxd3 44.b4 but alas Black doesn't grasp his opportunity.]

[41.Kc5+- 5.11/28 and White stays clearly on top. Ke4 42.Kxc6]

41...Ke4? 4.36/28

[41...Bf8! would have kept the white king out of c5 whilst 42.Bb2 0.00/24 could have been met by *(42.Bg5!± 0.55/27)* 42...Kf4]

[41...Bf8± 0.93/27]

42.a4? 0.00/28

[Again 42.Kc5 was straightforward but I'm assuming that time trouble was now affecting accuracy.]

[Only move: 42.Kc5+- 4.36/28]

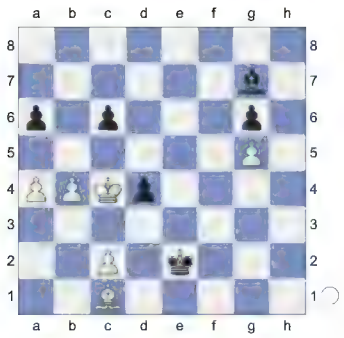
42...Kf3? 1.63/26

[42...Bf8! was once more the order of the day.]

[42...Bf8!= 0.00/28]

43.g5! Ke2 3.24/30

[⌓43...Bf8 1.77/29]

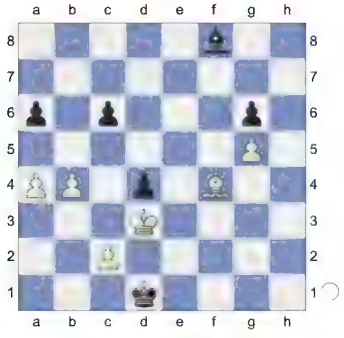


44.Bf4? 0.87/28

[Instead 44.a5! Kd1 45.Bb2 Kxc2? 9.92/30 *(45...Bf8 3.99/25 46.Bxd4 Bd6)* 46.Bxd4+- Bxd4 *(*or *46...Bf8 47.Bc5 Bg7 48.Be7* with Kc5 up next. *)* 47.Kxd4 Kb3 48.Kc5 Kc3 49.Kxc6 Kxb4 50.Kb6 would have won the day.]

[44.a5!+- 3.24/30 Bf8 45.Bb2 *(45.Kxd4 Bxb4 46.Ke5 Bxa5=)*]

44...Kd1± 45.Kd3 Bf8



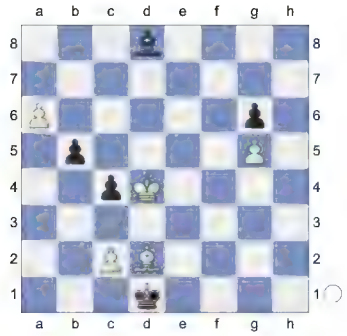
Against Bd6 **46.Bd2 Be7 47.a5 c5??** 10.16/30

[After 47...Bd6 48.c3 dxc3 49.Bxc3 Bf4 50.Bf6 aiming for Be7. Bd6! Inhibits Be7. 51.Kc4 Ke2 White can't make any progress.]

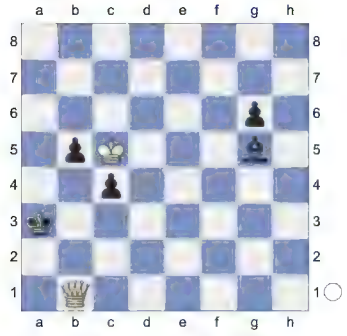
[47...Bd8= -0.01/31]

48.b5!+- axb5 49.a6 Now this pawn is unstoppable. **49...c4+ 50.Kxd4 Bd8**

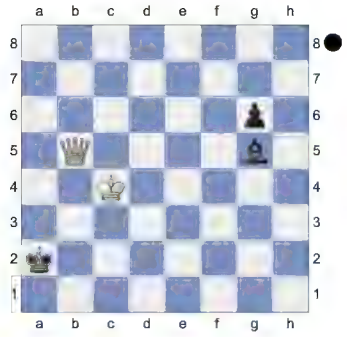
(Diagram)



51.Kc5! Kxd2 52.a7 Kxc2 53.a8Q Bxg5 54.Qe4+ White mates. **54...Kb3 55.Qb1+ Ka3**



56.Qxb5 Ka2 57.Kxc4



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42 **B70**

□ **Vitiugov,Nikita** **2727**

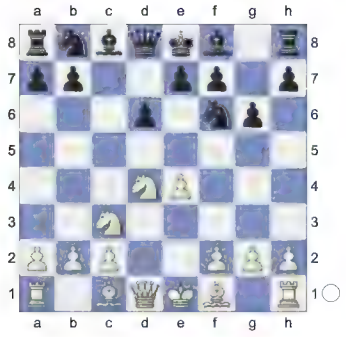
■ **Abdusattorov,Nodirbek** **2648**

Tolstoy Mem 2021 rapid (6.5) 12.09.2021

[Kitty Kat]

B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.g3 Nc6 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.Bg2 Qc7 9.b3 The position is equal. **9...Bg7 10.Bb2 Ba6N**

[10...0-0 11.0-0 h5 12.h3 Bb7 13.Qe2 h4 14.g4 e5 7. Fianchetto System - 6.g3-7.Nxc6 #2]

11.Ne2 -0.28/19

[⌓11.Qd2 0.07/17]

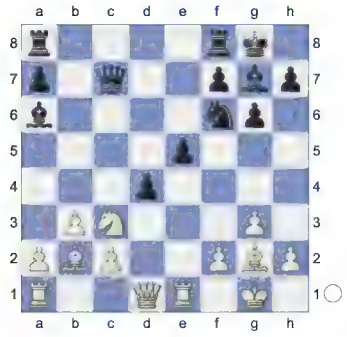
11...0-0 12.0-0 d5 13.exd5 -0.67/20

[13.Re1= -0.29/19 was preferrable.]

13...cxd5∓

[Much less strong is 13...Nxd5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.c4±]

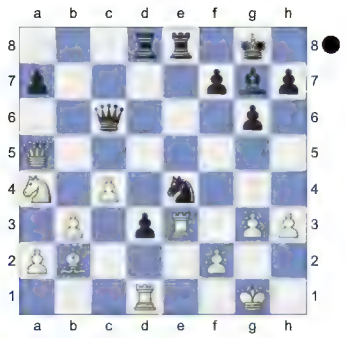
14.Re1 e5 Against Nf4 **15.Nc3** -0.81/20
[15.Nc1!∓ -0.34/19 feels stronger.]
15...d4!∓



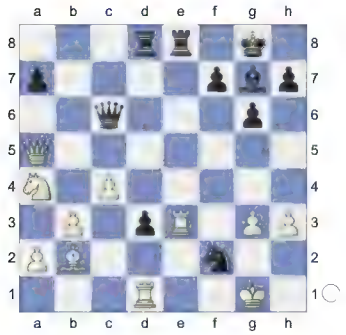
Black converts the advantage convincingly. **16.Na4**
[16.Bxa8? dxc3 17.Bxc3 Qxc3-+]
16...Rad8 17.Qd2 Rfe8 18.c3 d3 19.c4 Against Bb5 **19...Bb7! 20.Rad1 Bxg2**

21.Kxg2 Qc6+ 22.Kg1
[But not 22.f3? e4 23.Kg1 exf3 24.Rxe8+ Qxe8-+]
22...e4! &Nero is much more active.
23.h3 -2.01/20
[23.Qf4∓ -1.31/20]
23...e3-+ 24.Rxe3 Strongly threatening Bxf6. **24...Ne4 25.Qa5** -4.29/24
[25.Rxe4 -2.24/22 might work better. Qxe4 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Nc3]

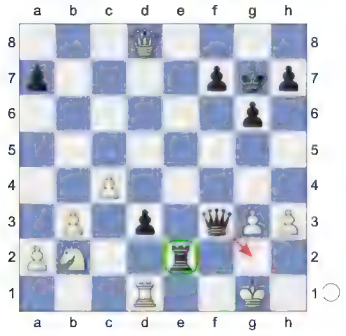
(Diagram)



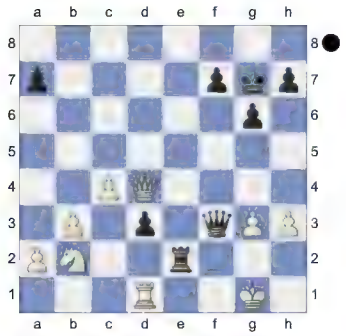
25...Nxf2!



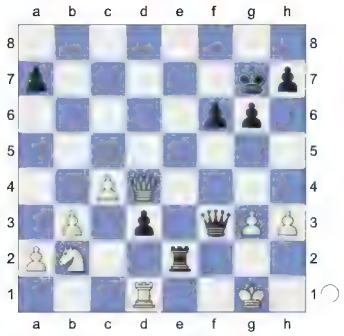
(-> ...Qh1+) **26.Kxf2?** -8.74/23
[26.Rde1 -3.52/24 Nxh3+ 27.Kh2]
26...Bxb2 Remove Defender **27.Nxb2 Qf6+ 28.Rf3 Re2+** Deflection, Double Attack **29.Kg1 Qxf3 30.Qxd8+ Kg7**



31.Qd4+



f6!



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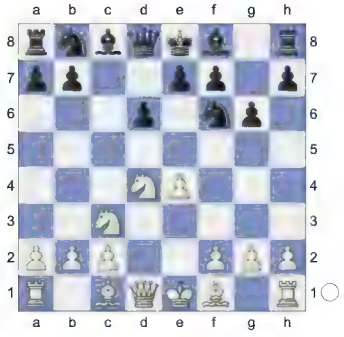
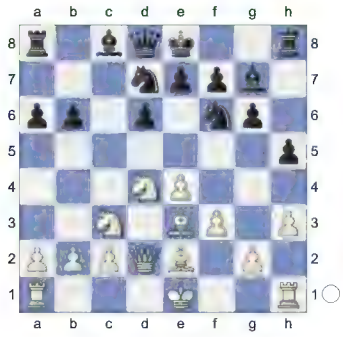
43 **B75**
□ **Wei,Yi** **2726**
■ **Laohawirapap,Prin** **2329**
Asian Games Men Team 2023 (7.13)
[Kitty Kat]

B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 a6 8.Qd2 h5 9.Be2! is currently scoring better than 9.0-0-0. wohl besser als 9.0-0-0. **9...Nbd7 10.h3**
[10.a4 b6 11.Nd5 Bb7 12.c4 e6 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.0-0 e5 15.Nb3 Nc5 16.Nxc5 dxc5 17.Qxd8+ Bxd8 18.a5 Rc8 19.axb6 Bxb6 20.b4 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.f4 e4 23.Rfb1 Rc7 24.bxc5 Ba7 Bellon Lopez,J (2706)-Kopjonkin,K (2483) Aghios Kirykos 2014 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (48)]
10...b6
[10...Qc7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nb6 14.c4 Nxc4 15.Rfc1 b5 16.b3 Qa5 17.Qxa5 Nxa5 18.Rc7 Bf6 19.Rac1 Rb8 20.Ra7 Bb7 21.Nc6 Rbc8 22.Rd1 Bxc6 23.Rxa6 Bd7 24.Rxa5 Ra8 25.Rxa8 Matiukhin,A (2433)-Yev (2223) Aix les Bains 2023 CT-2392 [John Watson] ½-½]



White is slightly better. **11.0-0-0 Bb7 12.g4 Qc7N**
[Vorgänger: 12...Rc8 13.g5 Nh7 14.f4 Nc5 15.Bf3 e5 16.Nde2 exf4 17.Bxf4 Ne6 18.Bxd6 Black must now prevent h4. Nhxg5 1-0 Sebag,M (2486)-Hamdouchi,H (2627) FRA-chT Top 12 2014 (2.6) 19.Bg2 Bh6 20.Nf4 Rc6 21.Be5 Qxd2+ 22.Rxd2 f6 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.Bxf6 0-0 25.e5 Rc7 26.Bxb7 Rxb7 27.Rg1 Kh7 28.Ne4 Bxd2+ 29.Kxd2 Rd7+ 30.Ke3 Rd5 31.h4 Nd4 32.Ng5+ Kh6 33.Ke4 Rd7 Sebag,M (2486)-Hamdouchi,H (2627) Saint - Quentin FRA 2014 [Chris Ward] 1-0 (53)]
13.g5 Nh7 14.f4 Nc5 15.Bf3 e5

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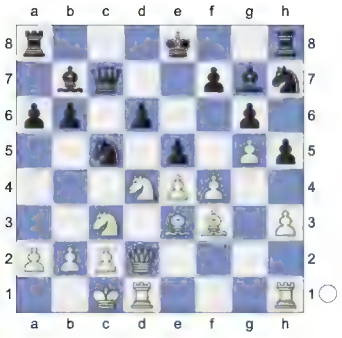
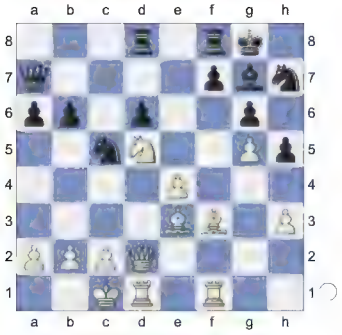
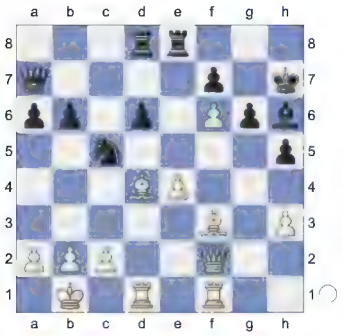


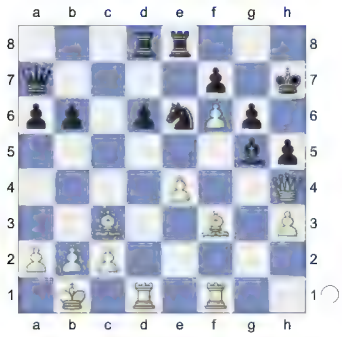
16.Nde2 Rd8 17.Rhf1 exf4 18.Nxf4 0-0
[18...Nxg5? 19.Nfd5 Qc8 20.Bxg5+-]
19.Nfd5 Bxd5 20.Nxd5
[20.exd5 Nd7±]
20...Qa7



21.Bd4 0.93/20
[⌓21.h4 1.33/17]
21...Rfe8± 22.Nf6+
[Much less strong is 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.h4 Kg8+-]
22...Nxf6 23.gxf6 Bf8 24.Kb1↑ aiming for Bxh5! White is really pushing.
24...Kh7 25.Qf2 Bh6

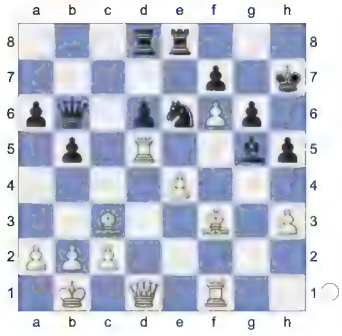


26.Qh4 0.42/18
[26.Rg1± 0.84/16]
26...Ne6± 27.Bc3 A strong pair of Bishops. **27...Bg5** 1.06/19
[27...b5± 0.44/17]



28.Qe1 0.65/18 &Bianco is more active.
[White should play 28.Qf2!± 1.06/19]
28...b5 29.Rd5 Qe3 1.58/19
[Better is 29...Bh6 0.78/16]

30.Qd1!± Hoping for Bd2. **30...Qb6** 1.71/20
[30...Nc7± 1.21/21]



31.Bxh5!+- b4? 3.28/20 Black cannot hold the game after this.

[31...Bh6± 1.59/17 was worth a try.]

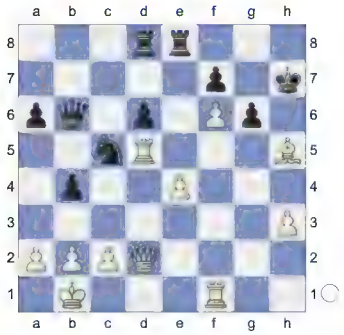
32.Bd2 Bxd2 33.Qxd2 Strongly threatening Bg4.

[Less strong is 33.Rxd2 Nc7 34.Qe1 Qb5+-]

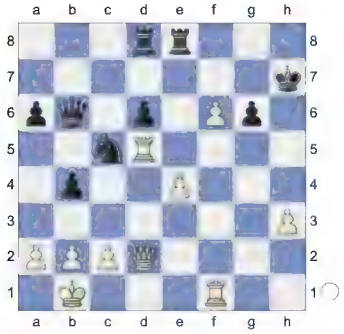
33...Nc5? #8/18

[33...gxh5? gets mated. 34.Rxh5+ Kg8 35.Qh6 Rf8 36.Qh8#]

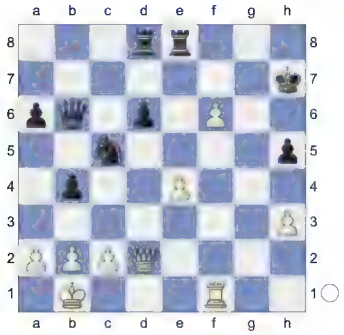
[33...b3+- 2.78/19 34.axb3 Rh8]



34.Bxg6+! fxg6



35.Rh5+!! White mates. **35...gxh5**



36.Qg5 Ne6 37.Qxh5+ Kg8 38.f7+

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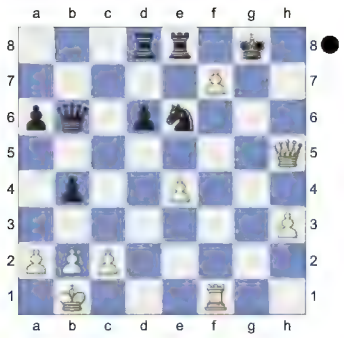

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44 **B76**

□ **Vachier Lagrave,Maxime** **2722**

■ **Aravindh,Chithambaram VR** **2749**

Superbet POL Blitz 2025 (9.2) 29.04.25

[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

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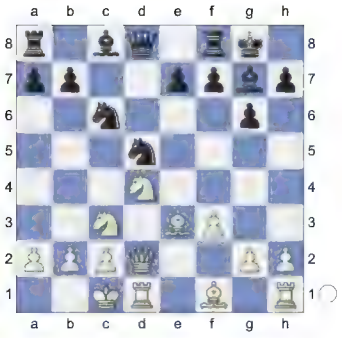


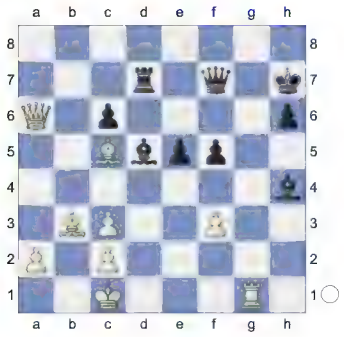
11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Be6 14.Ne4 Re8 15.Bc4 Qc7

16.h4 h6 0.41/20
[16...Rad8= 0.10/18]
17.g4± f5 1.16/21
[17...Rad8± 0.41/18]
18.gxf5± gxf5 19.Ng3N 0.39/18
&Bianco is more active.
[19.Nd6± 1.06/20 Rf8 *(19...Red8 20.Rhg1 Kh7 21.Bxd5 cxd5 22.Qg2 Qd7 23.Qg6+ Kh8 24.f4 Rab8 25.fxe5 Rg8 26.Qh5 Bxe5 27.Qxh6+ Qh7 28.Qxe6 Bxb2+ 29.Kd2 Rgf8 30.Rg6 Bg7 31.Rdg1 Qxh4 32.Rxg7 Qf4+ 33.Be3 Qb4+ 34.Ke2* Ilamparthi,A (2336)-Goossens,H (2204) Benidorm 2022 1-0 (36) *Qh4 35.Qg8+ Rxg8 36.Nf7#* 1-0 (36) Bradley,M (2336)-Gurowitz,H (2204) Vrnjacka Banja 2022 The Week in Chess 354 [John Watson]*)* 20.Rhg1 Kh7 21.Nb5 Qf7 22.Bxf8 Rxf8 23.Nc3 Nxc3 24.Bxe6 Nxa2+ 25.Bxa2 Qxa2 26.Qd7 Rf7 27.Qxc6 Qa1+ 28.Kd2 Qxb2 29.Ke2 Qb6 30.Qxb6 axb6 31.Rd6 Rc7 32.c4 e4 33.fxe4 fxe4 34.Re6 Aronian,L (2742)-Mamedov,R (2642) chess.com (Int.-rapid) 157/84 2023 157 Games Section [Paunovic,Tomislav] 1-0 (49)]
19...Qf7 20.Rhg1 Kh7

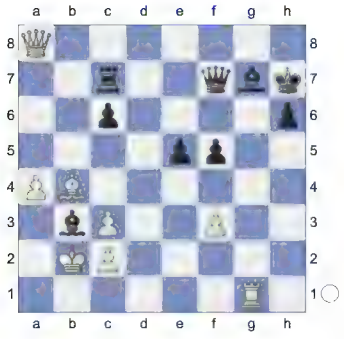
21.Qa5 Rad8 22.Qxa7 0.01/21
[22.Qa6± 0.45/19]
22...Rd7 0.94/20
[22...Qxa7= 0.01/21 23.Bxa7 Bf6]
23.Qa6 Red8 24.Bb3
[24.Qxc6 Rc7 25.Qb5 Rdc8 26.Nxf5 *(26.Bxd5 Rxc5 27.Bxe6 Qxe6∓)* 26...Bxf5 27.Bxd5 *(27.Rxd5 Be6=)* 27...Rxc5! 28.Qxc5 *(28.Bxf7? Rxc2+ 29.Kb1 Rc1#)* 28...Rxc5∓]
24...Bf6 25.Rh1 Rg8 1.05/18
[25...Nf4± 0.44/20 26.Rxd7 *(26.Qxc6 Rc7=)* 26...Qxd7]

26.Ne2 0.59/19
[White should try 26.Bf2± 1.05/18]
26...Rg2± 27.Nc3 0.33/19
[27.Rde1± 0.75/18]
27...Nxc3 28.bxc3 Bd5 29.Rhg1

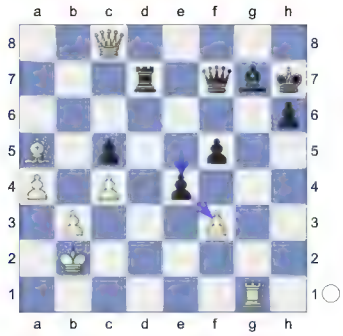
0.01/22
[29.Rdg1± 0.40/21 is more appropriate. Rxg1+ 30.Rxg1]
29...Rxg1 0.34/21
[29...Rh2= 0.01/22 might be stronger.]
30.Rxg1 Bxh4



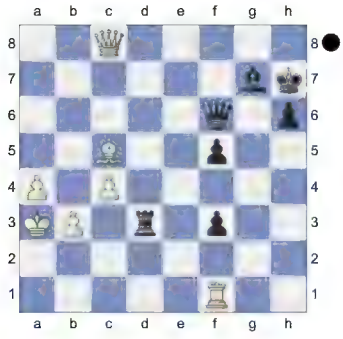
31.Kb2 -0.01/19
[31.Qe2± 0.33/20]
31...Bf6 32.Qc8 Bg7 33.a4 Rb7 34.Bb4 Rc7! 35.Qa8 -1.58/21
[35.Qa6= -0.01/21]
35...Bxb3!∓



36.cxb3 c5!↑ Keeping White busy.
37.Ba5 -2.56/20
[37.Ba3∓ -1.45/22 was the only chance.]
37...Rb7-+ 38.c4 Black must now prevent Bc3.
[38.b4 cxb4 39.Bxb4 e4 40.Rxg7+ Qxg7-+]
38...Ra7!
[38...e4+ 39.Rxg7+! Qxg7+ 40.Bc3=]
39.Qd8 Rd7 40.Qc8 Threatens to win with Bc3. **40...e4+**



41.Ka3 -3.69/20
[⌓41.Ka2 -2.61/20 Qe6 42.Rxg7+ Kxg7 43.Bc3+ Kg6 44.Qxc5 exf3 45.Qg1+ Kh7 46.Bb2]
41...exf3 aiming for ...f2. **42.Rf1** -10.49/24
[42.Qc6 -3.89/21 f2 43.Rc1]
42...Rd3 43.Bb6 Qf6
[Stronger than 43...Qxc4 44.Qxf5+ Kh8 45.Qc8+ Kh7 46.Qf5+ Kh8 47.Qc8+ Kh7 48.Qf5+=]
44.Bxc5



Qb2+ -6.57/5
[⌓44...Rxb3+!! -#2/6 45.Kxb3 *(45.Ka2 Qb2#)* 45...Qb2#]
45.Kb4 Qxb3+ -6.18/5
[⌓45...Rxb3+ -#8/18 46.Ka5 Qc3+ 47.Ka6 Qxc4+ 48.Ka7 Qxa4+ 49.Qa6 Qd7+ 50.Ka8 Qe8+ 51.Qc8 Qxc8+ 52.Ka7 Qb7#]

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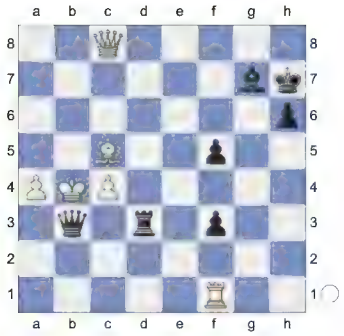
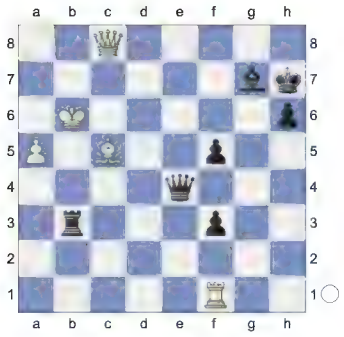
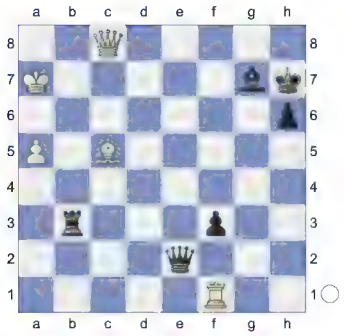


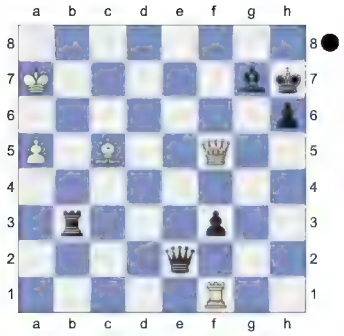
46.Ka5 Bc3+ 47.Ka6 Qxc4+ -8.44/25
[⌓47...Qxa4+ -20.03/24 48.Kb7 Rd7+ 49.Qxd7+ Qxd7+ 50.Kb6 Qd3 51.Rxf3 Qxf3]
48.Kb7 Qe4+ 49.Kb6 Bg7 50.a5 Rb3+



51.Ka7 Qe2? -0.01/24
[Black should play 51...Rc3-+ -6.37/22 52.Rg1 Qe5]
52.Qxf5+= The position is equal.
[But not 52.Rg1? Qe5 53.Bb6 *(53.a6? Rc3-+)* 53...Rb5-+]
52...Kh8 And now ...Qe8 would win.
53.Qc8+ Kh7 54.Qf5+ Kh8 Strongly threatening ...Qe8. **55.Qc8+ Kh7**



56.Qf5+



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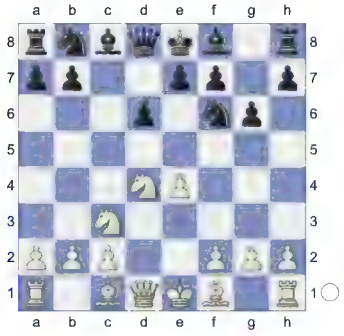
45 **B76**
□ **Dubov,Daniil** **2716**
■ **Wei,Yi** **2722**
Global Chess League rapid (2.3) 23.6.23
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 Giri,Anish **1...c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



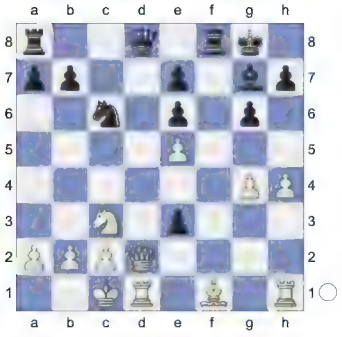
6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 is currently scoring better than 7.Bb2.wohl besser als 7.Lb2.
7...Bg7 8.Qd2 0-0 9.g4 Be6 10.h4N
[10.0-0-0 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Qa5 12.a3 Rfc8 13.h4 Rab8 14.Ne2 Qxd2+ 15.Rxd2 a6 16.Nf4 Nd7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.g5 Ne5 19.Nxe6+ fxe6 20.f4 Nd7 21.h5 Nc5 22.Rdh2 Rh8 23.b4 Nxe4 24.hxg6 Kxg6

Inarkiev,E (2672)-Edouard,R (2659) Deutschland 124/63 2015 CI1-130 [Paunovic,Tomislav] 1-0]

10...d5

11.e5 **Nd7N** An interessante novelty. Eine interessante Neuerung. **12.Nxe6 fxe6** The position is equal. **13.f4 Ndxe5! 14.fxe5 d4**

15.0-0-0! dxe3



16.Qxe3 Qa5 17.Bc4 Qxe5 18.Bxe6+ Kh8 19.Qxe5 Bxe5

[19...Nxe5 1.01/22 19...Bxe5 0.63 1-0 Carlsen,M (2855)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2782) World-ch Carlsen-Nepomniachtchi 2021 (6) 20.h5! Bh6+ 21.Kb1 Hoping for hxg6. Kg7 22.Ne4 0.68/22 *(Better is 22.Rd5!±* 1.36/19 *Bf4 23.Ne2)* 22...Be3 1.13/20 *(22...Bf4±* 0.68/22 deserves consideration.) 23.h6+ Kh8

24.Rd5 1.09/21 *(* White should play *24.Rde1!+-* 1.89/20 *Bf4 25.Rh3)* 24...Nf3±

25.Rd7! Rab8 26.Rxe7 0.90/23 *(⌓26.a3* 1.40/20 *)*]

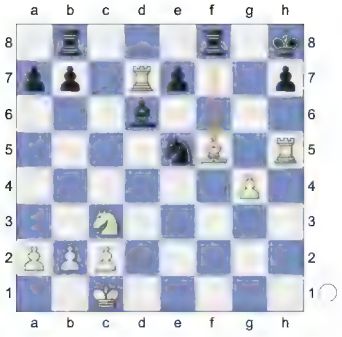
20.Rd7 Rab8

21.h5 gxh5 22.Rxh5 Bd6 1.05/23

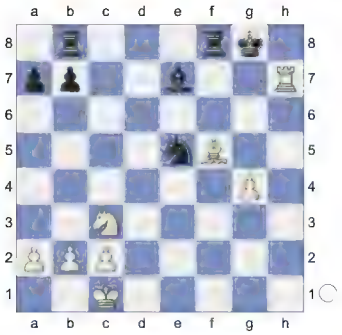
[22...Rbd8= 0.21/20 remains equal.]

23.Bf5± Ne5

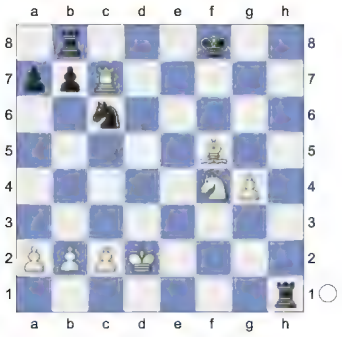
(Diagram)



24.Rxe7!! Bxe7 25.Rxh7+ Kg8



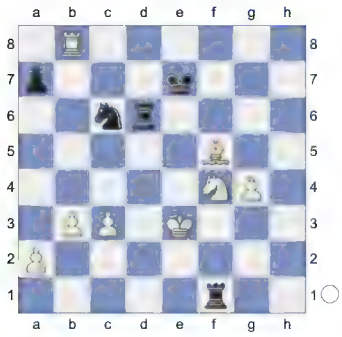
26.Rxe7 Rfe8 27.Rc7 Kf8 28.Nd5 Inhibits Re7. **28...Nc6** 1.73/20
[28...Rbd8± 1.00/22 29.Nf4 Rd6]
29.Nf4+- Re1+ 30.Kd2 Rh1



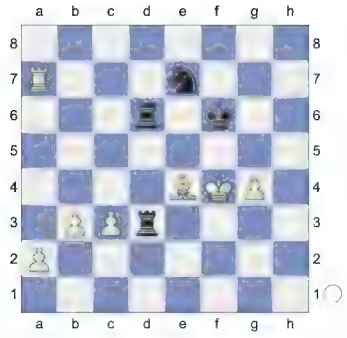
31.Ng6+ Ke8 32.Rg7 0.91/20
[32.Ke3+- 1.79/19]
32...Rd8+± 33.Ke3 Rd6 1.79/19
[33...Re1+± 0.97/18 might work better. 34.Kf2 Rdd1]
34.Rxb7+- Rf1 35.c3 Against Nd4
35...Kd8

(Diagram)

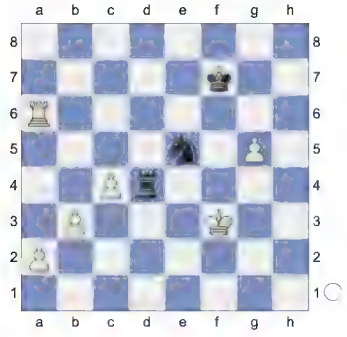
36.Nf4 Na5 0.61/21
[36...Re1++- 1.73/20 37.Ne2 a6]
37.Rb4 1.85/20
[37.Rxa7 Nc4+ 38.Ke4 Re1+ 39.Kf3 Re3+ 40.Kg2 Rd2+ 41.Kf1 Rf3+ 42.Ke1 Rxf4=]
[37.Rb8+± 0.61/21 Kc7 38.Rc8+ Kb7 39.Rc5]
37...Nc6 38.Rb7 0.01/17
[38.Ra4± 1.59/19]
38...Na5!= 39.Rb8+
[Not 39.Rxa7 Nc4+ 40.Ke4 Re1+ 41.Kf3 Re3+ 42.Kg2 Rd2+ 43.Kf1 Rf3+ 44.Ke1 Rxf4=]
39...Ke7 And now ...Nc4+ would win.
40.b3 Against Nc4+ **40...Nc6** 2.19/19
[40...Re1+ 1.74/20 keeps fighting. 41.Kf2 Red1]



41.Rb7+ Kf6 42.Nd3 Prevents Re1+.
42...Ne7 43.Be4
[Don't take 43.Rxa7?! Nxf5+ 44.gxf5 Rd1±]
43...Rg1 44.Rxa7 Threatens to win with Bf3. **44...Rg3+ 45.Kf4 Rgxd3**

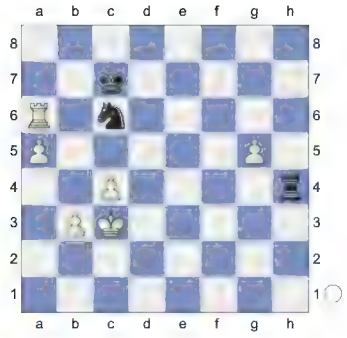


46.Bxd3 Rxd3± Endgame KRN-KR **47.Ra6+ Kf7 48.c4 Rd4+** 0.51/21
[48...Ng6+± 1.50/21 49.Kg5 Nf8]
49.Kf3 Ng6! 50.g5 aiming for Rf6+. **50...Ne5+**

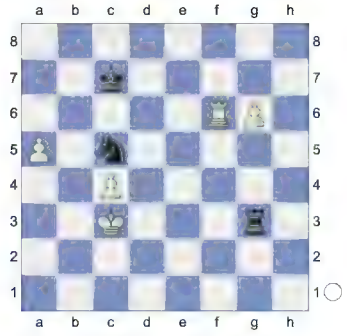


51.Ke3 Rh4 1.35/20
[51...Rg4± 0.36/23]
52.a4 1.02/21
[⌓52.c5 1.35/20]
52...Ke7 1.71/22
[52...Rg4± 1.02/21]
53.a5+- Kd7 2.33/19
[53...Rg4± 1.07/19]
54.Kd2? 0.23/20
[54.Rb6+- 2.33/19]
54...Nc6= 55.Kc3 -0.20/22
[⌓55.Ra8 0.19/18]
55...Kc7

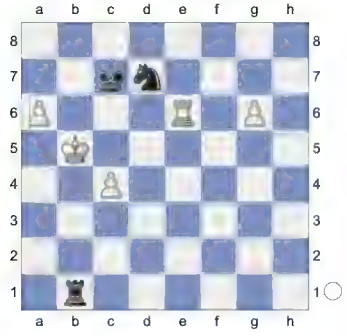
(Diagram)



56.g6 b4 is the strong threat. **56...Rh3+ 57.Kb2 Rg3 58.b4 Nxb4 59.Rf6 Nd3+ 60.Kc3! Nc5+**

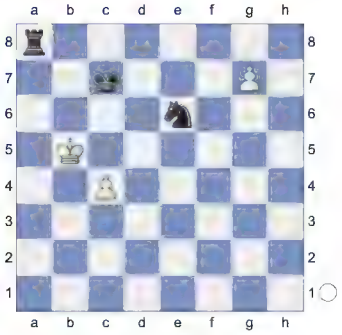


61.Kb4 Nd7 62.Re6 Rg1 0.45/23
[62...Nf8= 0.00/23 63.Re7+ Nd7]
63.a6± Strongly threatening a7. White has compensation. **63...Rb1+ 64.Ka5** 0.01/20
[64.Kc3± 1.36/24 Rc1+ 65.Kb2]
64...Ra1+= 65.Kb5 Rb1+

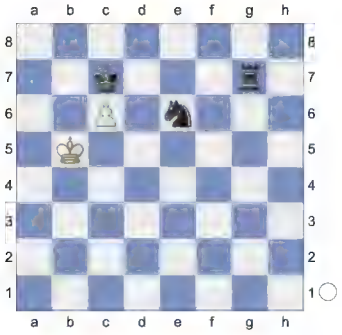


66.Ka5 Nc5? 7.05/25
[66...Ra1+= 0.01/22 67.Kb4 Rb1+ 68.Kc3 Rc1+ 69.Kb2 Rg1]
Predecessor: **67.g7?** 1.71/25
[67.Re8 7.05/25 Nxa6 68.g7 *(68.Kxa6 Rb6+ 69.Ka5 Rxg6=)*]

67...Rg1? 7.15/22
[67...Ra1+ 1.71/25 68.Kb4 Nxe6]
68.a7?? -8.44/27 **Nxe6-+ 69.a8Q Ra1+** Skewer. Black mates. **70.Kb5 Rxa8**



71.c5 Rg8 72.c6 Rxg7



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46 **B76**
□ **Dubov,Daniil** **2712**
■ **Keymer,Vincent** **2590**
Wch Rapid Almaty (5) 26.12.2022
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

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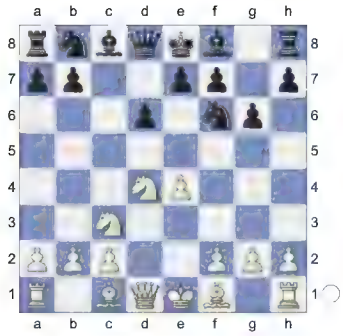
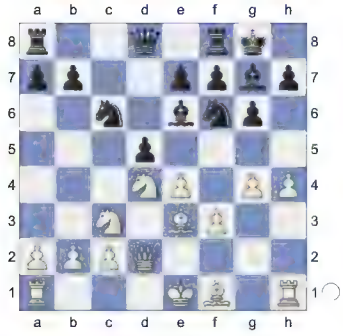
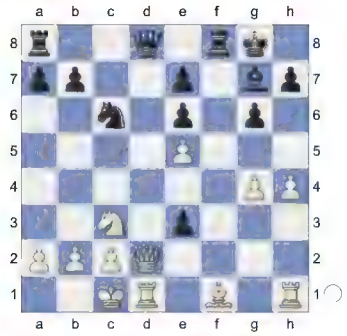


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2! 8.a3 scores better than 8.0-0.8.a3 punktet besser als 8.0-0. **8...0-0 9.g4 Be6 10.h4 d5!**



11.e5 Nd7N
[11...Nxe5 12.0-0-0 Qa5 *(12...Rc8 13.h5 Qa5 14.a3 Nxf3 15.Nxf3 Nxg4 16.Bd4 Bh6 17.Ng5 f6 18.Nxe6 Bxd2+ 19.Rxd2 Rc6 20.Nxf8 Kxf8 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Be2 e5 23.Bxg4 exd4 24.Ne2 d3 25.Rxd3 f5 26.Bf3 Re6 27.Rhd1* Felizes,P (2190)-Khanin,S (2177) NLD corr 2023 The Week in Chess 404 [John Watson] ½-½ (49) *)* 13.Be2 Rfc8 14.h5 Rxc3 15.Qxc3 Qxa2 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Qxe5 Qa1+ 19.Kd2 Qa5+ 20.Kc1 Qa1+ 21.Kd2 Qa5+ 22.Kc1 Qa1+ 23.Kd2 ½-½ (23) Bauer,C (2618)-Edouard,R (2634) France 2015 CI1-130 [Paunovic,Tomislav]]
12.Nxe6 fxe6 The position is equal.
13.f4 Threatening 0-0-0. **13...Ndxe5!**
14.fxe5 Hoping for 0-0-0. **14...d4**

15.0-0-0 dxe3



16.Qxe3 Qa5 17.Bc4N Qxe5 0.87/24
[17...Bxe5± 0.39/23 18.Bxe6+ Kg7]
18.Bxe6+± Kh8 19.Qxe5 Nxe5
[19...Bxe5 1-0 (66) Carlsen,M (2861)-Keymer,V (2693) chess24.com INT 2022 20.Rd7 Rab8 21.h5 gxh5 22.Rxh5 Bd6 0.84/22 *(22...Rbd8± 0.51/23)* 23.Bf5± Ne5 24.Rxe7 Bxe7 25.Rxh7+ Kg8 26.Rxe7]
20.h5! Bh6+

21.Kb1 And now hxg6 would win.
21...Kg7 22.Ne4 0.77/24
[⌓22.Rd5 1.23/22 Bf4 23.Ne2]
22...Be3 1.20/24
[⌓22...Bf4 0.77/24]
23.h6+ Kh8 24.Rd5 Nf3

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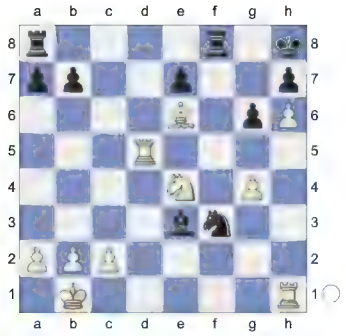


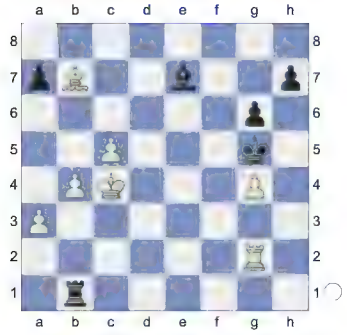
25.Rd7! Rab8 1.59/24
[⌓25...b5 1.14/23]

26.Rxe7 Rbe8 27.Rxe8 &Bianco is more active. **27...Rxe8 28.Bd5 Nd2+**
[28...Rxe4? 29.Bxe4 Nd2+ 30.Ka1 Nxe4 31.Re1 Bxh6 32.Rxe4+-]
29.Nxd2 Bxd2 30.Bxb7 Strongly threatening c4. **30...Bxh6**

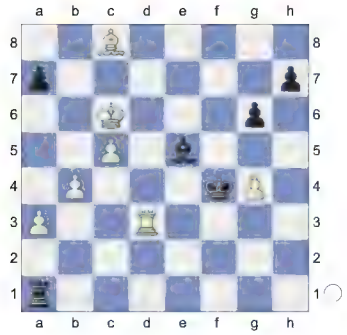
Endgame KRB-KRB **31.c3** 1.03/20
[⌓31.c4 1.45/21 Kg7 32.c5]
31...Bg5 32.Rh2 Kg7 33.Kc2 Rf8 1.40/23
[Better is 33...Re7 0.92/21]
34.b4 Rf4 1.46/24
[Black should try 34...Rf7 1.15/21]

35.Rg2 Bf6 2.10/23
[35...Rf7± 1.50/22 was worth a try.]

36.Kb3!+- Rf1 37.c4 Be7 38.c5 Rb1+ 39.Kc4 Kf6 4.62/22
[⌓39...a5 3.25/20]
40.a3 Kg5



41.Kd5 Rd1+ 42.Kc6 Bf6 43.Bc8 Ra1 44.Rg3
[Not 44.Rh2 h5+-]
44...Be5 45.Rd3 Kf4



46.Kb7 Ke4 47.Rh3 Kf4 48.c6 Rc1 49.Bd7 h5 50.gxh5 g5

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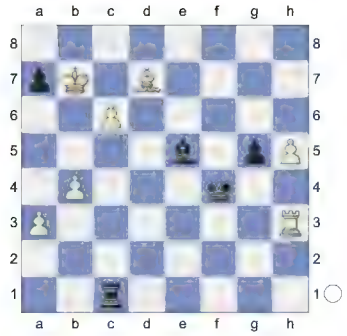
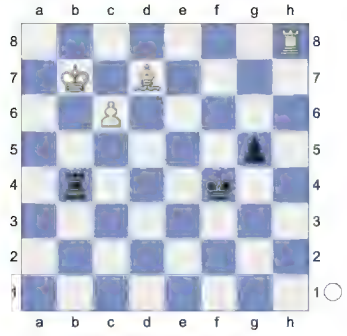
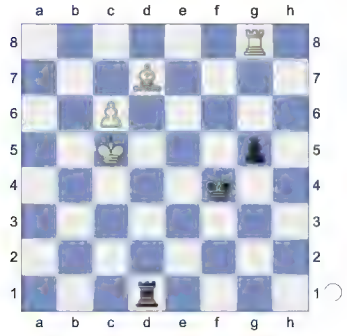


51.h6 a5 52.h7 axb4 53.axb4 Rb1 54.h8Q Intending Qf8+ and mate.
54...Bxh8 55.Rxh8 Rxb4+



KRB-KR **56.Kc7 Rc4 57.Rf8+ Kg3 58.Rg8** Vorgänger: **58...Kf4 59.Kd6** White mates. **59...Rd4+ 60.Kc5 Rd1**



61.c7! Rc1+ 62.Kd6 Rd1+ 63.Ke7 Re1+ 64.Be6

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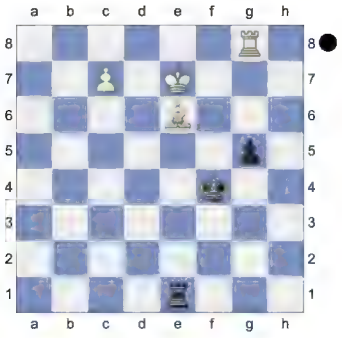

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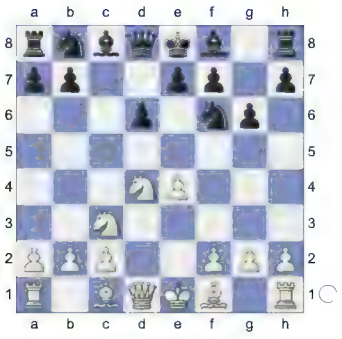
½-½

47 **B76**
□ **Giri,Anish** **2712**
■ **Gelfand,Boris** **2631**
Yasnaya Polyana Tolstoy Memorial rapid..
[Giri,Anish]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 These days one can never be sure as the players mostly have a rather wide opening repertoire, but the Semi-Slav is one of Boris' favourites. **5.Nc3** This line looks somewhat unhealthy developing the queen this early, but I noticed a pretty idea down the main-line here and wanted to try it for this game.
5...g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 This is the main-line nowadays. Back in the day the theory went on with 8.e4 c5 but at some point recently the move 8.g4!? popped up. **8.Qd2!?** This has been first played by Berkes in 2017, but really took off once Matlakov played it in 2019. The idea is not new and exists in the Anti-Meran, but in this particular version, had gone still somewhat unnoticed, I felt. **8...Nc6** So far nobody dared grabbing the pawn and most players have gone for this counter push. **9.g4** Here Black has a choice of three options, c4, cxd4 and the move in the game, perhaps the most natural. **9...Be6** The engine is slightly less enthused about this move than 9...c4, but it is more human to keep the tension in the center. Also, while the engine is slightly concerned about the upcoming endgame, a human player often doesn't mind trading queens in face of a dangerous g-pawn march.
10.Nxe6 fxe6

11.0-0-0 The engines claim that going for an endgame is the only way to fight for an advantage and so, I obeyed.
11...Ne5 12.Be2 Qa5 0.81/21
[12...Qc8± 0.41/21 was preferrable.]
[12...Rc8 13.Nb5 Qd7 14.Nxa7 Ra8 15.Kb1 b5 16.g5 Nh5 17.Nxb5 Nxf3 18.Qb4 Ne5 19.Rhf1 Rfc8 20.Qb3 Kh8 21.Bd4 Rab8 22.a4 Nc6 23.Bc3 e5 24.Bxh5 gxh5 25.Qd5

Qg4 26.Rg1 Qh3 27.Qd3 15.Nc4 0-0 16.Qe5 Rab8 (2664)-4. a3Ba6/ 10.Be2 (2613) Germany 2008 Mega2023 Update 39 [Liubomirov] 1-0 (65)]

13.h4N 0.04/22 White gets to keep the pawn for now. I hadn't gone all too deep into this endgame, since it is just one of the scenarious, but still I was quite familiar with it. I thought it was quite hard for Black to understand what is going on and how reliable it is to play for a long term compensation with 13...Nc6.

[13.g5

A) 13...Ne8 0.88/19 13...Nh5 0.38 14.h4 -0.01/20 *(14.f4± 0.88/19)* 14...b5 0.51/20 *(14...Nxf3= -0.01/20 15.Bxf3 Rxf3)*;

B) 13...Nh5 14.f4 Nf7 15.Bc4 Rac8 16.Bxe6 Rxc3 17.f5 Rc5 18.Bxc5 Qxc5 19.Rhf1 Kh8 20.fxg6 Qe5 21.Qb4 Qxe6 22.Rxf7 hxg6 23.Rxf8+ Bxf8 24.Kb1 Bg7 25.Qxb7 Qe5 26.Rd3 Kh7 27.a4 a5 28.h4 Moen,A (2631)-8.e4 c6 9.h3 exd4 (2394) Zürich 2012 200 Traps In The Opening [NiC YB\53-107 (Boersma)] 0-1 (54);

C) 13...Nfd7]

[13.Kb1 Rac8 14.Nb5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 a6 16.Nd4 Kf7 17.b3 Rc3 18.Bf2 Nexg4 19.Bc4 Rxc4 20.bxc4 Bh6 21.Re2 Nxf2 22.Rxf2 Be3 23.Nxe6 Kxe6 24.Re2 Bf4 25.Kb2 Nd7 26.Rb1 Be5+ 27.Kc1 Rxf3 28.Rxb7 Bc3 Derbentli,C (1472)-Arslan,E (1909) Denizli 2023 1-0]

[13.Kb1± 0.81/21]

13...b5!= The only way. Black can't regain the c5 pawn quickly, instead he should focus on quick development and aim for counterplay down the road.

[13...Rac8 0.50/18 13...b5 0.10]

14.h5 -0.43/20

[14.a3

A) 14...b4 0.07/19 14...Rab8 -0.44 I don't know why, but I think I somehow dismissed this natural and strong move, probably as too little, because it is unlikely that I didn't realize that a5 pawn is hanging. I didn't make 24.b4 Raf8! work and 24.Rc4 first I dismissed on the account of 24...Rab8 25.Rd1 Rd5. All correctly, but why not the simple 24.Bxa5, I do not know. 15.Na2 Rab8 0.86/20 Of course Black has drawing chances here, but it is definitely more promising than what I had gone for. *(15...Rfb8!= 0.22/19)*

A1) 16.Kb1 -0.20/22 16.Nxb4 0.81 Nc6 0.25/20 *(16...Nfd7 -0.20/22* is superior. *)*;

A2) 16.Nxb4!± White has a massive advantage here apparently. 16...Nexg4! besides transposing to the game with 19.Rfa1 Bf6, White also has the option of starting with Nd4 here. 17.fxg4 Nxe4 And as expected, we are likely to land in a drawish position with decent chances for White to pose serious practical problems thanks to a better pawn structure. 18.Qe1 Hoping for Bd4. Bc3 19.Bd2! Nxd2! This is likely the best move here, keeping the option of castling long, in order to protect the b2 pawn. 20.bxc3 Alternatively 17... fxg6 can be met by 18.Nd4 with likely a small plus after all the trades, thanks to the better pawn

structure. Ne4 21.Kb2 Nf2 1.83/20 and it is likely, if we trade the light squared bishops and enter at some point on the d6 square, that the c5 pawn is more of a strength than a weakness, but the last 3 moves had to be found and I am not sure they were too obvious. *(21...Qe5± 1.40/19)* 22.Bc4+- I figured out that the point here was to just castle and then trade with Nd4, trying to unblock our c5 pawn, though frankly I can't say this looked crushing. Nxd1+ 23.Qxd1 d5 2.19/19 and as we trade away the d5 bishop and the c6 knight, it gets harder for Black to deal with our c5 pawn. *(23...Kg7 1.67/21 was necessary.)* 24.Bb3;

B) 14...Rab8 I also wasn't sure if I have something after 23...Rab8, but I believe I may have missed 24.Rd1 Rf5? and now 25.Rd7! e5 26.Rd6 idea, as I had wanted to avoid 24. Rc4 Rd5 position.]

[14.Bxb5? Nxf3 15.Qd3 Nxg4-+]

[14.Kb1= 0.00/21]

14...b4!∓ While preparing I saw that this is one of the engine's top choices and I also saw that the line goes 15.g6! and then 15...Be7!, but I found this all too unhuman and unlikely. To my surprise this was exactly what happened. Possibly Boris was aware of this position, or perhaps he just has a very good feel for dynamics. The point of the move 14... h6 is that Black is trying to activate his f8 bishop and h8 rook as quickly as possible. If Black goes for the Be7 0-0 plan, which I found far more natural, his counterplay is much slower, as the dark squared bishop will have trouble getting to the long diagonal, hitting the b2 pawn. Black is slightly better. **15.Nb1** I spent some time here, even though I was pretty sure it was here that the engine suggested this move. Frankly I didn't go too deep into this direction, once again, because Black has at least 5 other ways that are equally good and no less challenging. I tried understanding what is the point of the engine and why we give up a pawn just like that, but essentially I realized that probably the computer found it worth a pawn to slow down Black's activation of f8 bishop and h8 rook. Allowing hxg5 would give black h8 rook too much scope, while 15.gxh6 gxh6 gives Black the opportunity to get both Rg8 as well as Bg7, mobilizing his kingside forces quickly. **15...Rfc8!**

[15...Qxa2

A) 16.hxg6? -3.52/19 16.Qxb4 0. 11 accurate. Nxe4 (-> ...Nd3+) 17.fxe4? -7.05/21 And the computer doesn't show the win or anything big. *(17.Qxb4 -3.56/20 Ng3 18.gxh7+ Kh8 19.Rh2 Nxe2+ 20.Rxe2)* 17...Nc4;

B) 16.Qxb4 here obviously I disliked that Black doesn't have to take on d4, otherwise I would have started 20.Nd4. aiming for Nc3. 16...Rab8 Probably best is to trade anyway. 17.Qa3 Qxa3 The endgame is obviously unpleasant for Black, as his extra pawn on the kingside is badly doubled, while White has a passer on the queenside. Still, it seems that with accurate defense, Black should be able to hold this. 18.bxa3]

I was extremely surprised that Boris had once again picked the first choice of the engine, after some thought. Of course, if you understand the position very deeply, it becomes clear that Bf6 is important and gxf7 Kxf7 is not a big issue. **16.hxg6** I thought it was good to clarify the situation on the queenside before deciding whether to castle short or keep the option of castling long. **16...Nxg6?!** -0.20/21 This is logical, if Black tries to simplify the game and get more trades in, but it clarified my task a lot and made my opening advantage more understandable. I was far less sure of what is going on after the more ambitious and the murkier 16...b4.

[16...hxg6 17.Bd4 -1.38/19 *(17.Bh6∓ -0.51/18)* 17...Rab8!]

[16...hxg6∓ -0.63/22 feels stronger. 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Rxh6 *(18.Qxh6 Kf7∓)* 18...Nf7]

17.Bd4 -0.59/20

[17.a3 Rab8 is probably the easiest. Black should definitely hold this one.]

[17.a3= -0.20/21 is more appropriate.]

17...Qa4! 18.b3 -1.30/21 Here I was pretty happy with my position, though I did realize there are quite some drawish tendencies. It is quite clear that White can put the pressure on the a-pawn and Black in his turn has to try to target my b-pawn. There are likely many trades to happen and a better endgame, possibly rook endgame, in which White will have a better pawn structure, but which may be defensible.

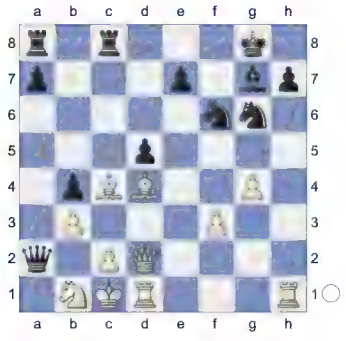
[18.Bd3∓ -0.59/19]

18...Qxa2?!∓ A very natural mistake and the one that went unpunished. The engine starts with 18...a5!. **19.Bc4?!** My idea was to double on the a-file and then trade everything with Nd4 (or Bd4) and get a good rook endgame. There is a very strong move 19.Bf4! aiming for the d6 square and stopping any potential Rb8 move. It was too deep for a rapid game, for me. **19...d5** -0.01/20

[19...Rxc4 20.bxc4 Qxc4]

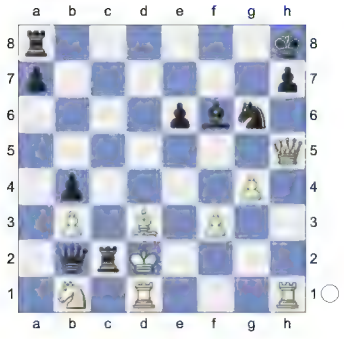
[19...Rxc4∓ -1.05/24 20.bxc4 Qxc4]

20.exd5= This was wrong judgement, but it did win me the game, as Boris fell for the trap, that I didn't even know I set. The natural 20.Nd4 was stronger. **20...exd5**



A very unfortunate move and the one that loses on the spot. Boris wanted to gain the best version of Bxf6 exf6 Nd4 position, which would enter a rook endgame, but missed a much more relevant detail. **21.Bxf6!** Suddenly this cheapo works, as the f6 bishop lacks squares after 21...Bb3 22.e5!. **21...Bxf6 22.Qxd5+!** The bishop on f6 is sort of trapped and Black suddenly loses by force in all the variations. **22...Kh8**

23.Bd3 Rxh7+! would kill now.
[23.Qf7? Qb2+ 24.Kd2 Rd8+ 25.Bd5 Bh4-+]
23...Qb2+ 24.Kd2 Black is unable to capture the dark squared bishop because of concrete issues that follow. As I get to keep the bishop pair and the dangerous c-pawn, Black is completely lost here. **24...e6** 1.41/25 **25.Qh5→** White goes for the king. Dancing on a razor blade.
[25.Qb7 1.21/21 25.Qh5 1.66]
[25.Qe4]
[25.Qd7?! Bg5+ 26.Ke2 Qe5+ 27.Kf1 Qg7±]
25...Rxc2+? 4.83/23
[25...Nf8? 26.Qf7 *(26.Bxh7 Rc7±)* 26...Rxc2+ *(26...Bg7? 27.Bxh7 Bh6+ 28.Rxh6)* 27.Bxc2+-]
[25...Bc3+± 1.52/23 26.Nxc3 Qxc3+ 27.Ke3 Nf8]



Black cannot hold the game after this.
26.Bxc2+- With the knight rerouting, Black's position collapses like a house of cards. **26...Nf8**
[26...Qd4+

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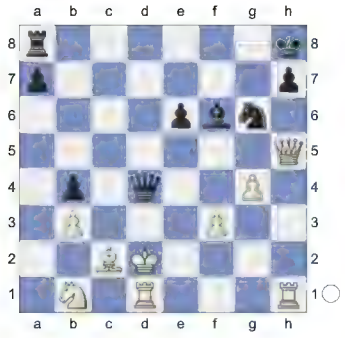
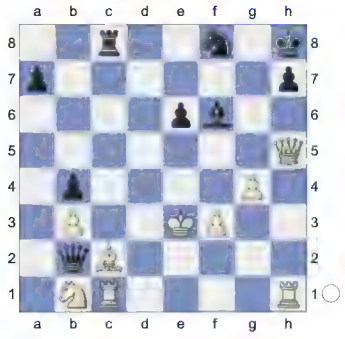


27.Ke2! Nf4+ I was feeling optimistic here, but it seems that with some minimal accuracy Black should be able to hold. 28.Kf1]
27.Rc1 2.68/21 Too many threats, with Bxf6 and Nd6 incoming.
[⌓27.Qc5 4.61/20]
27...Rd8+ 3.93/23
[⌓27...Rc8 2.68/21 28.g5 Rc5 29.gxf6 Rxh5 30.Rxh5 Qxf6]
28.Ke3 Rc8? 4.70/20
[28...Rd5 2.53/23 was called for. 29.Qf7 Bg7]



29.Qf7! Threatening mate with Rxh7+.
29...Bd4+ 30.Kd2 White wants to mate with Rxh7+.
[Less strong is 30.Kf4 Bg7 31.Ke3 Rxc2 32.Rxc2 Qxc2±]
30...Bg7

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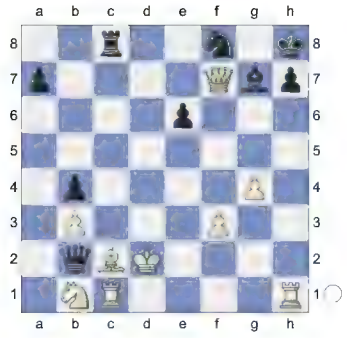
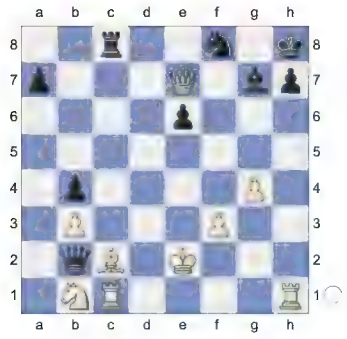


31.Qe7 1.93/23 And as Rxc5 is met by Nb7! Black resigned.

[⌓31.Qb7 4.38/18 Rc5 32.Qxb4 Rd5+ 33.Ke2]

31...Qd4+ 32.Ke2 Qb2! 2.69/21

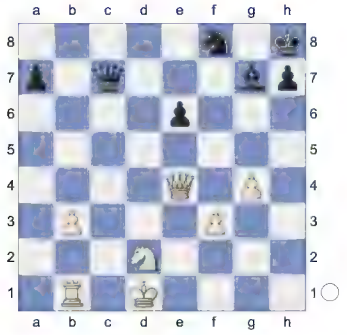
[⌓32...Qe5+ 1.73/22 33.Kf2 Qd4+ 34.Kg3 *(34.Kg2 Qb2±)* 34...Qe5+ 35.Kh3 Qf4]



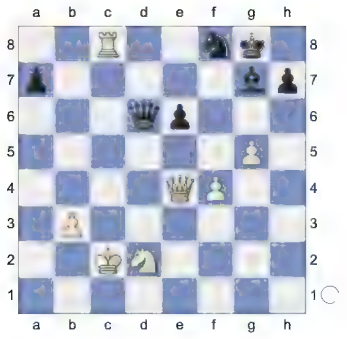
33.Qxb4! I didn't finish calculating the arising rook endgame, when Boris had decided to go for the rook vs two pieces position, but that one was quite lost as well. **33...Rxc2+ 34.Rxc2 Qxc2+ 35.Nd2 Qb2**

36.Rb1 Qe5+ 37.Qe4 Qh2+

All forced so far. Here I noticed 27...Rd8 and before I could calculate the pawn endgame, the move came. **38.Kd3** In fact White wins. **38...Nd7** And now ... Nc5+ would win. **39.Kc2** and the line is as straight as an arrow. **39...Qc7+ 40.Kd1** Rc1 is the strong threat. **40...Nf8**



41.Rc1 Qb6 42.Rc8 Kg8 43.Kc2 Bh6 44.f4 Qd6 45.g5 Bg7



Likely Boris had seen it, as it's all completely forced. **46.Qc4** or 0-0, leads to a very drawish rook endgame. Prevents Qa6. **46...h6** 7.95/24

[⌓46...Kh8 4.82/21 47.Ne4 Qxf4 48.Qxe6 Ba1]

47.Rc7? 2.91/21

[47.f5 7.95/24 Intending Qxe6+ and mate. hxg5 48.Qxe6+ Qxe6 49.fxe6]

47...Qb6 5.92/22

[47...hxg5 2.91/21 is tougher. 48.fxg5 Qe5]

48.f5

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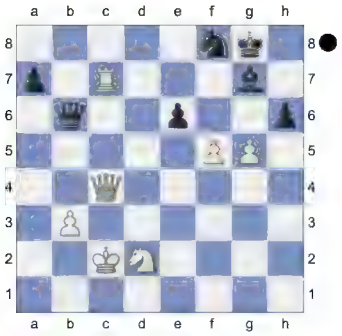

Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/ Black=0.54
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48 **B70**
□ **Maghsoodloo,Parham** **2707**
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[Chris Ward]

B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)
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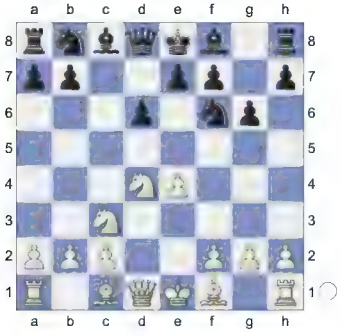


6.h4?! I miss my good old Dragon days when the occasional opponent would try an offbeat approach like this. Actually the young Iranian GM clearly has a penchant for the unusual as this month he also tried

[6.h3 Bg7 7.g4 in another game. Regular subscribers will know that we have scrutinised that approach before with 0-0 8.Bg2 Nc6 9.Nde2 obviously being a fianchetto system but with White's g-pawn slightly more advanced!]

6...h5N

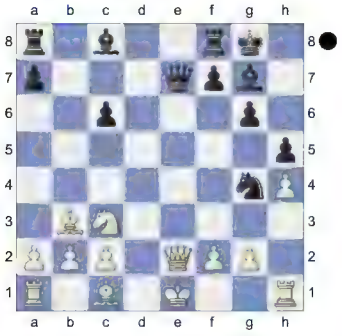
[One certainly couldn't argue with 6...Nc6 or 7.Bc4 Bg7 8.Nde2 a6 9.f3 b5 10.Bb3 Qb6 *(10...Bb7 11.Bg5 Na5 12.Qd2 Rc8 13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Nxb3 15.cxb3 Qb6* 29. Other Systems:-6. h4,7 Other Systems *)* 11.h5 Nxh5 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.g4 Nf6 14.Nxf6+ exf6 15.Qd5 Ne5 16.Qxa8 Nxf3+ 17.Kf1 0-0 18.Bf4 Qd7 19.Rd1 Qxg4 20.Qa7 Ng5 21.Qe3 Re8 Ivanovic,B (2500)-Georgiev,K (2615) Jugoslavija 66/186 1996 CI1-130 [Georgiev,Kiril] 0-1 (51)]

[6...Bg7 but I rather like the text, grasping the g4-square. Indeed I think that's why I'm not enamoured with White's 6th move which arguably shows his hand a little early. We see so many systems these days where Black flicks in an early ...h5 and doing it after White has committed themself to h2-h4 makes the advance super justified.]

7.Bc4 The downside is that Black is a little weaker around g6 and White immediately targets the base of that. **7...Bg7 8.Bb3 Nc6** Black could just castle but instead is deliberately delaying doing so, confident that standard punishing tactics don't work here. **9.Be3**

[For example then 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.e5 could happily be met by 10... Nh7 or even 10...Nd5 but here Ng4!

taking advantage of that post just looks good, especially in the case of (Note as in similar circumstances we've investigated recently not *10...dxe5* 0.70/18 10...Ng4 0.08 *11.Qxd8+ Kxd8 12.Bxf7* as the bishop doesn't get trapped on f7 because the black h-pawn has moved leaving g6 loose.) 11.exd6 0-0! 12.dxe7? -2.89/25 *(12.Bg5=* 0.04/17 *Qxd6 13.Qe2)* 12...Qxe7+-+ 13.Qe2



Re8! Okay so perhaps White's been a tad greedy but certainly 14.Qxe7 Rxe7+ 15.Kf1?? -7.00/24 *(⌓15.Be3* -3.57/23 *Nxe3 16.fxe3)* 15...Ba6+-+ 16.Kg1 Re1# is nice work if you can get it!]

9...Ng4! Anyone that has followed this site or read any of my Dragon books will know why this is such an appealing move. White can't afford to lose his dark-squared bishop for a knight. **10.Nxc6** White would rather not bring a black pawn to c6 to control d5 but this is the only real option open to him. **10...bxc6**

(Diagram)

11.Bg5

[Yes although 11.Bd4 -0.52/20 11.Bg5 -0.05 e5 12.Be3 Nxe3 13.fxe3 Bf6 -0.47/21 *(13...Bg4∓* -0.79/20 *14.Qd3 0-0)* 14.g3 might offer some f-file compensation, really this bishop needs to be preserved.]

11...Ba6

[Physically preventing castles although 11...Qb6 feels natural too with 12.0-0 -0.46/19 *(12.Qd2=* 0.01/20) 12...Ba6∓ 13.Ne2 (obviously this pin is a poor situation for White.) Bxb2 14.Rb1 simply bagging a pawn because of the cute Qc5! 15.Rxb2 -1.29/22 *(*White should play *15.c4* -0.87/18) 15...Qe5 forking the rook and mate on h2.]

12.Qd2 White instead over=protects f2 and clears the path for the option of long castles. **12...Qb6 13.f3 Ne5** Of course the game could go either way but for me Black has been for preference for a while. **14.Na4**

[14.0-0-0 would be met by Rb8 and so with the d5-square unavailable to the steed (a key point in my own preference) White tries something else.]

14...Qb7 (nor of course the c5-square)

15.Rd1

[15.0-0-0 would pile a lot of pressure

on the b3-bishop to remain in view of the protection required for b2.]

15...Bb5

[15...0-0 just looks good to me but the text does of course simply threaten to take the offside knight to facilitate a knight invasion on c4.]

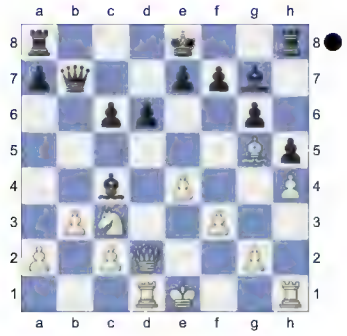
[15...Rb8]

I'm not a great fan of this and Black's next move which between them deserve a '?!'. Threatens to win with ...Bxa4.

16.Nc3 Nc4

[I'd far prefer keeping the tension say through 16...a5 rather than alleviating it through the text.]

17.Bxc4 Bxc4 Although this is an open board where the bishop pair should be attractive, the threat of the knight landing on c4 was awesome. **18.b3**



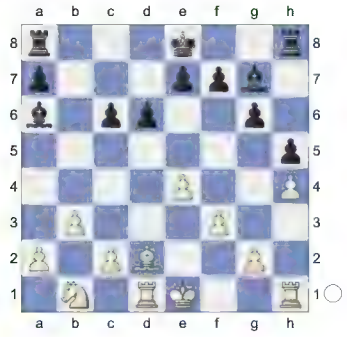
Qb4 19.Nb1

[19.Ne2 looked more natural but either way the queens are coming off.]

19...Qxd2+

[19...a5 is interesting. 20.c3 Qb6 21.bxc4 Rb8]

20.Bxd2 Ba6

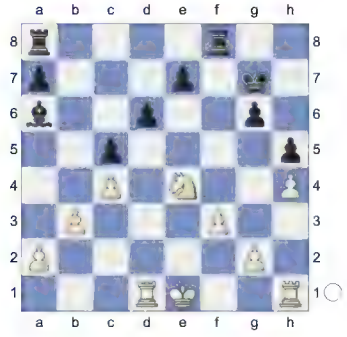


21.c4 Not the usual type of Maroczy bind we get on the site but certainly fulfilling a job oof shutting out one of Black's pair.

21...f5 0.37/20

[21...Bc8= -0.06/19 deserves consideration.]

22.Bc3!± And halving that pair is the logical call as typically a bishop for knight advantage isn't as big as 2 bishops Vs bishop and knight. **22...0-0 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Nc3** With the black bishop on a6 blocking a potential ...a5-a4 plan, now it is White who holds a small advantage. **24...fxe4 25.Nxe4 c5**



26.Kf2 Bc8

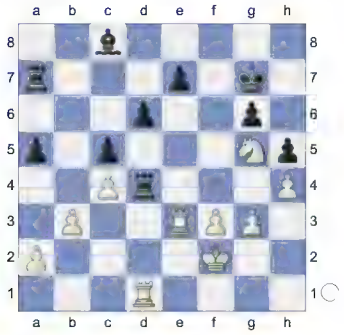
[Played in preference to 26...Bb7 in order to cover the hole on e6. Either way the ...a5-a4 plan is now on the menu.]

27.Rhe1 a5 28.Ng5

[28.Re3!? might have kept more options open with Bf5 29.Nc3 Ra7

30.Rde1 Strongly threatening Nb5. Rf7 and if 31.Nd5 then Kf8 being a case of all hands to the pump!]

28...Ra7 29.Re3 Rf4 Correctly seeking some activity of his own. **30.g3 Rd4**



Offering to mix things up a little with this is the point. **31.Ke1** -0.49/22

[Upon 31.Rxd4 cxd4 32.Re4! Black could support with e5 and stand just fine. However in the game Black is happy to trade a pair of rooks even without that central pawn structure being altered as of course he still has his main plan...]

[Better is 31.Rxd4= 0.01/25 cxd4 32.Re1]

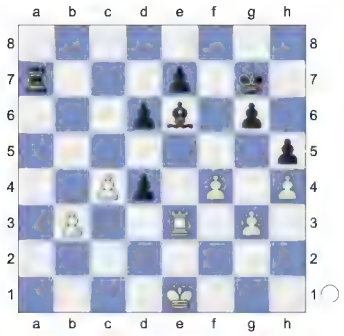
31...a4!∓ 32.f4 -1.20/23

[32.Rxd4∓ -0.45/21 cxd4 33.Rd3]

32...axb3 33.axb3 Bf5 -0.28/26 Black is once again for preference with suddenly him having the active pieces.

[33...Kf6∓ -0.78/23]

34.Rxd4 cxd4 35.Ne6+ Bxe6



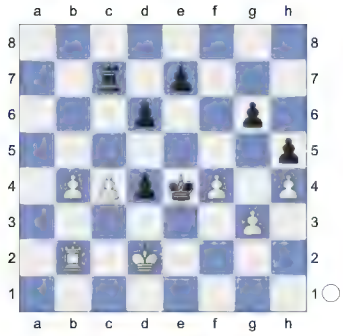
36.Rxe6 Endgame At the end of the day though we still have a rook and pawn ending and we all know that they're all drawn!? KR-KR **36...Rb7** And now ...Kf7 would win. **37.Re2** -1.02/24

[37.Re4∓ -0.37/26]

37...Kf6 -0.53/24

[37...Rxb3∓ -1.02/24 38.Rxe7+ Kf6]

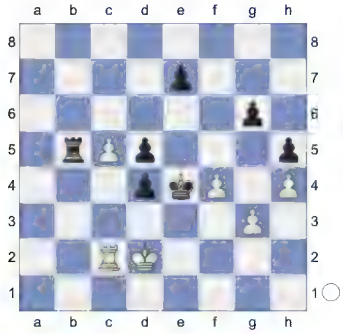
38.Rb2 Kf5 39.b4 Ke4 aiming for ... Kd3. **40.Kd2 Rc7**



41.Rc2

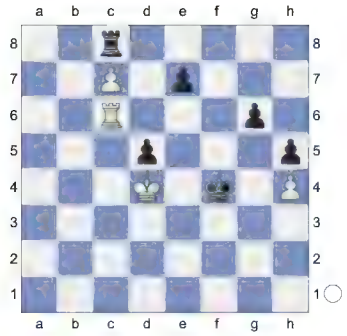
[41.b5 Rxc4 42.b6 Rc8 43.b7 Rb8 44.Rb5 e5 would maybe be a more exciting route to a draw!]

41...Rb7 42.Rb2 Rc7 43.Rc2 Rb7 44.b5 The position is equal. **44...d5 45.c5 Rxb5**

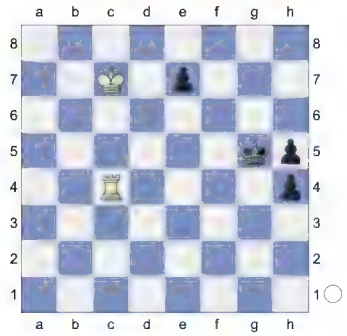


46.c6 Although we're getting a similar scenario. **46...Rb8 47.c7 Rc8 48.Rc6 Kf3 49.Kd3 Kxg3** Though less about connected passed pawns and more about volume! **50.Kxd4 Kxf4**

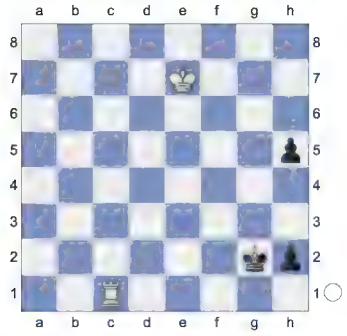
(Diagram)



51.Kxd5 Black must now prevent Ke6.
51...g5 52.Rc4+ Kf5 53.Kc6 gxh4 54.Kd7 Rxc7+ 55.Kxc7= KR-K3P
55...Kg5

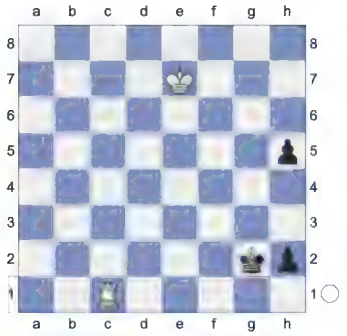


56.Kc6 h3 57.Kd5 h2 58.Rc1 Kf4 59.Ke6 Kg3 60.Kxe7 Kg2



61.Rc2+ Kg1 62.Rc1+ Kg2 63.Rc2+ Kg3 64.Rc1 Kg2

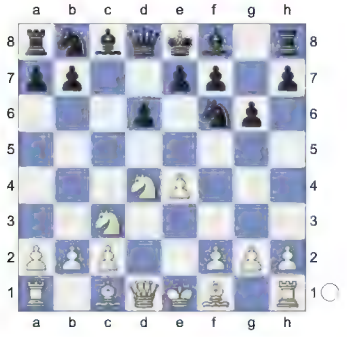
(Diagram)



Fair enough!
Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)
½-½

49 **B72**
□ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2707**
■ **Lie,K** **2489**
Titled Tue 25th Mar Late blitz (3) 25.3.25
[Kitty Kat]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6



6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Against Ng4 **7...h5 8.Qd2 Nxd4** White is slightly better.
9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Bb5+ Bd7

(Diagram)

11.Qd3 0-0
[11...Bc6 12.Bc4 e6 13.Nb5 Bf4 14.g3 Be5 15.0-0-0 a6 16.Bxe5 dxe5 17.Qc3 Nd7 18.Nd6+ Kf8 19.Nxb7 Qb6 20.Nd6 h4 21.Rhf1 a5 22.f4 Qb4 23.fxe5 Qxc3 24.Rxf7+ Kg8 25.bxc3 Nxe5 26.Rc7 Moussard,J (2635)-Morris,J (2437) Sitges ESP 2023 [Chris Ward] 1-0]
12.Bxf6 exf6N
[12...Bxb5 13.Qxb5 exf6 14.Nd5 a6 15.Qb6 Kg7 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.Kf2 Rac8 18.c3 Rc5 19.Rhd1 h4 20.Rd4 Rdc8 21.Rad1 Rc4 22.g3 hxg3+ 23.hxg3 Rxd4 24.Rxd4 Bc1 25.Rb4 b5 26.f4 f5 27.exf5 Shirov,A (2662)-Matinian,N (2470) Tornelo INT 2020 [Chris Ward] 1-0 (38) gxf5 28.Ke2 Rh8 29.a4 Rh2+ 30.Kf3 Rxb2 31.Rxb2 Bxb2 32.a5 Kg6 33.Ke2 Kh5 34.Kd3 Kg4 35.Nb4 Kxg3 36.Nxa6 Kxf4 37.Nb4 Bc1 38.a6 1-0 (38) Taroma Corpus,R (2662)-Guddat,J (2470) Las Palmas 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z]]
13.Bxd7
[But not 13.Qxd6 Bxb5 14.Qxd8 Rfxd8∓]
13...Qxd7 14.0-0 Rac8 15.Nd5 Inhibits Qc7. **15...Bg7**

(Diagram)

16.c3 0.16/17
[16.c4± 0.56/18]
16...Rfe8 0.56/17
[16...Rc6!= 0.16/17 is more appropriate.]
17.Kh1 0.18/17
[17.Qd4± 0.56/17 should be considered.]
17...Qc6 18.Rad1 Kh7 19.Nb4 Qa4 20.Qxd6 0.01/21
[20.b3± 0.71/18 Qa5 21.a4]
20...a5=

21.Nd5 Hoping for Nb6. **21...Qxa2** 1.00/21
[21...Re6= 0.11/21 22.Qf4 Qxa2]
22.Nxf6+ 0.69/22
[22.Qd7± 1.00/21]
22...Bxf6± 23.Qxf6 Rc6 24.Qf4 Qe6 1.13/17 Inhibits Rd7.
[Black should try 24...Rb6± 0.62/19]
25.Rd5± b6 1.39/22
[⌓25...Rb6 1.05/21]

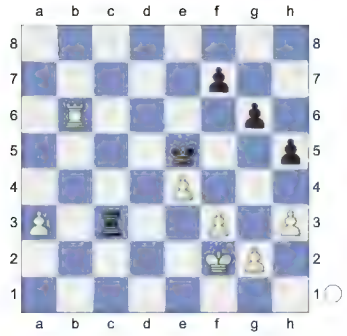
(Diagram)

26.Rfd1 Kg7 27.h3 &Bianco is more active. **27...Qf6 28.Qxf6+ Kxf6** Endgame KRR-KRR **29.Kg1 Ke6** 1.59/21
[⌓29...a4 1.12/20 30.Ra1 Rc4]
30.Kf2 a4

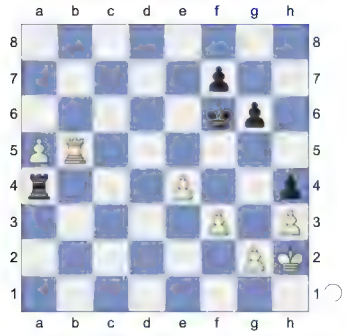
31.Rb5 Ra8 1.84/22
[31...Rb8± 1.51/21 32.Ra1 Rc4]

32.Ra1!+- a3 2.04/24
[32...h4± 1.60/20 33.Ra3 Ra6]
33.Rxa3 Rxa3 34.bxa3 Rxc3 35.Rxb6+ KR-KR **35...Ke5**

(Diagram)



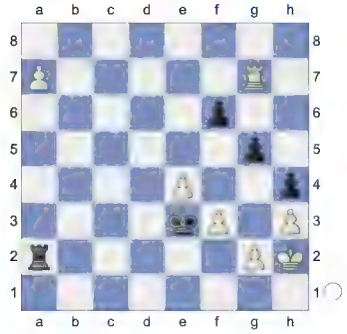
36.Rb5+ Kf6 37.a4 h4 38.a5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Ra2 40.Kh2 1.13/28
[40.Kf1+- 1.68/24]
40...Ra4 2.34/24
[40...Kg7± 1.13/28 might work better. 41.Rc5 Ra1]



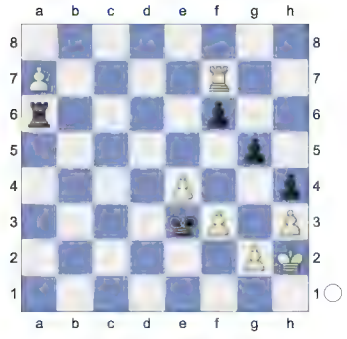
41.Rb6+ Ke5 42.a6 Ra2 43.Rb7 f6 44.a7 0.78/30
[44.Rg7+- 2.95/25]
44...Kf4? 3.36/29
[44...g5± 0.78/30 was called for. 45.Re7+ Kd6]
45.Rf7 1.88/30
[⌓45.Rh7 3.36/29]
45...Kg5 5.84/28
[45...Ke5 1.88/30 is more resistant. 46.Re7+ Kd6]

(Diagram)

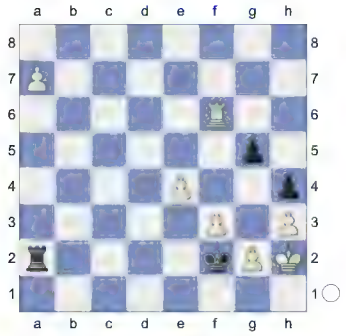
46.Rh7 Ra1 47.Rb7 Ra2 5.09/28
[⌓47...Kf4 3.55/31 48.Rg7 g5]
48.Kg1? 1.78/25
[48.Rf7 5.09/28]
48...Kf4 49.Rg7 0.61/29
[49.Rf7± 1.00/25 Kg3 50.Kf1]
49...g5!± 50.Kh2 Strongly threatening Re7. **50...Ke3?** 4.60/33
[50...Ke5± 0.82/31 is a better chance. 51.Re7+ Kd6]



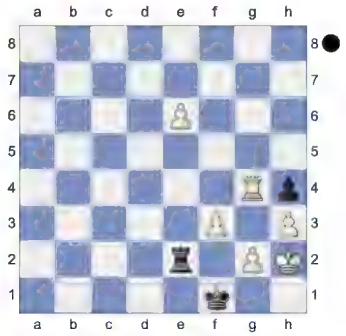
51.Rb7 2.54/32
[⌓51.Rf7 4.60/33 Ra6



52.Rxf6!! Rxa7 53.Rf5]
51...Kf4? 4.60/35
[51...Kd4 2.54/32 52.Re7 Ra1]
52.Rf7? 1.04/30
[52.Rb5+- 4.60/35 is more deadly. Rxa7 53.Rf5+ Ke3 54.Rxf6]
52...Ke5± 53.Re7+ Kf4? 4.26/28
[53...Kd6± 0.71/30 is tougher. 54.Rf7 Ke5]
54.Re6+- Ke3 55.Rxf6 Kf2? 6.98/29
[55...Rxa7 3.54/28 56.e5 Rg7]



56.Rg6 White is clearly winning.
[Inferior is 56.Rf7 Kf1=]
56...Kf1 57.Rxg5 aiming for Rg7.
[Worse is 57.Rg7 Rxg2+ 58.Kh1 Rg1+ 59.Kh2 Rg2+ 60.Kh1 Rg1+ 61.Kh2 Rg2+=]
57...Rxa7 58.Rg4 Ra2 59.e5 Re2 60.e6

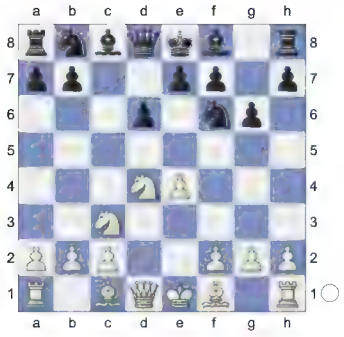


Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/ Black=0.79
1-0

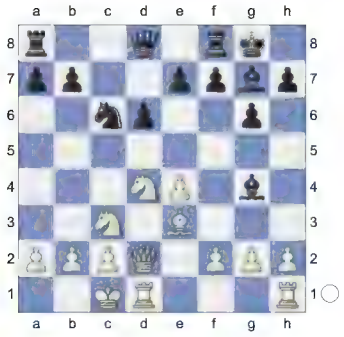
50 **B72**
□ **Vallejo Pons,F** **2702**
■ **Docx,S** **2434**
44th Olympiad 2022 (2.4) 30.07.2022
[Chris Ward]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.Qd2 0-0 8.Be2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Ng4 10.Bxg4 Bxg4



11.f3 Be6

[Not fearing 11...Nxe6 about which we have discussed the pros and cons of before and again below. If Black wants to keep his light-squared bishop active without allowing it to be taken then he could try 11...Nxd4 0.81/22 11...Be6 0.25 12.Bxd4 Be6 but the problem then is that he has traded off his knight that could have caused White problems by manoeuvring itself to c4. In fact that becomes a big topic for discussion in our main game.]

[The retreat to e6 is still not as popular as 11...Bd7 but has a similar (actually slightly better!) acceptable percentage in terms of results.]

12.Nd5N

[Aside from the aforementioned taking on e6, the common response is 12.Kb1 That standard move typically (but actually not here!) dissuades ... Qa5. Indeed

A) Generally sensible when possible but 12...Rc8 13.h4 0.01/20 *(*Instead *13.Nxe6 fxe6 14.Ne2!* is another route for White to take with the intention of scrutinising that e6-pawn.*; 13.Nxe6±* 0.46/20 is more appropriate. *fxe6 14.Ne2)* 13...Qa5!= White must now prevent ...Nxd4. 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.Qxa5 Nxa5 16.exd5 Nc4 was absolutely fine for Black in Carlsen,M (2832)-Nakamura,H (2786) chess.com INT 2018.;

B) 12...Qa5 13.Nd5 *(* This doesn't have the usual impact here because both the e7-pawn and the queen on a5 are protected. If though *13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Nd5* then after *Qd8!* White will have achieved nothing with his attacked knight forced to move again anyway.*; 13.Nxe6 fxe6 14.Ne2! Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Ne5 16.b3* also not being a problem for Black who can always defend his e6-pawn with ...Kf7. Prevents Nc4.*)* 13...Bxd5 *(13...Qxd2 14.Rxd2 Bxd5 15.exd5 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 b5* 6. Classical System - 6.Be2-N,N*)* 14.Qxa5 *(14.exd5?!* -0.38/22 14.Qxa5 0.38 allows *Qxd5)*

14...Nxa5 15.exd5 Nc4 worked out okay for Black in the site annotated Soham,D (2330)-Petrov,M (2542) Clichy FRA 2022. 16.Bg5 Rfe8 17.Rhe1 Kf8 18.Re4 h6 19.Bc1 Nb6 20.Nb5 Rec8 21.Be3 Nc4 22.Bd4 Bxd4 23.Nxd4 Nb6 24.Nb3 Rc7 25.Na5 Rac8 26.Rd2 Rc5 27.Nxb7 Nc4 28.Rdd4 R5c7 29.Nd8 Na5 30.Nc6 Nxc6 Ullrich,M-1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 b5 Oslo 2022 200 Traps In The Opening [John Watson] 0-1 (59)]

[Regards that trading of knights I was talking about, now 12.h4

A) 12...Qa5 13.Kb1 Rfc8 aiming for ...Nxd4. 14.Nd5 *(14.Nb3!? Qa6 15.Nd5=)* 14...Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Bxd5 16.exd5 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 was destined for a draw in Smith,B (2482)-Duncan,C (2319) Douglas ENG 2014.;

B) 12...Qa5!?;

C) 12...Ne5 threatens ...Nc4 and so 13.b3 is generally advised when Qa5 14.Kb1 Rfc8 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 Bxd5 17.exd5 h5 led to an equal endgame in Wieczorek,O (2500)-Kanarek,M (2484) Bydgoszcz POL 2022.]

[12.Nxc6 does of course stop the black steed from ever getting to c4 but at a price! After bxc6 Black has a handy half-open b-file as well as control over the d5-square and now for example 13.Bh6 Qa5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.a3 Rab8 16.Ne2 was absolutely fine for Black in the eventually drawn game Glek,I-Smirin,I Pula 1997.]

[So it still seems to me that the acid test is most likely 12.Nxe6 fxe6 when the pros and cons of this minor piece trade are clear. Black has handy control of the d5-square and what could be a useful half-open f-file for his rook. However the e6-pawn could be a target whilst the h7 and g6 king cover looks a tad flimsy in the absence of an f7-pawn. Most games in practice now continue 13.Bh6 Qa5 (Definitely the most logical with her majesty offering both attacking and defensive options.) 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 All in all I don't feel that this position should be a big deal for White although 15.h4 does leave Black deciding how to cope with his opponent's h-file aspirations. We have checked out Black immediately advancing his h-pawn before (to either h6 or h5) but actually despite my previous comment Rac8 looks okay intending to meet *(15...Kh8 16.Kb1 Rac8 17.f4 Rf7 18.g3 Qc5 19.e5 d5 20.Ne2 Na5 21.Nd4 Qb6 22.c3 Nc4 23.Qe2 a5 24.a4 Qc5 25.Nxe6 Qc6 26.Nd4 Qe8 27.b3 Nb6 28.e6 Rf6 29.Rd3 Na8 30.Qe5* Grochtmann,S (2517)-Sitnic,A (2391) Fourmies 2019 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (38)*)* 16.h5 with g5 when upon 17.h6+ most king moves look plausible!]

12...Rc8

[A useful inclusion before taking on d5. Instead the immediate 12...Bxd5 13.exd5 Ne5 14.b3 Inhibits Nc4. *(*And not *14.Bh6?* -2.58/21 14.Qe2 0.01 *Nc4 15.Qf4 e5! 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.Qg5 Qb6* which was disastrous for White in Kovarik,O (2050)-Blaho,S (2185) Slovakia 1997*.)* 14...Rc8 could end up transposing to the main game

through 15 h4 Rc5 but White has alternatives to prepare against his d5-pawn being targeted.]

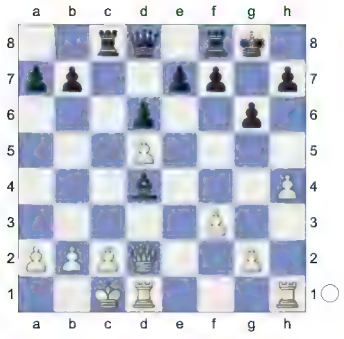
13.h4 Bxd5

[13...Ne5 feels hotter. 14.b3 Bxd5 15.exd5 Rc5]

14.exd5 The position is equal. **14...Nxd4**

[I just think this leaves White with a risk free advantage. Instead 14...Ne5! essentially forces 15.b3! to prevent the knight dropping into c4 when. Inhibits Nc4. Rc5! pressurises the d5-pawn. One possibility then is would transpose to the notes to Black's next move. 16.Ne2 *(16.h5)* 16...Ra5 17.Kb1 Rb5 bringing ...Nc4 back into play with... 18.Bd4 Rxd5 19.c4 -0.45/20 *(19.Qe3=* -0.12/20 *)* 19...Rxd4!∓ 20.Nxd4 -0.62/20 *(or 20.Qxd4 a5; 20.Qxd4=* -0.15/22 *Nc6 21.Qf4)* 20...Qb6 for me a very reasonable exchange sacrifice.]

15.Bxd4 Bxd4



16.Qxd4 Qa5 White has a weakness on e7 to target as well as attacking chances along the h-file and I think Black needs to distract White from those.

[Instead then 16...Qc7 17.Qd2 *(Rather than 17.Rd2 Qc4!* forcing the queens off*)* 17...Rfe8 0.71/21 *(17...Qc4 18.Kb1* doesn't help.*; 17...Qc4±* 0.31/23 *)* 18.h5 e5 19.dxe6 Rxe6 might swap two weaknesses for one. There is of course no longer a pawn on e7 whilst Black now has lateral defence available if need be along his second rank. Plus the e-file and pressure against c2 should make delivering checkmate tricky for White. Still the isolated d6-pawn won't be going away any time soon!]

[16...Qd7!? 17.h5 *(Not 17.Qxa7?* -0.54/23 17.h5 0.43 *Ra8; 17.g4 e5 18.dxe6! Qxe6 19.Kb1* is a similar assessment to my previous one although arguably f3 is a target too.*; 17.Rhe1 Qf5 18.Rd3 Rc7 19.g4 Qf6! 20.Qxf6 exf6 21.Rde3* isn't oodles of fun but could be defendable.*)* 17...Qf5 18.c3 b5 0.71/20 at least leaves the black queen on the right side of the board! *(18...Qg5+=* 0.15/17 keeps the balance. *19.Kb1 a6)*]

17.Kb1 b5

[Of course 17...Qc5 would be fine if the queens came off but 18.Qd2 leaves White bossing and h4-h5 up next.]

18.h5! Qc7 1.44/21

[If Black is looking to keep the h-file closed (as he should be) then 18...g5 would make sense immediately. However then 19.Qe3 is a simple fork with h6 20.Qxe7 1.01/22 *(⌓20.f4* 1.35/20 *)* 20...Qc7 21.Qxc7 Rxc7 leaves him a pawn down.]

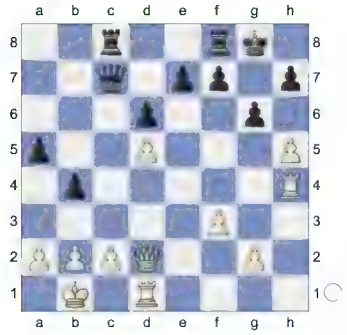
[⌓18...Rc7 1.11/22 19.c3 g5]

19.Qd2±

[19.Rd2 is also possible as with a2 protected, there is certainly no way for Black to force a trade of queens.]

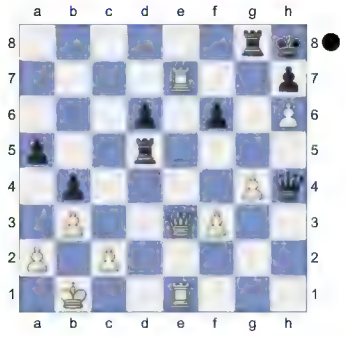
19...a5 Not that there is anything obviously better on offer, with White's queenside pawns still at home, this is all

too slow. **20.Rh4**
[Equally 20.Rh2]
[and 20.g4 feel promising but one can't argue with the game continuation.]
20...b4

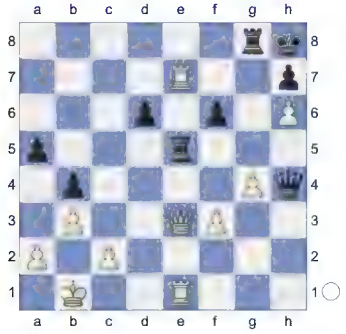


21.Rdh1 g5 A sad state of affairs but basically forced! **22.Qxg5+→** White wants a kill. **22...Kh8 23.Qd2** So Black isn't likely to get mated any time soon but now White simply has an extra pawn with fewer pawn islands to boot. Active counter play! **23...Rg8** 2.32/21
[23...Qb7 1.75/19 was called for. 24.h6 Rg8]
24.Re4 With a pawn in the bag, now e7 comes under the microscope. **24...f6**
25.Rhe1 Rg5
[25...Rg7 26.h6 Rf7 27.g4 would just be grim!]

26.Rxe7 Qc4 27.h6 Initiating back-rank mate threats. **27...Rcg8 28.b3 Rxd5?** 9.16/22
[Or 28...Qxd5 29.Qxd5 Rxd5 30.g4 with a doubling on the 7th rank up next. Inhibits Rh5.]
[⌓28...Qxd5 3.93/26 29.Qxd5 Rxd5]
29.Qe3!+- Qh4 30.g4? 3.49/24
[although 30.f4 And now Re8 would win. Qxh6 31.Qe6 was more accurate.]
[30.f4 9.12/25]

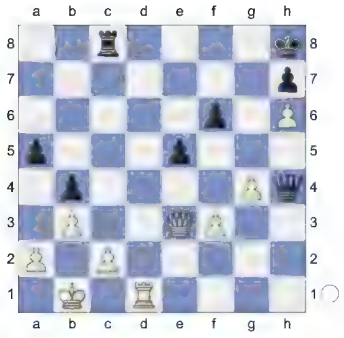


Threatening Qe4 amongst other things.
30...Re5

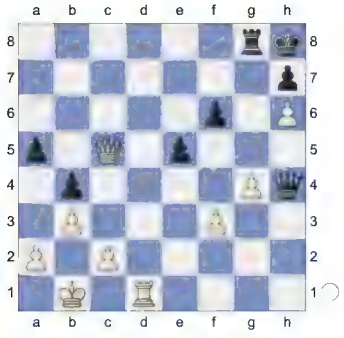


31.Qd2 Rc8? 4.80/25
[31...Rxe1+ 2.83/23 32.Rxe1 Qg3]
32.R7xe5 dxe5 Endgame KQR-KQR
33.Rd1 Threatening mate with Qd8+!
33...Rg8 Prevents Qd8. **34.Qe3 Rc8** 4.83/23
[⌓34...e4 3.23/23 35.Qxe4 Qxh6]

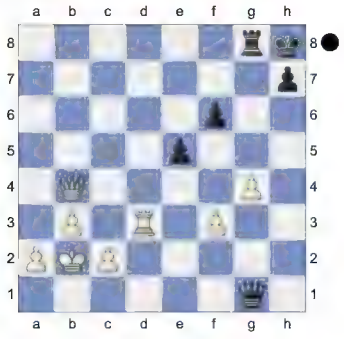
(Diagram)



35.Qc5!! Rg8
[35...Rb8 36.Qc7]



36.Qxa5 Qxh6 White is clearly winning.
37.Qxb4 Qe3 38.Rd3 Qg1+ 39.Kb2



White took control after the opening.
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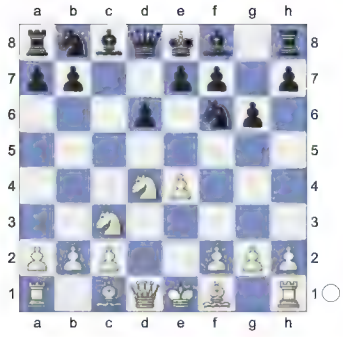
51 **B76**
□ **Revnov** **2702**
■ **Theessssjuuus** **2504**
Blitz 28.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

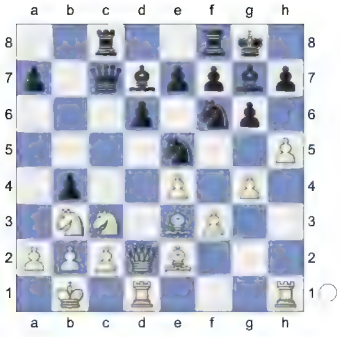
Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Bd7 10.Kb1 Rc8

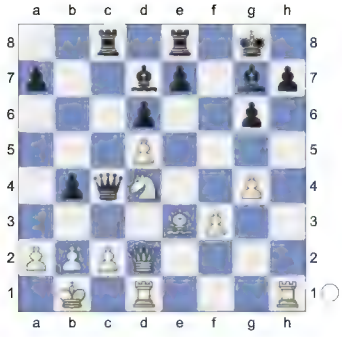
11.g4 Ne5 12.Be2 Qa5 13.Nb3 Qc7 14.h4 White is better.
[14.Bxa7?! b6 15.g5 Nxe4! 16.fxe4 Qxa7=]
14...b5 15.h5 -0.06/20
[15.g5± 0.52/20 Nh5 16.Nd5 *(16.Nxb5 Bxb5 17.Bxb5 Nxf3=; 16.Bxb5 Nxf3 17.Qg2 Bxc3=)*]
15...b4=

(Diagram)

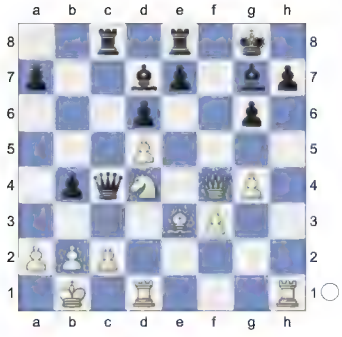


16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Rfe8N 1.00/21
[17...Bf6± 0.47/18]
[17...a5 18.Bh6 *(18.Nd4 Bf6 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Ba6 Nc4 21.Qh2 Rf7 22.Bxc8 Nxe3 23.Bxd7 Qxd7 24.Ne6 Nxd1 25.Rxd1 a4 26.Qe2* Qd2 Stuff-For White Chisinau (MDA) 2011 *)* 18...Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Qxc2+ 20.Ka1 Qxe2 21.hxg6 Qxd1+ 22.Rxd1 fxg6 23.Nd4 Rf7 24.Rh1 Rc5 25.Ne6 Rxd5 26.Ng5 Rg7 27.Qh4 Nf7 28.Ne4 Re5 29.Rc1 h6 30.Rc7 d5 31.Nc5 Bb5 32.a4 Short,N (2684)-Bu,X (2620) Taiyuan 2004 CBM 102 [Rogozenco,Dorian] ½-½ (38)]
[17...f5 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Bh6 f4 20.Nd4 Qc5 21.Qe1 Rf7 22.Qh4 Nxf3 23.Bxf3 Bxd4 24.Be4 Ba4 25.Rh2 Bxb2 26.Qg5 Bg7 27.Qxg6 Qc3 28.Qh7+ 1-0 (28) Louvrier St Mary,J (2606)-Richter,W (2469) Odessa UKR 2001 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z]]
18.Nd4± Nc4 1.25/18
[⌓18...a5 0.74/19 19.hxg6 fxg6 B5 Bd6-4.c3 ♕b6 ChessPub Guide 2009 CBM 139 Extra [Nickel]]
19.Bxc4 Qxc4 20.hxg6 fxg6

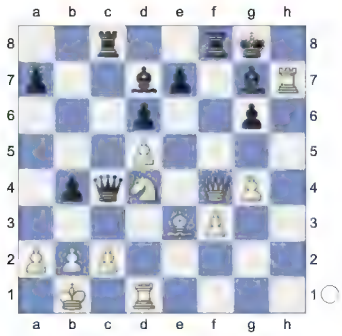
(Diagram)



21.Qh2 Kf7? 7.54/19
[21...h6± 1.23/20]
22.Qf4+!+-
[22.Qxh7? Rh8 23.b3 Qxd5-+]
22...Kg8



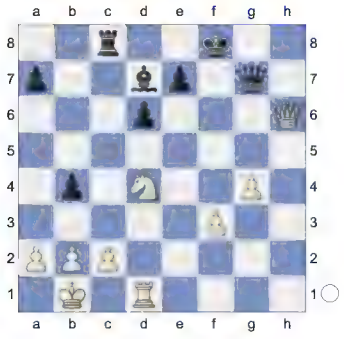
23.Rxh7!! Rf8
[23...Qxd5 24.Rxg7+]



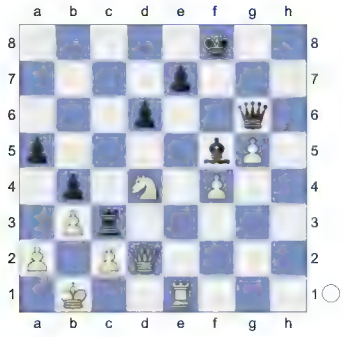
24.Rxg7+! Kxg7 25.Qh6+ Kf7

(Diagram)

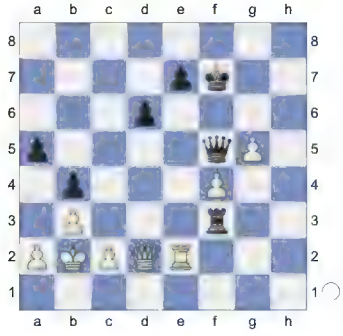
26.Qh7+ Ke8 27.Bh6? 1.99/23
[27.Bg5 9.05/23 Rf7 28.Qg8+ Rf8 29.Qxg6+ Rf7 30.Ka1]
27...Qxd5 aiming for ...Qf7. **28.Bxf8→** White goes for the king.
[Worse is 28.Qxg6+ Qf7 29.Qe4 Rg8=]
28...Kxf8 29.Qxg6 Qf7 30.Qh6+ 1.22/19
[30.Qe4+- 2.59/19]
30...Qg7 1.90/19
[30...Ke8± 1.22/19 was worth a try. 31.Qh8+ Qf8]



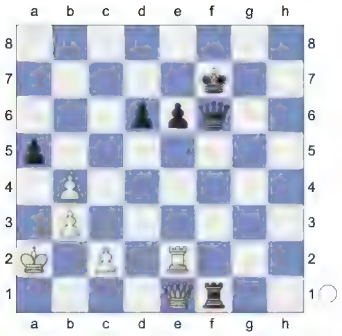
31.Qd2 a5 32.b3 1.20/18
[32.Re1+- 1.95/17]
32...Rc3 1.87/19
[32...Rc5± 1.20/18 33.Qf4+ Ke8]
33.Re1 1.41/19
[33.a3+- 1.87/19]
33...Qf6 2.30/19
[33...Rc5± 1.41/19 34.Ne6+ Bxe6 35.Rxe6 Qg5]
34.g5 Qg6 5.22/20
[34...Qf7 2.12/19 35.f4 a4]
35.f4 Bf5 3.77/19
[⌓35...Qh5 2.69/19 36.f5 Rh3]



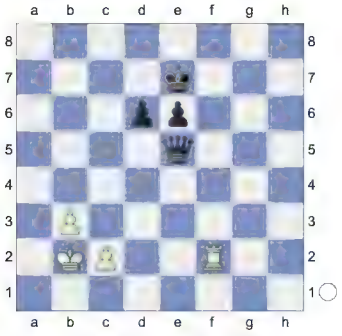
36.Nxf5 Qxf5 Endgame KQR-KQR
37.Qe2 Rc7 38.Qd2? -0.01/20
[White should play 38.Qh2+- 2.60/22]
38...Kf7? 2.35/21
[38...Rc3!= -0.01/20]
39.Kb2 Rc3 40.Re2 Rf3 3.34/23
[⌓40...Rc5 1.89/20 41.a3 *(41.Qe3 e5±)* 41...bxa3+ 42.Kxa3 Rc7]



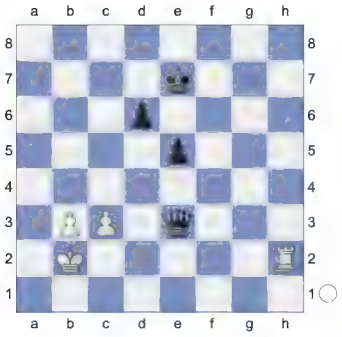
41.Qe1 1.76/20
[⌓41.Rxe7+!! 3.34/23 Kxe7 42.Qe2+ Kf7 43.Qxf3]
41...e6 42.g6+? -0.01/22
[Better is 42.Qh1+- 2.03/21 Rxf4 43.Qb7+ Kg6 44.Qc8]
42...Qxg6= 43.a3 Qf6+ 44.Ka2 Rxf4 And now ...Rf1 would win. **45.axb4?** -5.46/22
[45.Qg1= 0.01/18 and White stays safe.]
45...Rf1-+
(Diagram)



Black is clearly winning. **46.bxa5 Rxe1 47.Rxe1** KQ-KR **47...Qc3 48.Rf1+ Ke7 49.Rf2 Qxa5+ 50.Kb2 Qe5+**



51.c3 Qe3 52.Rh2 e5



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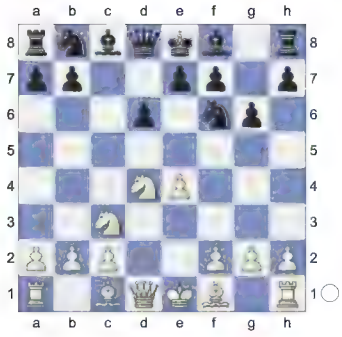
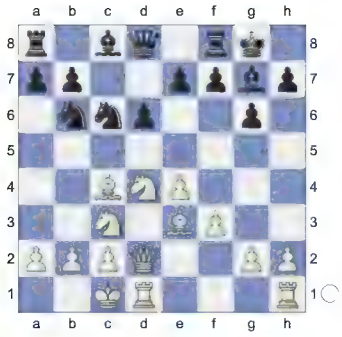
52 **B77**
□ **Blitzmodoturbo** **2699**
■ **Sergeiaza** **2697**
Blitz 24.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Nd7 10.0-0-0 Nb6



11.Bb3 Na5 12.Qe2 Bd7
[12...Nxb3+ 13.axb3 a5 14.h4 *(14.Ndb5 a4 15.Bxb6 Qxb6 16.bxa4 Be6 17.b3 Rfc8 18.Nd5 Qd8 19.c4 Bd7 20.Ndc3 Qa5 21.Kc2 Rc5 22.Rb1 Qb4 23.Qd3 Bxb5 24.Nxb5 Rxb5 25.cxb5 Rc8+ 26.Kd1 Bh6 27.e5 Rc3 28.Qd5 Rc5* Brunello,S (2499)-Gilevich,A (2416) Monselice 2023 1-0 (42)*)* 14...a4 15.h5 axb3 16.cxb3 Bd7 17.g4 Ra1+ 18.Kc2 Rxd1 19.Kxd1 Qa8 20.Kc2 Qa5

21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Qh2 h5 23.gxh5 gxh5 24.Rg1 Rf7 25.Rg5 Qa1 26.Qxh5 Qf1 27.Rg1 Levano Loayza, A (2700)-Nedev,T (2600) corr 2012 CR97-75 [Dragan Solak] 1-0]

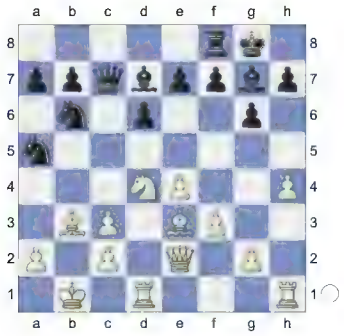
13.Kb1 0.10/19

[13.h4± 0.45/18]

13...Rc8= 14.h4N

[14.Nd5 Nxb3 15.Nxb3 Nxd5 16.Rxd5 Be6 17.Rg5 a5 18.h4 a4 19.Nd4 Bc4 20.Qf2 e5 21.Ne2 d5 22.h5 h6 23.Rg4 d4 24.Bc1 Be6 25.Rgh4 g5 26.R4h2 f5 27.Ng3 f4 28.Nf1 Qd7 De la Fuente,A-Gonschier Skelleftea 200 Traps In The Opening [John Watson] (32) 29.g4 d3 30.b3 axb3 31.axb3 Bxb3 32.c3 Bc2+ Chapter-Games Game 4 (32)]

14...Rxc3! 15.bxc3 The position is equal. **15...Qc7**



16.h5 Threatens to win with hxg6.

16...Rc8

[16...Qxc3? 17.Rd3 Qc8 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Qe1 Nxb3 20.cxb3+- *(20.Qh4 f6+-)*]

17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Bh6 Hoping for Bxg7.

18...Bf6 19.f4 -0.59/18

[19.Bd2= -0.11/19]

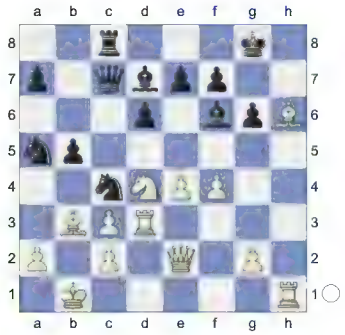
19...Nbc4 0.06/18 Pair of Knights!

[19...Nxb3 20.axb3 Qxc3 21.e5±]

[Black should play 19...Qxc3∓ -0.59/18 20.Qd3 Na4 21.Bxa4 Bxa4 22.Qxc3 Rxc3]

20.Rd3 b5 0.70/17

[20...Na3+!= -0.01/20 21.Kb2 Qc5]



21.f5± Strongly threatening Bc1.

21...Na3+ 22.Kb2! And now Bd5 would win. **22...b4?** 2.71/20

[22...Nxb3± 1.11/18 was called for. 23.axb3 *(23.cxb3 b4=)* 23...b4]

23.fxg6 1.45/18

[23.cxb4 Nxb3 24.fxg6 *(24.cxb3? Qb6-+)* 24...fxg6! 25.cxb3 Nc2∓]

[23.Bd5+- 2.71/20]

23...Nxb3?? #5/12

[23...N3c4+± 1.45/18 24.Kc1 Nxb3+ 25.cxb3 *(25.axb3 Qa5±)* 25...fxg6 26.bxc4 Qxc4]

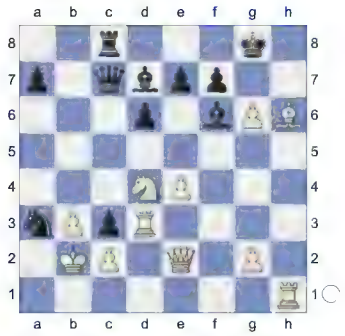
24.axb3? 1.04/19

[24.cxb3 fxg6 25.c4 Nb5!±]

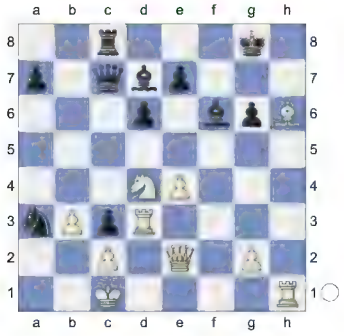
[24.gxf7+ #5/12 mates Kxf7 25.Qh5+ Kg8 26.Qg6+ Kh8 27.Bg5+ Bh3 28.Rhxh3#]

24...bxc3+? 4.44/23

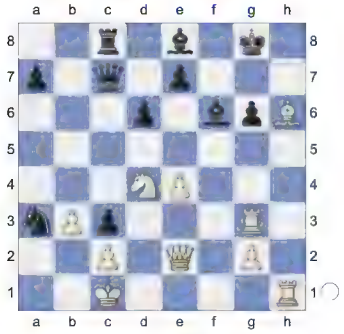
[24...fxg6± 1.04/19 is tougher. 25.Rg3 Be8]



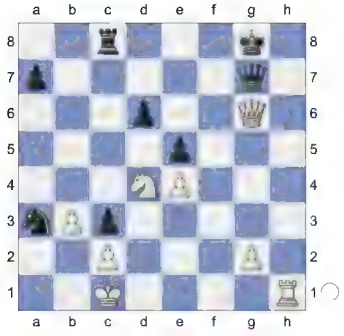
25.Kc1!+-
[Less strong is 25.Ka2 fxg6 26.e5 Bg7±]
25...fxg6



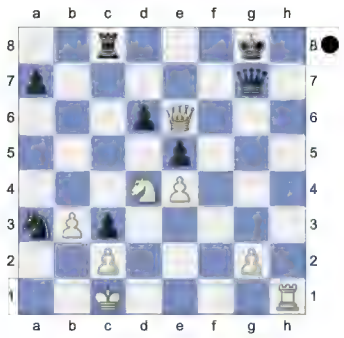
26.Rg3?→ -0.01/19 Black needs to defend precisely. Really sharp!
26...Be8? #11/17
[26...Bxd4 is a self mate. 27.Qh5 Be8 28.Rxg6+]
[26...Qa5= -0.01/19]



27.Qh5! Bg7
[27...e5 28.Rxg6+]
28.Rxg6 Bxg6 29.Qxg6 e5 30.Bxg7 Qxg7



31.Qe6+



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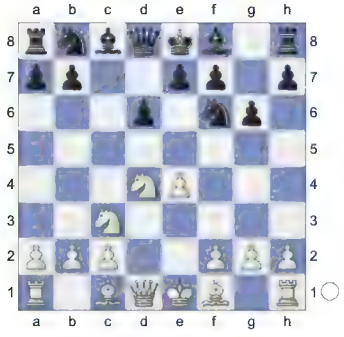
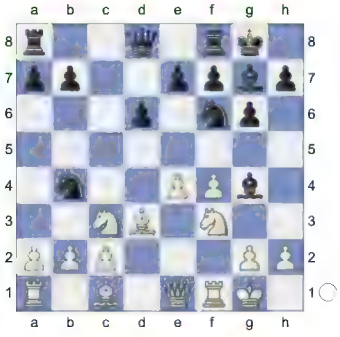
53 **B71**
□ **Aimlesstractor** **2699**
■ **Chess Ark** **2719**
Blitz 07.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B71: Sicilian Dragon: 6 f4
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6

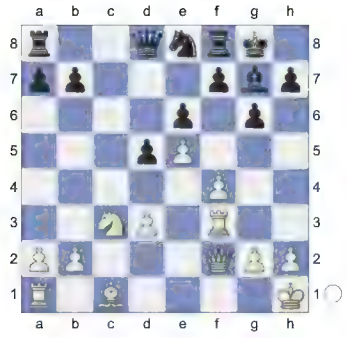


6.f4 Nc6 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Bd3 0-0 9.0-0 Bg4
[9...b5 10.Qe1 Nb4 11.Qh4 Nxd3 12.cxd3 b4 13.Nd1 e6 14.Be3 Ba6 15.Nf2 Nh5 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.g4 Nf6 18.Rac1 h5 19.gxh5 Nxh5 20.Rc7 Rdc8 21.Rfc1 Bxb2 22.R1c6 Bb7 23.Rc4 Ba6 24.R4c6 Holzmann,H-Rybka,S corr 2012 Inf 9 [Bennett,William] ½-½ (44)]

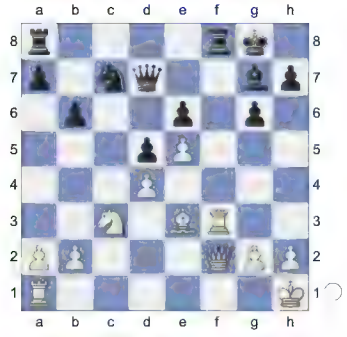
10.Qe1 Nb4N
[10...Bxf3 11.Rxf3 e6 12.Kh1 Rc8 13.Rf1 Re8 14.Qf2 a6 15.f5 Nd7 16.Qg3 Qb6 17.Nd1 Nce5 18.Be3 Qa5 19.Bg5 h6 20.Be3 Kh7 21.Qh3 exf5 22.exf5 Qb4 23.Nf2 Nc5 24.a3 Qa4 25.Rae1 Polgar,J (2675)-Topalov,V (2700) Leon 1996 CBM 054 [Johnson,Marcus] 1-0 (36) Ncxd3 26.cxd3 h5 27.Bd2 Ng4 28.Ne4 Qc2 29.Rc1 Qxb2 30.Qf3 Ne5 31.Qe3 Qxa3 32.Bc3 Kg8 33.fxg6 fxg6 34.Qb6 Rf8 35.Qxb7 Qa2 36.Bxe5 1-0 (36) Levano Loayza,A (2675)-11...Qc7 12.Nbd2 cd4 13.c,4 (2700) Liechtenstein 1996 CBM 096 [Hilbert book p241-2; The Field 20 Dec 1901]]
[10...Rc8 11.Kh1 Qa5 12.Qg3 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 Nd4 14.Qh3 d5 15.Bd2 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Qd5 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Bc3 Rc5 19.f5 Nxf5 20.Bxf6 exf6 21.Bxf5 gxf5 22.Rad1 Qe6 23.c3 B5 Bd6-6.Nxe4 Agde 2011 CBM 45 group4 [Lane, CCYB6]]



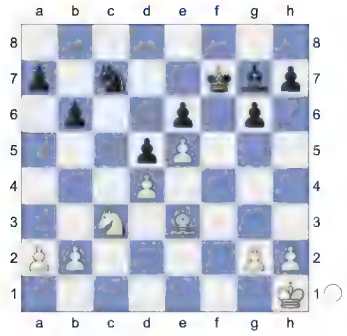
11.Kh1 Nxd3 Black has an edge.
12.cxd3 Bxf3 13.Rxf3 d5 0.26/19
[⌓13...Qb6 -0.19/15]
14.e5= Ne8 0.62/17
[14...Ng4= 0.23/18]
15.Qf2 0.19/17
[15.f5!± 0.62/17]
15...e6



16.Be3 b6 Inhibits Bc5. **17.Nb5 Qd7 18.Nc3** 0.01/18
[18.Nd4± 0.34/18 should be considered.]
18...f6 19.d4 fxe5 0.48/20
[19...Rc8= 0.04/17]
20.fxe5 Nc7



21.Rf1 Rxf3 22.Qxf3 Rf8 23.Qe2 Rxf1+ 24.Qxf1 Qf7 25.Qxf7+ 0.06/23
[25.Kg1± 0.43/18]
25...Kxf7±



Endgame KBN-KBN **26.Kg1 Bf8 27.Kf2 Bb4 28.Ne2 Nb5 29.Nf4 Bf8 30.g4 Nc7**

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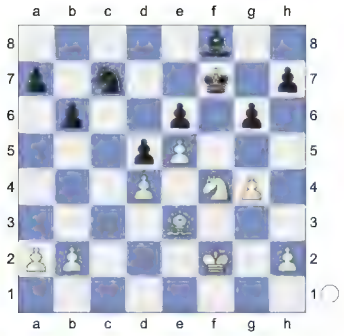
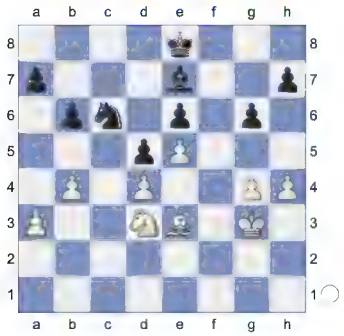
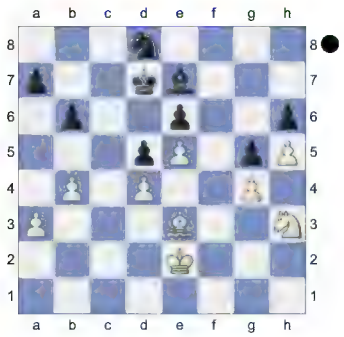


31.Nd3 Na6 32.a3 Nb8 33.h4 Nc6 34.b4 Be7 35.Kg3 Ke8 0.28/23
[35...b5 -0.21/25 was preferrable.]



36.Nf4
[36.b5!? Na5 37.a4=]
36...Kd7 37.h5 g5 38.Nh3 h6 39.Kf3? -1.11/26
[39.b5± 0.42/23 keeps the upper hand. Na5 40.a4]
39...Nd8∓ Threatens to win with ...Kc6.
40.Ke2 -2.09/27
[40.b5∓ -1.07/24 was called for.]



40...Kc6!-+

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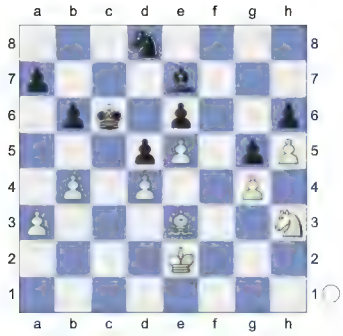
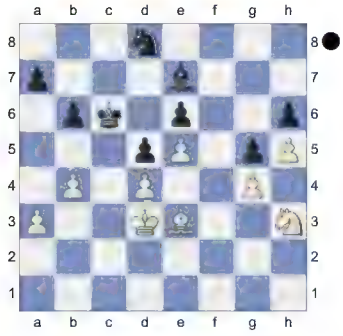
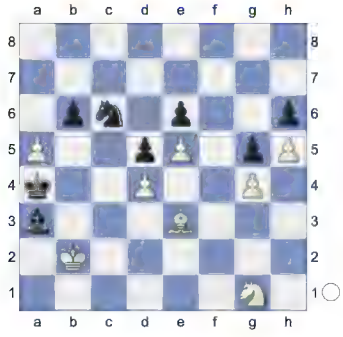


41.Kd3



Kb5! 42.Kc3 Ka4 43.Kb2 -3.28/26
[⌓43.Bc1 -2.21/27]
43...Nc6 -1.88/24
[⌓43...a5 -3.28/26 44.Bd2 axb4 45.axb4 Nc6]
44.Ng1 -2.75/26
[44.Bd2 -1.88/24 was necessary.]
44...a5 45.bxa5 -4.63/28
[⌓45.Bd2 -3.18/23 axb4 46.axb4]
45...Bxa3+



46.Kc2 bxa5 Black is clearly winning.
47.Nf3 Be7 48.Ne1 Kb5

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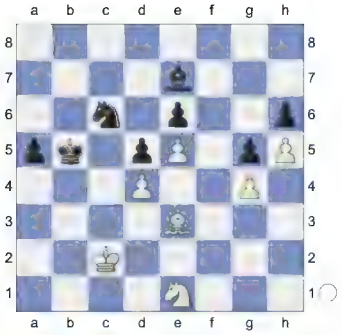

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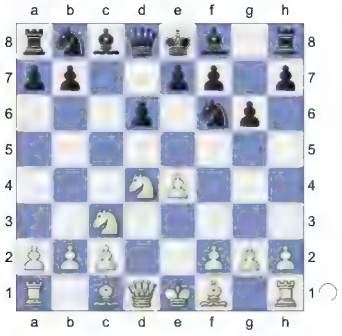
54 **B77**
□ **Medarde94** **2699**
■ **Mischuk,Dmitry** **2659**
Blitz 03.03.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
Motylev,A: 'Inf 80/210' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6

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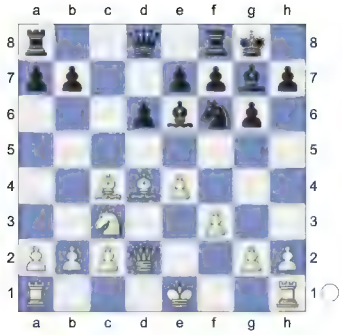
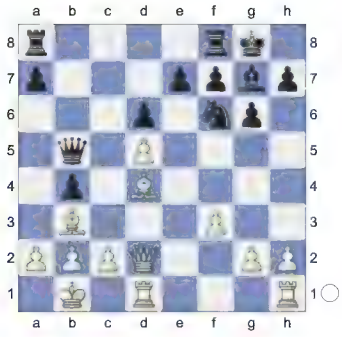


11.Bb3 Qa5 12.0-0-0 b5 13.Kb1 b4 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Qb5!

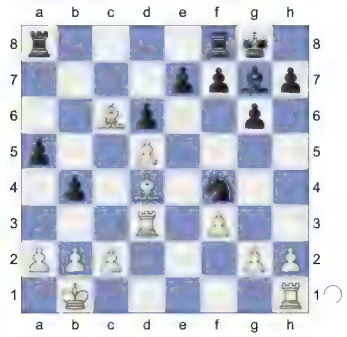


16.Qd3 Qxd3 17.Rxd3 a5N 0.78/21
[17...Rfc8± 0.36/19 18.Re1 Rc7 19.c3 *(19.Bf2 Kf8 20.Ba4 Rac8 21.Bh4 Nh5 22.Re4 Be5 23.Rxb4 Rc4 24.Be1 Nf4 25.Ra3 Nxg2 26.Bc6 Rxb4 27.Bxb4 Rb8 28.c3 Bxh2 29.Rxa7 h5 30.Ba5 Bg1 31.Rd7 h4 32.Bd8 Bc5 33.Bxe7+ Kg8* Sebastian,D (2445)-Watson,W (2490) Berlin GER 2022 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (39) *)* 19...a5 20.cxb4 axb4 21.Rdd1 Bh6 22.g3 Kf8 23.f4 Nd7 24.Rc1 Nc5 25.Rc4 f5 26.Be3 Ra5 27.Rxb4 Nxb3 28.Rxb3 Rxd5 29.a4 Bg7 30.a5 Bd4 31.Rd1 e5 32.a6 Ra5 Motylev,A (2570)-Felgaer,R (2420) Linares 2001 CI1-130 [Motylev,Alexander] (34)]
[17...Nd7 18.f4 Bxd4 19.Rxd4 a5 2. Yugoslav Attack with 9.Bc4-11. Bb3 #10]
18.Ba4± Nh5 19.Bc6 0.48/24
&Bianco is more active.

[19.Be3± 0.95/22]

19...Nf4 1.08/21

[19...Bxd4± 0.48/24 20.Bxa8 *(20.Rxd4 Rac8=)* 20...Bc5]



20.Rd2! Rac8 1.44/21

[20...Bxd4!± 0.39/21 21.Rxd4 e5 22.dxe6 Nxe6 23.Rxd6 Ra6]

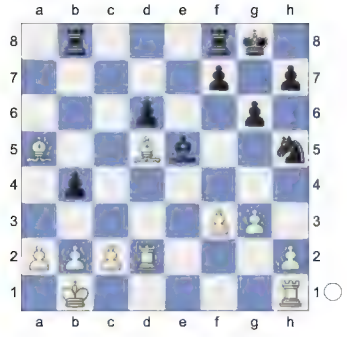
21.Be3 Be5 1.71/21

[21...g5± 1.22/19 might work better. 22.h4 Ng6]

22.g3+- Nh5 23.Bb6 e6 3.14/20

[23...a4 1.89/20 was called for. 24.f4 *(24.Bxa4 Ra8±)* 24...Bg7]

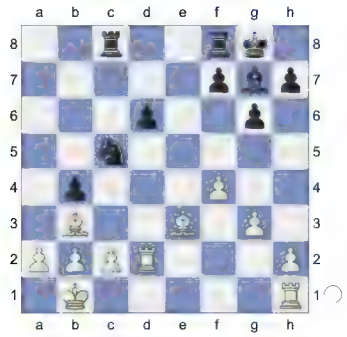
24.Bxa5 exd5 25.Bxd5 Rb8



26.Bc7 A strong pair of Bishops.

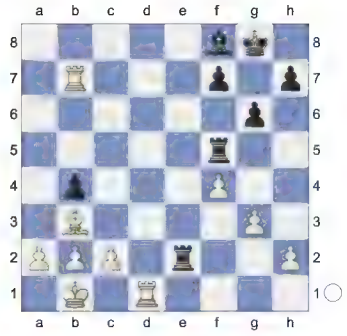
26...Rbc8 27.Bb6 Nf6 28.Bb3 Black must now prevent f4. **28...Nd7 29.Be3** Threatens to win with f4.

29...Nc5 30.f4 Bg7



31.Rxd6 Strongly threatening Bxc5.

31...Rfe8 32.Bxc5 Rxc5 33.Rd7 Rf5 34.Rhd1 Bf8 35.Rb7 Re2



36.h4 Re3 37.a4 bxa3 38.Rdd7?? -2.27/21

[38.bxa3+- 1.66/19 avoids the disaster. Rdd7 is the strong threat. Rxg3 39.Rdd7]

38...Rxg3?? 3.71/22

[38...a2+!-+ -2.27/21 and all is fine. 39.Ka1 Re1+ 40.Kxa2 Ra5+ 41.Ba4 Rxa4+ 42.Kb3 Rae4]

39.Bxf7+ Kh8? 13.40/23

[39...Rxf7 3.94/24 40.Rxf7 axb2 41.Kxb2 h6]

40.bxa3 White threatens Bc4 and mate.

40...Rxf4

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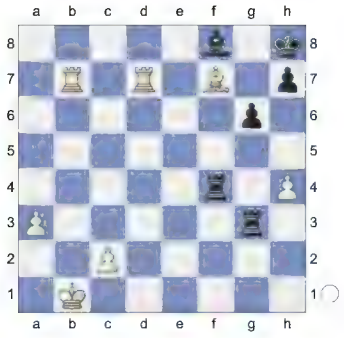
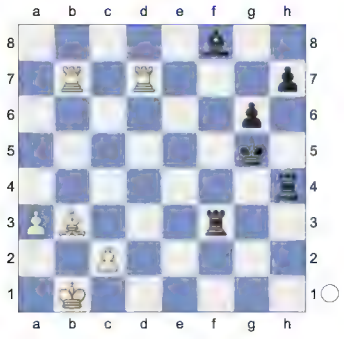
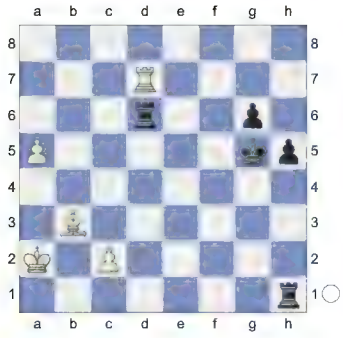


41.Bb3 5.21/23
[⌓41.Bd5 #10/21 Rxh4 42.Rf7 Bd6 43.Rbd7 Rg1+ 44.Ka2 Ra1+ 45.Kxa1 Rh1+ 46.Bxh1]
41...Rxh4 42.Rd8 Rf3 43.Rbb8? 0.63/21
[White should try 43.Bf7+- 4.05/23]
43...Kg7± 44.Rb7+ 0.01/19
[White should play 44.a4± 0.52/21]
44...Kh6 0.36/21
[44...Kh8!= 0.01/19]
45.Rdd7 -0.17/18
[45.Ka2± 0.36/21]
45...Kg5

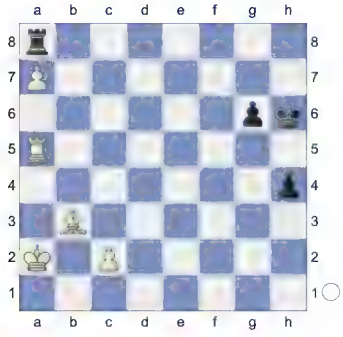


46.a4 h5! 47.a5 Rf6 48.Rb6 Rh1+ 1.25/20
[48...Rhf4!= -0.01/20]
49.Ka2 0.01/20
[49.Kb2± 1.25/20 Rhf1 50.Bc4]
49...Bd6? 8.53/21 A mistake that costs the game. **50.Rbxd6 Rxd6**

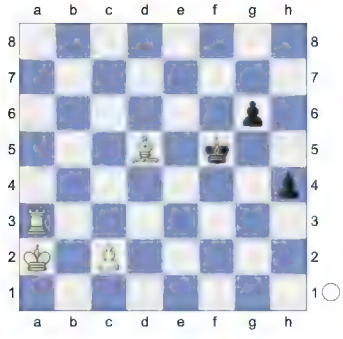
(Diagram)



51.Rxd6+- Endgame KRB-KR **51...Rf1 52.Rd5+ Kh6 53.a6 Rf8 54.Ra5** Threatening mate with a7. **54...Ra8 55.a7** White wants to mate with Bd5. **55...h4**



56.Bd5 Rxa7 57.Rxa7 Kg5 58.Ra3 11.78/21
[⌓58.Rf7 #11/21 h3 59.c4 Kh5 60.c5 h2 61.c6 g5 62.c7 h1B 63.Bxh1]
58...Kf5



59.Be6+! Kxe6 KR-KPP **60.Rh3 g5**

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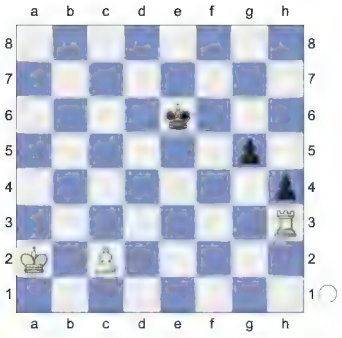
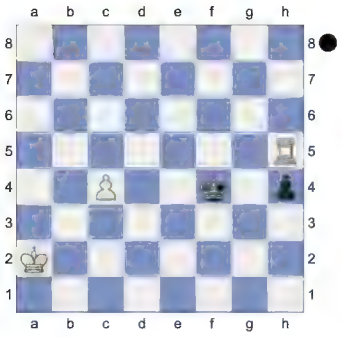


61.c4 Ke5 62.Rh1 Kd4 63.Rg1 5.57/22

[⌓63.Kb3 #16/20 Kc5 64.Rg1 Kd6 65.Rxg5 Ke6 66.Rh5 Kf6 67.c5 Ke6 68.Rxh4]

63...Ke4 64.Rxg5 Kf4 65.Rh5



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55 **B76**

□ **Horobetz** **2699**

■ **Tigerfist** **2447**

Rapid 01.03.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 15min

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

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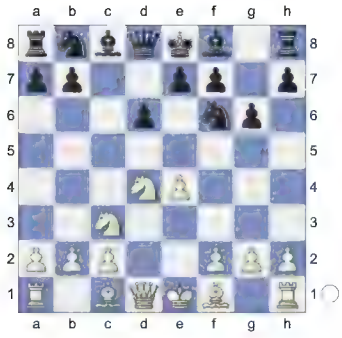
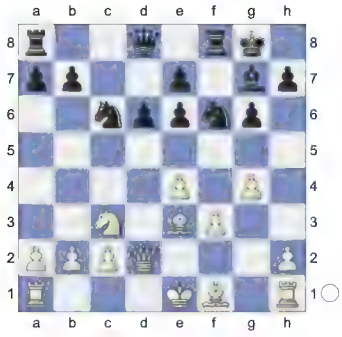


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.g4 Be6 10.Nxe6 fxe6



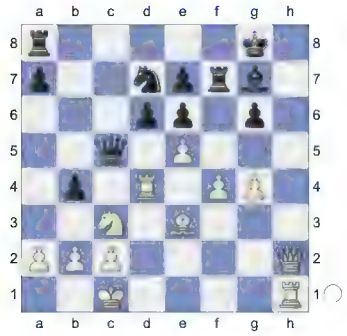
11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.Be2 Qc8 13.h4 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc4 White is slightly better.

15.Bxc4 Qxc4

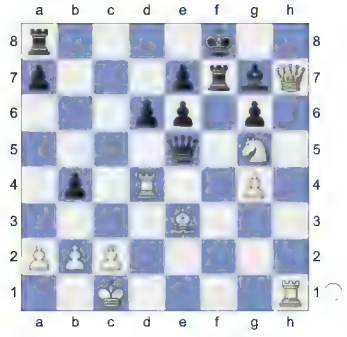
16.h5 -0.19/20

[16.e5!± 0.43/19 Nb6 17.h5 dxe5 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Qh2 Rxf4 20.Bxf4 Qxf4+ 21.Kb1 Qxh2 22.Rxh2 Rf8 23.Ne4 Rf4 24.Ng5 Rxg4 25.Nxe6 Bf6 26.b3 Nc8 27.c4 Nd6 28.c5 Nb5 29.Rd7 Kf7 30.Rxb7 Rg1+ 31.Kc2 Osnos,V (2775)-4.c3 ♘f6 5.e5/ 6...f5 (2614) corr ICCF 2012 FS: The Queen's Gambit [Dublin Evening Mail 15/2/1902; Harding] 1-0 (49)]

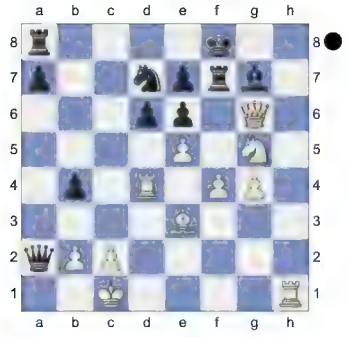
16...b5 0.76/18
[16...g5= -0.19/20 17.fxg5 Bxc3 18.Qxc3 Qxa2]
[16...Bxc3 17.Qxc3 Qxc3 18.bxc3 Nf6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Bd4 Nxe4 21.Rde1 d5 22.g5 Kf7 23.Rh6 Rg8 24.Kb2 b6 25.Reh1 Raf8 26.Be5 Nd2 27.Bd4 Ke8 28.Kc1 Ne4 29.R6h4 Kd7 30.Re1 Rf5 31.Kd1 Nomin Erdene,D (2417)-Vitak,J (2199) Liberec CZE 2020 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (50)]
17.hxg6± hxg6 Threatens to win with ... b4. **18.Qh2** 0.64/19
[18.f5± 1.24/18 aiming for Qh2. b4 19.Qh2!]
18...Rf7N 19.e5↑ White is on the roll.
19...b4 20.Rd4 &Bianco is more active.
20...Qc5? 7.84/23
[20...Qc6± 0.84/19 21.Rxb4 Kf8]



Black cannot hold the game after this.
21.Ne4+- Qa5 22.Ng5? 2.67/19
[22.Qh7+ 8.68/21 Kf8 23.Ng5 Nxe5 24.fxe5 Qxe5



25.Qxg6! Qxe3+ 26.Rd2 Bxb2+ 27.Kxb2]
22...Qxa2? 23.89/21
[22...Nf8 2.67/19 23.exd6 Qxa2 24.Rxb4 Qa1+ 25.Kd2 Qa5]
23.Qh7+ Kf8 24.Qxg6



Trapped Piece, Double Attack.
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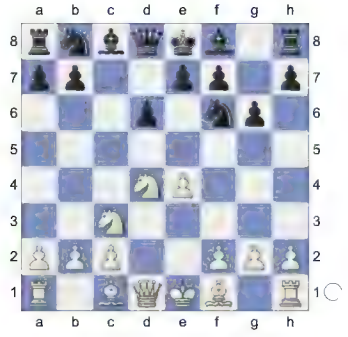
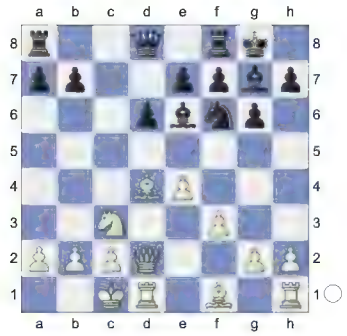
1-0

56 **B76**
□ **Theblitzchamp** **2699**
■ **Marianofreyrex** **2650**
Blitz 31.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
Boto,Z: 'Inf 89/187''Inf 89/187 Boto, Zeljko: 'Boto,Z: 'Inf 89/187''' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6



11.h4 Qa5 12.h5N -0.23/17

[12.a3± 0.41/17 Rab8 13.Qg5 b5 14.e5 h6 15.exf6 hxg5 16.fxg7 Rfc8 17.hxg5 f6 18.gxf6 b4 19.Rh8+ Kf7 20.g8Q+ Rxg8 21.Rh7+ Kf8 22.fxe7+ Ke8 23.Ne4 Kd7 24.Bc5 d5 25.e8Q+ 1-0 (25) Boto,Z (2290)-Buntic,A Bosna i Hercegovina (rapid) 89/187 2003 CI1-130 [Boto,Zeljko]]

[12.Qg5 Qc7 13.h5 Rfc8 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bd3 b5 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 b4 18.Rh6 Rab8 19.Rdh1 b3 20.Qh4 Nh5 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.Bh7+ Kf8 23.Bxg7+ Ke8 24.axb3 Qa5 25.Qa4+ Qxa4 26.bxa4 Rb4 Schliemann Gambit (2540)-Kim,A (2403) 2. FS-Bundesliga (LC-22/1) 2000 CBM 189 Extra [BCM 1891 p480] 1-0 (41) 27.Rxh5 Rc5 28.Bf5 e6 29.dxe6 Rxa4 30.exf7+ Kxf7 31.Bc3 d5 32.Rh7+ Kg8 33.Rh8+ Kf7 34.Rh7+ Kf8 35.Be5 Ra6 36.Rh8+ Kf7 37.Rh7+ Kf8 38.f4 Rcc6 39.Rh8+ Kf7 40.Rh7+ Kf8 41.Rd7 ½-½ (41) Hutois,M (2263)-Harutyunyan,R (1893) Sautron 2015 EXT 2019 [ChessBase II]]

[12.Kb1 Rfc8 13.a3 a6 14.g4 h5 15.g5 Nd7 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.f4 Rxc3 18.Qxc3+ Qxc3 19.bxc3 Bg4 20.Rd4 Nc5 21.Bh3 Bxh3 22.Rxh3 Ne6 23.Rb4 Nxf4 24.Rf3 Ng2 25.Rxb7 Nxh4 26.Rf2 Re8 Nielson,H-Goldstein,C Ayamonte 2007 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (42)]

12...Bxa2= 13.hxg6 hxg6 -0.01/19

[13...fxg6∓ -0.42/18 14.Nxa2 Qxa2]

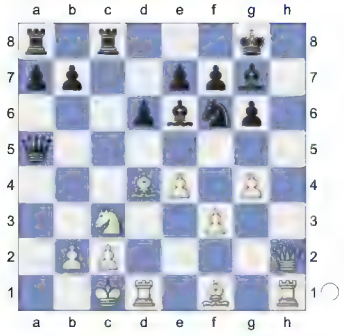
14.g4! The position is equal. **14...Be6**

15.Qh2 -0.74/20

[15.Kb1∓ -0.32/19 Rfc8 16.b3]

15...Rfc8∓

[15...Qa1+? 16.Kd2 Qxd1+ 17.Kxd1+-]

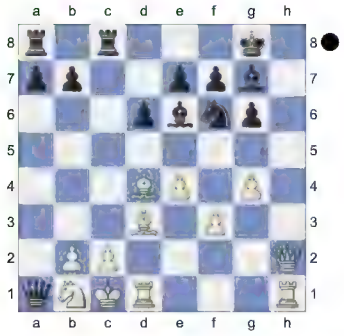


Strongly threatening ...Qa1+. **16.Bd3 Qa1+** 0.01/22

[16...b5∓ -0.69/19]

17.Nb1? -2.08/19

[17.Kd2= 0.01/22 and White has nothing to worry. Qa5 18.Ra1]



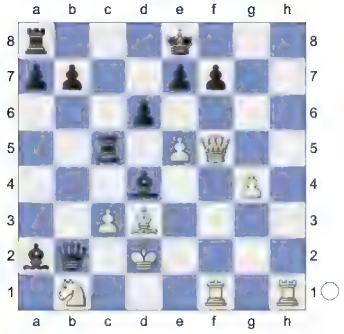
17...Ba2!-+ Threatens to win with ...e5.

18.Kd2

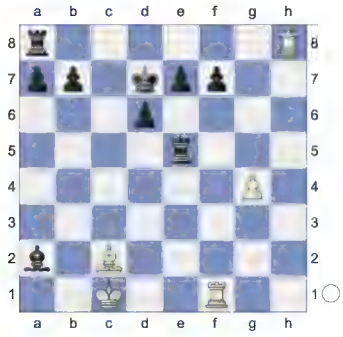
(Diagram)

And now Na3 would win. **18...Nxe4+!**
19.fxe4 Threatening mate with Qh8+!
[19.Ke3 e5]
19...Bxd4 20.Rdf1? -5.49/21
[20.Nc3 -2.72/18 Qxb2 21.Nxa2 Qxa2 22.Qh7+ Kf8 23.Rhf1]
20...Qxb2

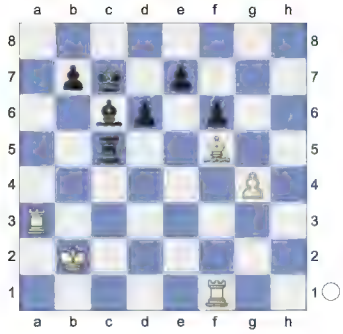
21.Qh7+ Kf8 22.Qxg6 Ke8 23.Qf5 Rc5 Prevents Qb5+. **24.e5 Qb4+ 25.c3 Qb2+**



26.Bc2 Bxc3+ 27.Nxc3 Qxc3+ 28.Kc1 Qxe5?? 1.73/18
[28...Be6-+ -13.34/23 avoids the disaster. (-> ...Qe3+) 29.Rh8+ Kd7]
29.Qxe5+- Remove Defender. The board is on fire. **29...Rxe5**
[29...Rxc2+? 30.Kxc2 dxe5 31.Rh8+ Kd7 32.Rxa8+-]
30.Rh8+ Skewer **30...Kd7**

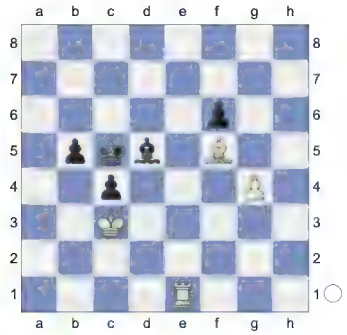


31.Rxa8 Black must now prevent Rf5.
31...Rc5 3.19/20
[⌓31...a6 2.01/19 32.Kd2 Be6]
32.Kb2 Ba4+ is the strong threat.
32...Bd5 33.Rxa7 Bc6 4.47/22
[33...Kc7 2.84/19 might work better. 34.Bd3 f6]
34.Ra3 f6 35.Bf5+ Kc7

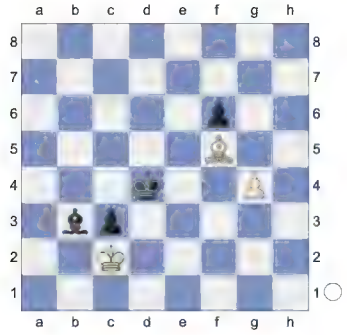


36.Rc3 Hoping for Rxc5. **36...b5?** 5.09/22
[36...Re5 2.70/20 37.Rh3 b5]
37.Rfc1 Kb6 38.Rxc5 dxc5 39.Re1 c4 40.Rxe7 Kc5

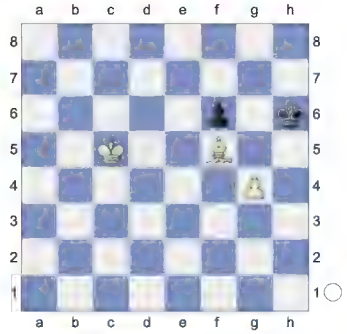
41.Rc7 Kd6 Prevents Bd7. **42.Rf7 Ke5 43.Kc3 Bd5 44.Re7+ Kd6 45.Re1 Kc5**



46.Re8 b4+ 47.Kd2 Kd4 48.Rb8 c3+ 49.Kc2 b3+ 50.Rxb3 Bxb3+



51.Kxb3 c2 White mates. **52.Kxc2** KB-KP **52...Ke3 53.Kc3 Kf4 54.Kc4 Kg5 55.Kc5 Kh6**



56.Kd6 Kg7 57.Ke7 Kh6 58.Kxf6

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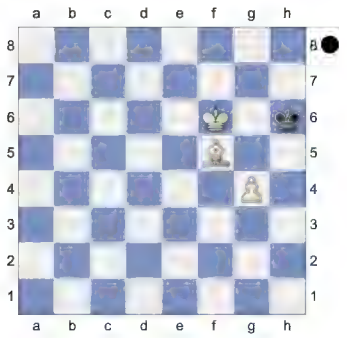


What a bad dream for Black.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.83/ Black=0.63
½-½

57 **B76**
□ **Coolestbean** **2698**
■ **Bocchoiboi** **2703**
Blitz 01.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

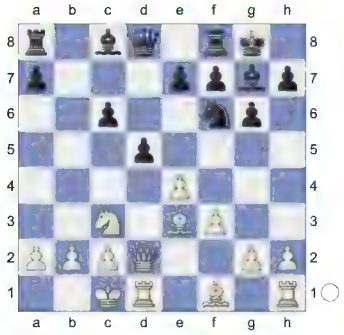
Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.Be3 Bg7 7.Qd2 Nc6 8.0-0-0 0-0 9.f3 d5

[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 11.Kb1 Qc7 12.g4 Rfc8 13.h4 Qa5 14.Qg5 Qxg5 15.hxg5 Nd7 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Rh4 Rh8 18.f4 Nb6 19.a4 a5 20.Bb5 Rad8 21.f5 Bc8 22.Rf1 f6 23.gxf6+ Kxf6 24.Rh2 Schmakel,S

(2555)-Apolonov (2410) Urmia IRI 1996 CBM 070 [Hilbert book p241-2; The Field 20 Dec 1901] ½-½ (58)]

10.Nxc6 bxc6



11.Bh6N

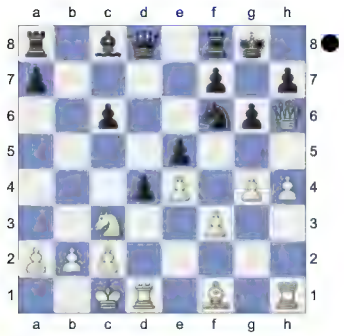
[11.e5 Nd7 12.f4 Nb6 13.h4 h5 14.Be2 Bf5 15.Rhg1 Qc8 16.g4 Bxg4 17.Bxg4 hxg4 18.h5 Nc4 19.Qd3 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Qf5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Ne2 g5 23.Rdf1 gxf4 24.Rxf4 Qxe5 25.Qxe5 Bxe5 Sarveshwaran,V (2150)-Lortkipanidze, N (2359) Chess.com INT 2025 0-1 (70)]

11...Bxh6 12.Qxh6 e5 13.g4 -0.28/18

[White should try 13.Qg5± 0.34/20]

13...d4!= 14.h4 -0.96/20

[14.Na4= -0.25/18]



14...Qe7 -0.01/20

[14...Bxg4!∓ -0.96/20 15.fxg4 Nxg4]

15.Nb1 Be6

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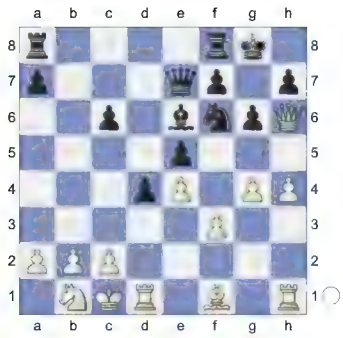


16.a3 -0.63/19

[16.h5= -0.01/19]

16...Rab8 -0.01/20

[16...Ne8!∓ -0.63/19]

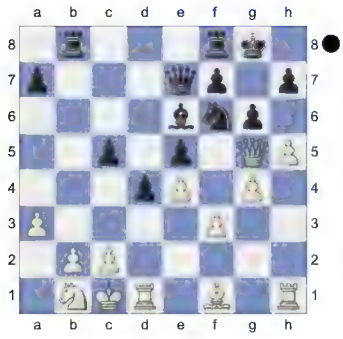
17.h5

[17.Qg5!?]

17...c5 0.09/19

[⌓17...Qb7 -0.24/20 18.b4 Qc7]

18.Qg5!



Ba2 1.13/21

[18...Nd5!= -0.04/18 19.Qxe7 Nxe7]

19.Nd2 0.01/20

[19.hxg6± 1.13/21 fxg6 20.b3 Bxb1 21.Bc4+ *(21.Kxb1 Nd5=)* 21...Kh8 22.Rh6 *(22.Kxb1 Ng8=)*]

19...Qe6

[19...Qb7? 20.b3 Qe7 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Bc4+ Kh8 23.Qxg6+-]

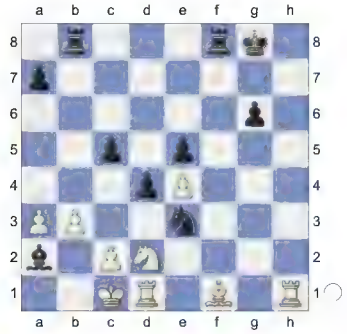
20.f4? -2.90/19

[20.b3= 0.01/21 Bxb3 21.Nxb3 *(21.cxb3 Rxb3 22.Nxb3 Qxb3=)* 21...Rxb3 22.cxb3 Qxb3 23.Rd3 *(23.Qxf6 Qc3+ 24.Kb1 Rb8+; 23.Qxe5? Qxa3+ 24.Kb1 Nd7-+)*]

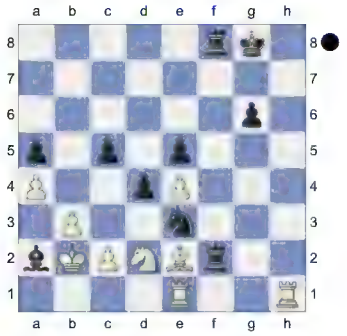
20...Nxg4?? 1.73/19

[20...Qb6-+ -2.90/19 and life is good for Black. 21.b3 Qa5]

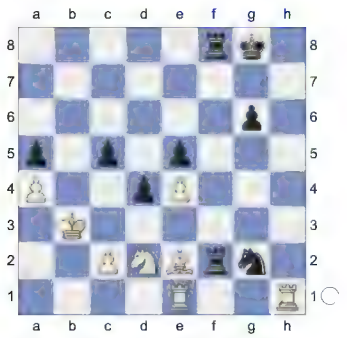
21.f5? 0.01/19
[White should play 21.hxg6+- 1.73/19 Qxg6 22.Qh4]
21...Qb6↑ Black is more active. **22.b3 Ne3?** 3.00/21
[22...Qa5!= 0.01/20 23.Nc4 Qc3 24.hxg6 Qa1+ 25.Kd2 Qc3+ 26.Kc1 Qa1+ 27.Kd2 Qc3+ 28.Kc1]
23.hxg6+- fxg6 24.fxg6 Qxg6 25.Qxg6+ -0.33/5
[25.Qxe5+- 2.99/20 Rfe8 26.Qxc5 Nxd1 27.Qxd4 *(27.Kxd1 Kh8±)*]
25...hxg6∓



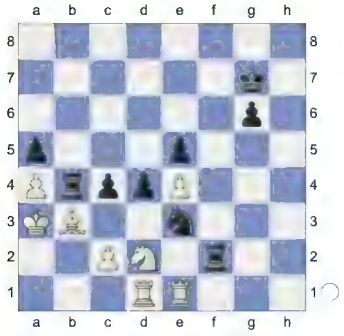
Dancing on a razor blade. **26.Re1 Rf2 27.Be2** -1.00/23 Inhibits c4.
[27.Re2± 0.84/21 and life is bright. Rff8 28.Reh2]
27...a5 -0.01/22 0x0.001dda1766e3dp-1022s more active pieces.
[27...Kg7∓ -1.00/23 ...Ng2 is the strong threat. 28.Bd3 c4 29.Nxc4 Nxc2! 30.Bxc2 Bxb3 31.Bxb3 Rxb3 32.Nxe5 d3 33.Nxd3 Rc3+ 34.Kb1 Rxd3]
28.a4= Rbf8 0.88/21
[28...Kg7= 0.01/20 keeps the balance.]
29.Kb2 -0.58/20
[29.Bd3± 0.88/21]



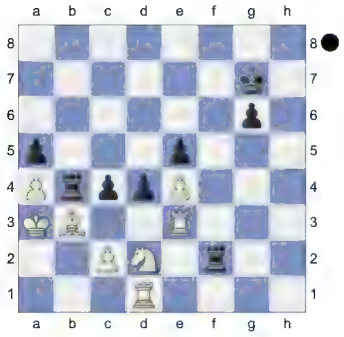
29...Bxb3 -0.15/23
[29...Ng2 30.Nc4=]
[29...Rg2!∓ -0.58/20 is more appropriate. 30.Nc4 *(30.Kxa2 Nxc2 31.Bc4+ Kg7∓)* 30...Nxc2! 31.Kxc2 Rff2 32.Nxa5 Rxe2+ 33.Rxe2 Rxe2+ 34.Kd3 Re3+ 35.Kc4 Rc3+ 36.Kd5 Bxb3+ 37.Nxb3 Rxb3]
30.Kxb3?? -4.30/22
[30.Nxb3= -0.15/23 and White is okay. c4 31.Nc5 *(31.Nxa5 Rb8+ 32.Ka2 Rb4∓)*]
30...Ng2? 1.18/22
[30...Rb8+-+ -4.30/22 31.Ka2 Kg7]



31.Bc4+ 0.01/21
[31.Nc4!± 1.18/22]
31...Kg7 32.Rd1 Rb8+ 33.Ka3 Ne3 And now ...Rxd2! would win. **34.Bb3?** -3.13/23
[34.Bd3= -0.01/22]
34...Rb4-+
[34...Nxd1 35.Rxd1 Rf4 36.Nc4∓]
35.Rhe1 c4!
[Stronger than 35...Nxd1 36.Rxd1 g5 37.Nc4∓]

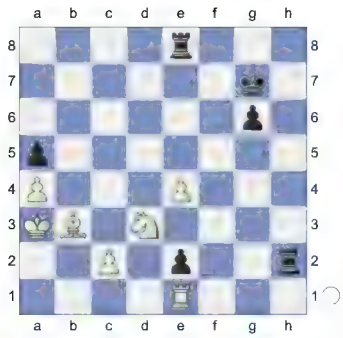


36.Rxe3

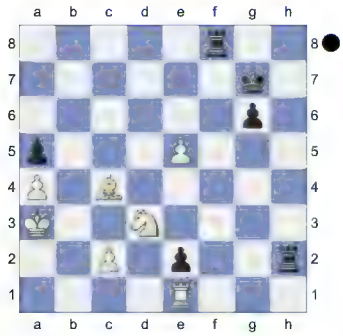


dxe3 0.17/25
[36...Rxd2!-+ -3.46/24 37.Ree1 *(37.Rxd2? loses. dxe3 38.Rd1 cxb3-+)* 37...Rf2]
37.Nxc4= e2 38.Re1 Rb8? 1.97/19
[38...Rh2± 0.46/21]
39.Nxe5+- Re8 2.85/21
[⌓39...g5 1.91/20 40.Kb2 Rh2]
40.Nd3 Rh2

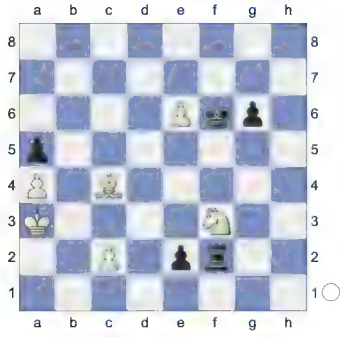
(Diagram)



41.e5 Rf8 White must now prevent ... Rf1. **42.Bc4??** -3.43/18
[42.e6+- 3.38/20]

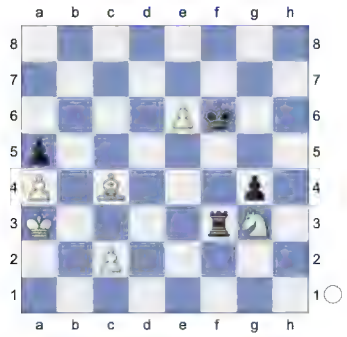


42...Rf1!-+ 43.e6 -5.09/26
[⌓43.Kb3 -3.50/23 Rxe1 44.Nxe1]
43...Rxe1 44.Nxe1 Kf6 45.Nf3 -5.09/26
[⌓45.Kb3 -3.63/22 Rh1 46.Ng2]
45...Rf2



46.Nd4 -#9/18
[46.Ne1-+ -4.30/21]
46...g5?? 1.66/27
[46...e1Q -#9/18 mates 47.Bd3 Qb4+ 48.Ka2 Qxa4+ 49.Kb1 Qxd4 50.e7 Kxe7 51.Be2 Rxe2 52.Ka2 Rxc2+ 53.Kb3 Qc4+ 54.Ka3 Qb4#]

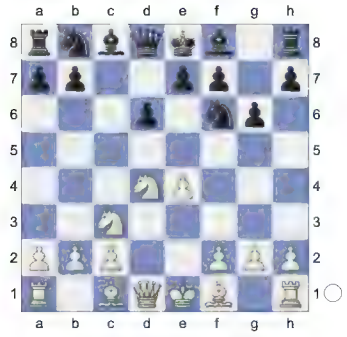
47.Nxe2+- Strongly threatening Nd4.
[Worse is 47.Bxe2 g4=]
47...g4 48.Ng3? -7.59/25
[48.Kb2± 1.42/23]
48...Rf3+



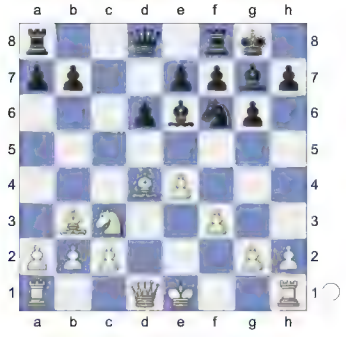
Both players deserved the win here.
Weighted Error Value: White=1.39/ Black=1.11
0-1

58 **B35**
□ **Kbs0280** **2696**
■ **Workmouse1** **2775**
Blitz 12.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



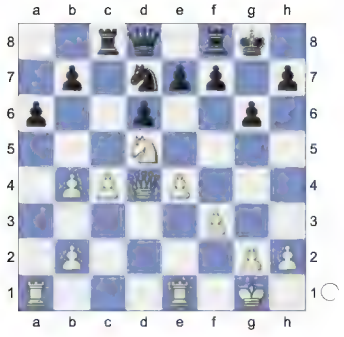
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Bc4 Nc6 9.Bb3 Nxd4
[9...Bd7 10.Qd2 *(10.h4 h5 11.Qe2 Na5 12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.g4* Yugoslav Attack-8 Bc4 0-0 9 Qe2 and irregular ChessPub Guide 2024 Dragons [Chris Ward]*)* 10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 b5 12.a4 bxa4 13.Bxa4 Qc7 14.Bxd7 Qxd7 15.0-0 Rfc8 16.h3 Qc6 17.Ra4 d5 18.e5 Nd7 19.f4 a6 20.Rfa1 e6 21.Kh2 Bf8 22.Qe2 Nc5 23.R4a2 Rab8 24.b3 Komodo (3794)-Stoofvlees li A14 (3746) tcec-chess.com INT 2020 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (107)]
10.Bxd4
[Of course not 10.Qxd4 Ng4! 11.Qd3 Nxe3 12.Qxe3 b5∓]
10...Be6



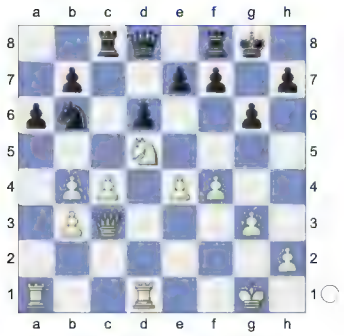
11.0-0 Bxb3N
[11...Nd7 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 Qb6+ 15.Kh1 B 76/02]
12.axb3 a6 The position is equal.
13.Re1 Rc8 14.Na4 Nd7 15.c4 -0.23/19
[15.Bxg7 0.14/17 was preferrable. Kxg7 16.Qd4+ f6 17.Nc3]
15...Qc7 0.11/20
[⌓15...b5 -0.23/19 16.cxb5 Bxd4+ 17.Qxd4 axb5]

(Diagram)

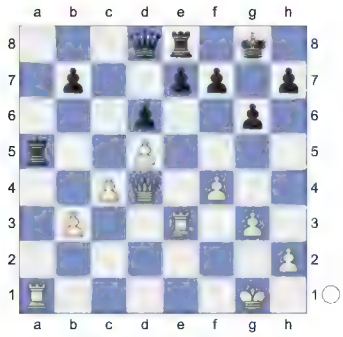
16.Nc3 Nc5 0.58/20
[16...Bxd4+= 0.09/18 17.Qxd4 Qc5 18.Qxc5 Nxc5]
17.Bxg7± Kxg7 18.Nd5 Qd8 19.b4 Nd7 20.Qd4+ Kg8



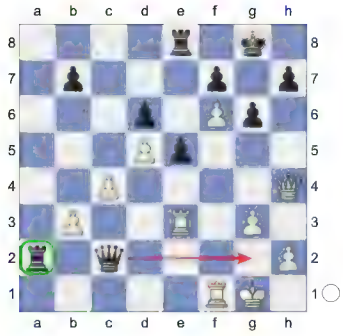
21.b3 Ne5 0.82/20
[21...e6± 0.49/19]
22.Red1 0.50/21
[22.f4± 0.82/20 Nc6 23.Qc3]
22...Nc6 0.98/20
[22...e6± 0.50/21]
23.Qc3 Ne5 24.f4 Nd7 25.g3 0.43/17
[25.Qd4± 0.92/18]
25...Nb6 0.87/19
[25...Nf6± 0.43/17]



26.Qd4 0.40/19
[26.Ne3± 0.87/19]
26...Nxd5 27.exd5 Re8 28.Re1 Ra8 29.Re3 a5 30.bxa5 Rxa5

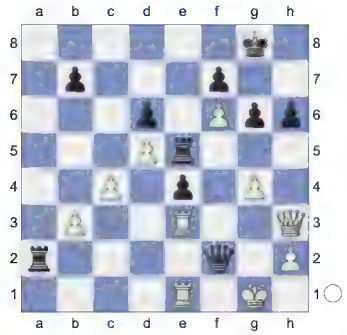


31.Rae1 Ra2 1.03/19
[31...Qd7!= -0.01/20 remains equal.]
32.f5!± Qd7 33.f6 0.01/21
[33.g4!± 1.03/21]
33...e5⇄ Inhibits Qf4. Black puts up resistance
[33...Qh3? 34.R3e2 Rxe2 35.Rxe2+-]
34.Qh4 -0.60/19
[34.dxe6!= 0.03/19 Rxe6 35.Rxe6 fxe6 36.Qg4]
34...Qf5∓ (-> ...Qf2+) **35.Rf1** -2.15/20 Inhibits Qf2+. This move loses the game for White.
[Better is 35.Qf4!∓ -0.60/22]
35...Qc2-+

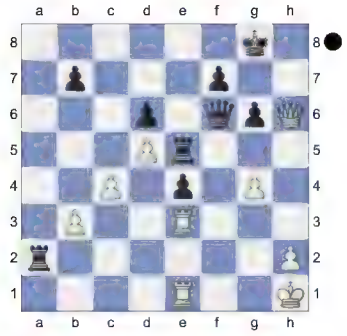


36.Qh3 Inhibits Qg2+. **36...e4** Prevents Ref3. **37.g4** Against h5 **37...h6** **38.Rg3 Qd2** &Nero is more active.
39.Re3 -2.28/21
[39.Kh1∓ -1.38/21 Qg5 40.Re3]

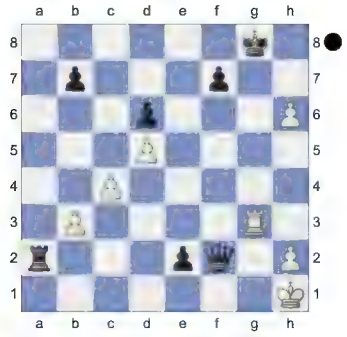
39...Re5 40.Rfe1 -3.70/22
[40.Qg3 -2.27/20 keeps fighting.]
40...Qf2+



41.Kh1 Qxf6 White must now prevent ... h5. **42.Qxh6?** -#11/21
[42.Rf1-+ -1.75/20 Rf2 43.Rxf2 Qxf2 44.Qg3 Qxg3 45.Rxg3]



42...Qf2? -1.26/23
[42...Rh5! -#11/21 mates 43.Qxh5 gxh5 44.gxh5 Qf2 45.Rg1+ Kh7 46.Rh3 e3 47.h6 e2 48.Rg7+ Kh8 49.Rg8+ Kxg8 50.Rg3+



Qxg3!! 51.h7+ Kxh7 52.hxg3 e1Q#]

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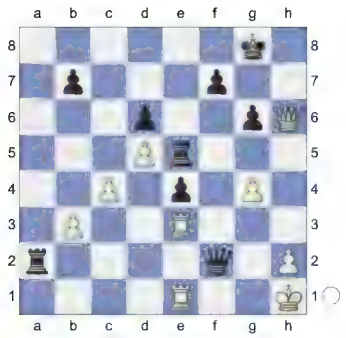

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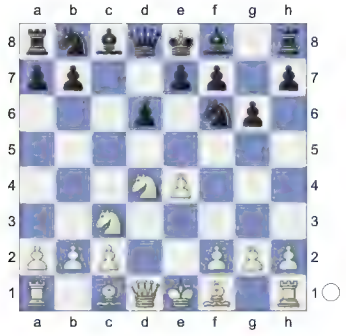
59 **B70**
□ **Helloitsdmitri** **2696**
■ **Petrover** **2682**
Blitz 29.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Bc4 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 Nc6 9.Nb3 a6 10.Nd5 b5

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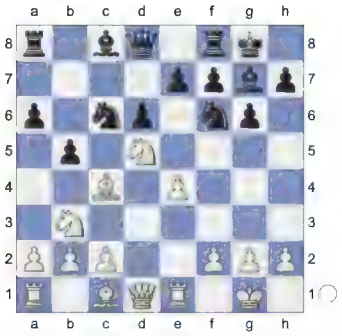
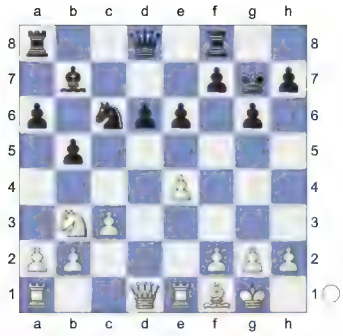
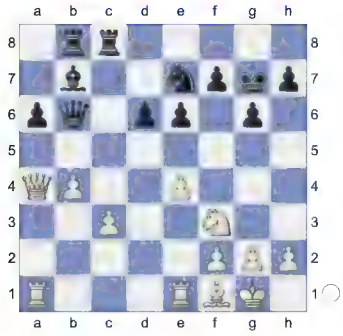


11.Bf1 e6N
[11...Nd7 12.a4 b4 13.Ra2 e6 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.f3 Qc7 16.Bd2 Rb8 17.a5 Rd8 18.Bd3 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Rxd5 21.Be4 Rd8 22.Qc1 Nd4 23.Nxd4 Bxd4+ 24.Be3 f5 25.Bxd4 Rxd4 26.Qe3 Frosch,E (2403)-6. ♘c3 c5 7.d5 a6 (2415) San Diego 2017 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (70) Qd6 27.Bd3 b3 28.Ra3 Bd7 29.Rc1 f4 30.Qe2 Kf7 31.h3 bxc2 32.Rxc2 Rxb2 33.Rac3 Rxc2 34.Qxc2 Ra4 35.Kh2 Rxa5 36.Rc7 Rd5 37.Be4 Rd1 38.Qc3 Qb6 39.Rxd7+ Rxd7 40.Qh8 Qd4 41.Qxh7+ Frosch,E (2403)-6.Nc3 c5 7.d5 a6 (2415) San Diego 2017 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (70) Qg7 42.Qh4 g5 43.Qe1 Qh8 44.Bc2 Qf6 45.Qe4 Rc7 46.Bb3 Kg7 47.Qa8 g4 48.fxg4 f3 49.gxf3 Qb2+ 50.Kg3 Qxb3 51.Qd8 Qc3 52.Qg5+ Kf7 53.Qh5+ Ke7 54.h4 a5 55.Qg5+ Kd7 56.Qb5+ Mischuk,D (2403)-Valdes,L (2415) Budapest HUN 2017 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (70)]
12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.c3 Bb7 The position is equal. **14.Bh6 Bg7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7**

(Diagram)



16.a4 Qb6 1.42/19
[16...bxa4= 0.23/20 remains equal. 17.Nd2 a3]
17.Nd4 0.06/18
[Don't do 17.Qxd6 bxa4 18.Nd2 Rad8±]
[17.axb5± 1.42/19 Ne7 18.bxa6 Bxa6 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.Rxa6 Qxa6 21.Nd2]
17...bxa4= 18.Qxa4 -0.43/19
[18.Nf3= 0.02/17]
18...Rfc8 0.11/19
[Black should play 18...Nxd4∓ -0.43/19 19.cxd4 *(19.Qxd4+ Qxd4 20.cxd4 Rfb8=)* 19...Rfb8]
19.Nf3 Rab8 0.51/19
[19...Qxb2? 20.Reb1 Qxc3 21.Rxb7+-]
[19...a5= 0.01/19]
20.b4± Ne7



21.Re3 -0.20/19 &Bianco is more active.
[21.Qb3± 0.61/19]
21...d5= 22.e5 -0.84/22
[22.Ne5= -0.26/18 Qc7 23.Nd3]
22...Nf5 23.Rd3 Bc6 24.Qa3

[Don't blunder 24.Qxa6? Qxa6 25.Rxa6 Bb5-+]

24...Bb5↑ Black has some pressure.

25.Rd2 -0.73/21

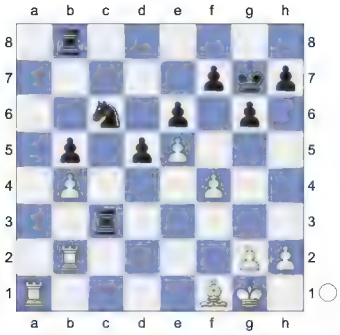
[25.Rdd1∓ -0.42/22]

25...Qc6

26.Nd4 -1.77/24

[White should try 26.Rc2∓ -0.63/19]

26...Qxc3-+ 27.Qxc3 Rxc3 28.Nxb5 axb5 29.Rb2 Nd4 30.f4 Nc6



31.h4 -2.19/20

[⌓31.Rd1 -1.81/19]

31...h5 32.Kf2 d4 33.Be2? -3.22/21

[33.Rd1 -1.64/22]

33...d3 34.Bf3 Nd4 ...Rc2+ is the strong threat. **35.Rd1?** -4.84/22

[35.Bd1 -2.96/23]

35...Rc2+

(Diagram)

36.Rd2 Rbc8 37.Ke3 Rxd2 -2.46/26

[⌓37...Nf5+ -4.63/22 38.Kxd3 R2c4]

38.Rxd2 -3.62/24 Endgame KRB-KRN

[⌓38.Kxd2 -2.46/26 Nxf3+ 39.gxf3]

38...Nf5+! 39.Kxd3 Nxh4 -1.95/24

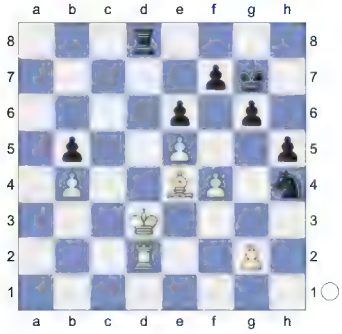
[⌓39...Rc4 -3.65/25 40.Re2 Rxb4]

40.Be4 -2.56/25

[⌓40.Bb7 -1.95/24 Rc7 41.Ba6]

40...Rd8+? -0.62/25

[40...Rc4-+ -2.56/25 41.Rb2 Nf5 42.Bxf5 exf5]



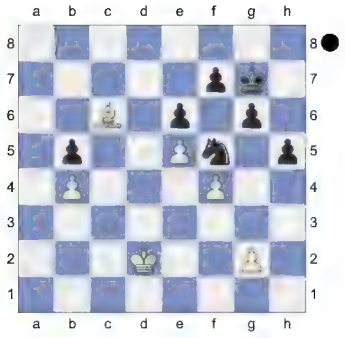
41.Kc3 Rxd2 -0.01/22

[41...Rb8!∓ -0.61/23]

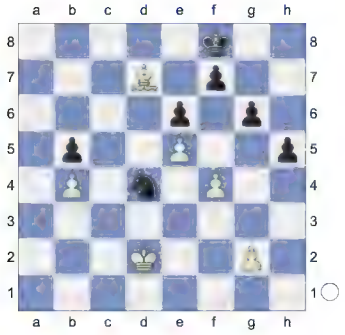
42.Kxd2∓ KB-KN **42...Nf5 43.Bc6** -0.91/23

[43.Kd3= 0.00/26 keeps the balance.]

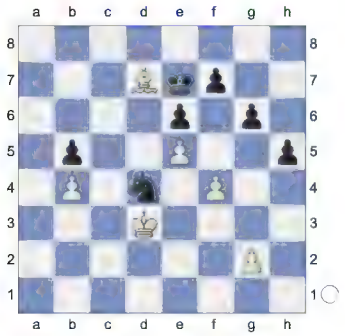
(Diagram)



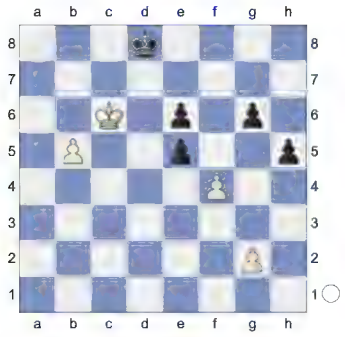
43...Nd4? 1.23/25
[43...Ne7!∓ -0.91/23 44.Bxb5 Nd5]
44.Bd7± Kf8 1.97/25
[44...f6± 1.28/23]



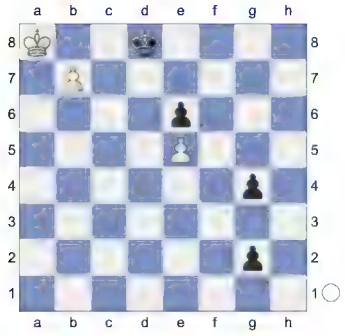
45.Kd3!+- Ke7 2.93/26
[45...Nf5 1.68/27 was called for.]



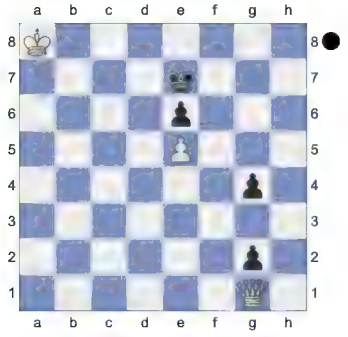
46.Kxd4 Kxd7 KP-KP **47.Kc5 Ke7?** 15.98/23
[47...h4 2.93/23 48.Kxb5 f6]
48.Kxb5 f6 49.Kc6 fxe5 50.b5? 0.01/22
[Only move: 50.fxe5+- 21.55/28 Kc7 would kill now. g5 51.b5]
50...Kd8 20.44/26
[50...e4= 0.01/22 51.b6 e3]



Black cannot hold the game after this.
51.fxe5 Intending Kd6 and mate. K3P-K3P **51...h4 52.Kb7 g5 53.b6** White threatens Ka7 and mate. **53...g4 54.Ka8** White mates. **54...h3 55.b7 hxg2**



56.b8Q+ Kd7 57.Qb1 Ke7 58.Qg1



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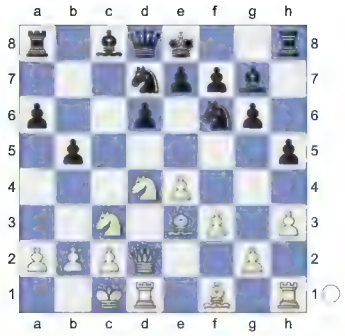
60 **B75**
□ **Cbev378** **2696**
■ **Chesselation94** **2750**
Blitz 13.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

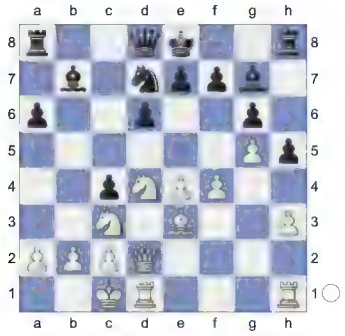
Blitz 3min
B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 a6 8.Qd2 h5 9.h3
[9.Bc4 b5 10.Bb3 Nbd7 11.a4 bxa4 12.Bxa4 Bb7 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Nde2 0-0 15.Bh6 Nc5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Kh1 Qb6 18.b3 Rfd8 19.Rfd1 Qc7 20.Qd4 e5 21.Qe3 d5 22.exd5 Nxd5 23.Nxd5 Rxd5 Ehlvest,J (2660)-Svidler,P (2630) Erevan 1996 CBM 53 [Dautov] 0-1 (48)]
[9.0-0-0 b5 10.Kb1 Nbd7 11.Qf2 Bb7 12.Nb3 Rc8 13.Bd4 e5 14.Be3 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qc7 16.Bd3 0-0 17.Rhf1 d5 18.Bc1 dxe4 19.fxe4 Rc8 20.Ba3 Qxc3 21.Qd2 Qc7 22.Rfe1 Nb6 23.Qa5 Nfd7 Kulig,P (2033)-Horak,M (2357) Prague 2025 0-1]
9...Nbd7 10.0-0-0 0.16/17
[10.Be2± 0.49/16 should be considered.]
10...b5=

(Diagram)



The position is equal. **11.Be2 Bb7N**
[11...h4 12.Nc6 Qc7 13.Nb4 Bb7 14.Nbd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Rc8 17.Kb1 Nb6 18.c3 Rh5 19.Bg5 b4 20.c4 Na4 21.f4 Rxg5 22.fxg5 Nxb2 23.Rdf1 Be5 24.Qe3 Na4 25.Qf3 Nc3+ 26.Kc2 Shkapenko,P (2473)-Brown,F (2547) cor 2023 Chess Today CT-827 [John Watson] 0-1 (43) Qa5 27.Qxf7+ Kd8 28.Bg4 Qxa2+ 29.Kc1 Rxc4 30.Qf8+ Kc7 31.Qxe7+ Kb6 32.Qd8+ Kc5 33.Qc7+ Kd4 34.Qb6+ Kxd5 35.Qb7+ Kd4 36.Qb6+ Rc5 37.Qxb4+ Qc4 38.Qb2 Kd5 39.Qb7+ Kd4 40.Qb2 Qd3 41.Rd1 Nigmatov,O (2473)-Zakhartsov,V (2547) Chess.com INT 2023 0-1 (43)]
12.g4 Ne5 0.54/17
[Better is 12...Nb6= 0.04/17]
13.g5± Nfd7 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4



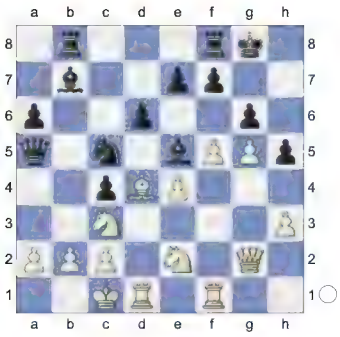
16.Rhf1 Nc5 17.Qg2 Qa5 18.f5! aiming for fxg6. **18...Be5** 0.79/18
[18...0-0!= 0.01/18]
19.Nde2 -0.01/19

[White should play 19.fxg6± 0.79/18 fxg6 20.Qf3]

19...0-0= 20.Bd4

[20.a3 with more complications. Rab8 21.Bd4 Bc6 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.Rxf8+ Rxf8 24.Bxe5 dxe5 25.Nd5]

20...Rab8



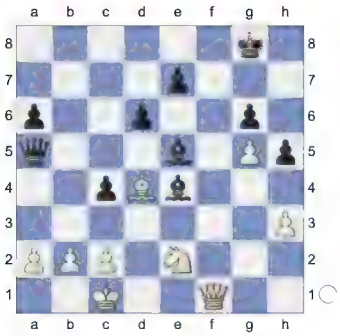
21.fxg6

[21.Bxe5 feels hotter. dxe5 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.Rxf8+ Rxf8 24.Kb1]

21...fxg6 22.Rxf8+ Rxf8 23.Rf1? -2.07/23 White does not recover from this.

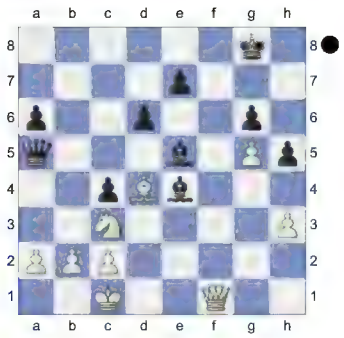
[23.Bxe5= -0.01/21 and White stays safe. dxe5 24.Kb1]

23...Rxf1+-+ 24.Qxf1 Nxe4 25.Nxe4 Bxe4

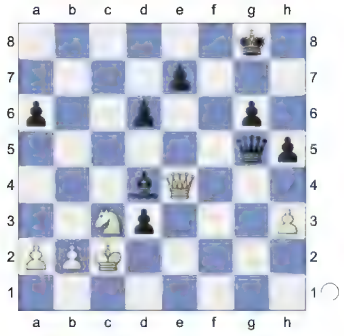


A strong pair of Bishops. **26.Nc3**

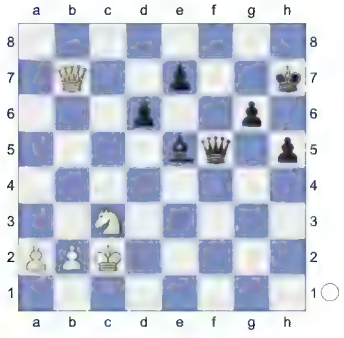
(Diagram)



Bd3 27.cxd3 Black must now prevent Bxe5. **27...Bxd4** Discovered Attack **28.Qf4 Qc5 29.Qe4 Qxg5+ 30.Kc2 cxd3+**

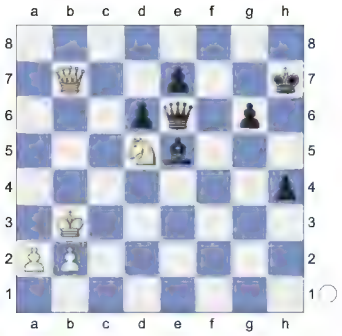


31.Kxd3 Be5 32.Qa8+ Kh7 33.Qxa6 Qg3+ 34.Kc2 Qxh3 35.Qb7 Inhibits Qg2+. **35...Qf5+**

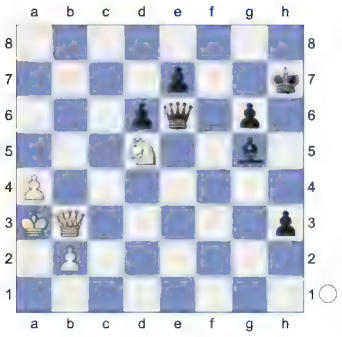


36.Kb3 Qe6+ 37.Nd5 h4

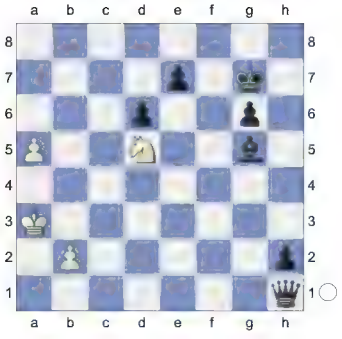
(Diagram)



Strongly threatening ...h3. **38.a4 h3 39.Ka3 Bf6** -4.43/21
[⌓39...h2 -12.58/20 40.Kb4 Bxb2]
40.Qb3 -6.84/23
[⌓40.Nxf6+ -4.43/21 Qxf6 41.Qh1]
40...Bg5

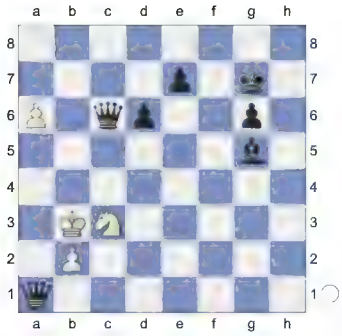


41.Qf3 h2 42.a5 Kg7 And now ...Qe1 would win. **43.Qc3+ Qe5 44.Qf3 Qe1 45.Qh1 Qxh1**



46.Nc3 Qa1+ 47.Kb3 h1Q (-> ...Qb7+) **48.a6 Qc6** -25.83/5
[⌓48...Qxa6 -#4/10 49.Kb4 Qhb7+ 50.Nb5 Qbxb5+ 51.Kc3 Qc4#]

(Diagram)



Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/ Black=0.29 (precise)
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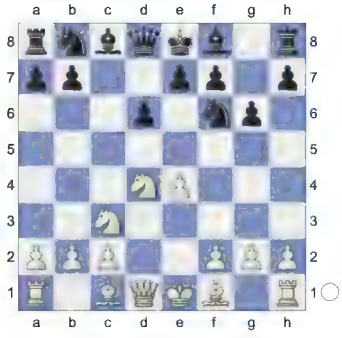
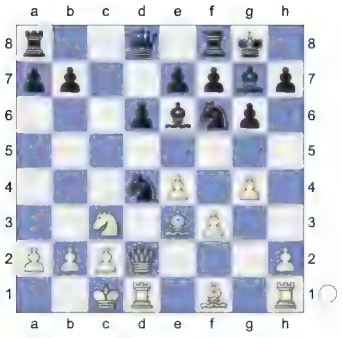
61 **B76**
□ **Sevian,Samuel** **2694**
■ **Mikaelyan,A** **2492**
Titled 5. Apr Late (8) 15.04.2025
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
Ruslan Scherbakov (www.chesstoday.net): 'Here is an exciting battle between the leaders of the Groningen Open. 14 years old Ilya Nyzhnyk from Ukraine is one of the rising chess stars while Dimitri Reinderman is famous for his creative style.' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**

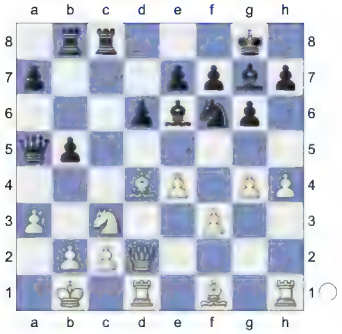


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.g4 Be6 10.0-0-0 Nxd4

(Diagram)



11.Bxd4 Qa5 12.Kb1 Rfc8 13.a3 Rab8 14.h4 b5 0.84/19
[14...a6= 0.21/20]



15.Nd5!± Qxd2

16.Rxd2 Nxd5 0.54/22
[16...Bxd5= 0.01/22 17.exd5 Rc7 *(17...a5 18.c3 Nd7 19.f4 Nc5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.h5 b4 22.axb4 axb4 23.c4 Ra8 24.Rdh2 g5 25.fxg5 b3 26.Rh3 Rc7 27.Kc1 Rb7 28.g6 Ne4 29.Bd3 Ra1+ 30.Bb1 Rb4 31.h6+ Kxg6 32.Re1* Mammadov,A (2404)-Guseinov,G (2616) Nakhchivan AZE 2012 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (39) *)*]

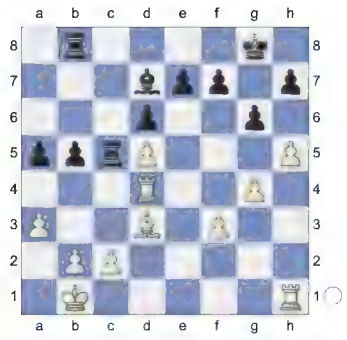
17.exd5±
[17.Bxg7 Ne3 18.Bd4 Nxf1 19.Rxf1 a5 20.e5 ½-½ (20) Levano Loayza,A (2670)-Buchicchio,G (2765) Moscow 1997 CBM 163 Extra [CPQC April 1875]]

17...Bxd4N
[17...Bxd5 18.Bxg7 Bxf3 19.Rh3 Bxg4 20.Rg3 Kxg7 21.Rxg4 Rc5 22.Re4 Rb7 23.b4 Rf5 24.Bg2 *(24.Bd3 d5 25.Rd4 Re5 26.Kb2 f5 27.a4 bxa4 28.Ka3 Kf6 29.b5 h6 30.Rxa4 Re3 31.Kb4 e6 32.Kc5 g5 33.Kc6 Rg7 34.hxg5+ hxg5 35.Kd6 g4 36.Rh2 g3 37.Rh6+ Kg5 38.Rxe6 Rxe6+* Nyzhnyk,I (2494)-Reinderman,D (2575) Groningen NED 2009 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (55) *)* 24...d5 25.Red4 e6 26.c4 bxc4 27.Rxc4 Rb8 28.Rc7 a5 29.Rb2 axb4 30.axb4 d4 31.Rd7 Rf4 32.b5 Kislov,M (2400)-Struk,J (2175) Krynica 1995 EXT 2004 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (42) Rxh4 33.b6 e5 34.b7 Rf4 35.Rc2 e4 36.Rc8 Rxb7+ 37.Rxb7 Kh6 38.Bxe4 Rxe4 39.Rxf7 g5 40.Rc6+ Kh5 41.Rxh7+ Kg4 42.Rc5 1-0 (42) Libeau,R (2400)-Weiersmueller,O (2175) Tilburg 1995 Schiller's List 1.d4 [Dragan Solak]]

18.Rxd4 Bd7 19.h5 Rc5 0.79/22
[19...a5± 0.41/20 is superior.]

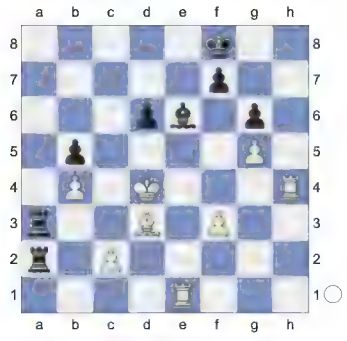
20.Bd3↑ Keeping Black busy. **20...a5** 1.09/23
[Black should play 20...Kg7 0.78/20]

(Diagram)

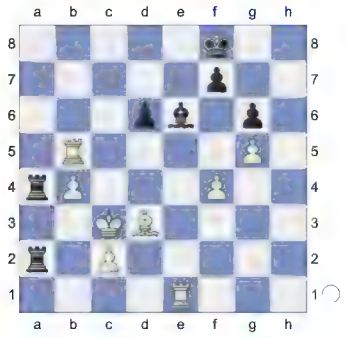


21.b4 axb4 22.axb4 Rc7 23.Re1 Kf8 24.Kb2 Ra8 1.33/23
[⌓24...Re8 0.86/20]
25.hxg6 hxg6

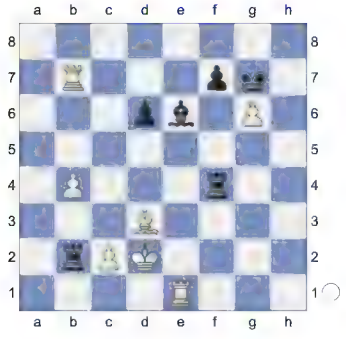
26.g5 Rca7 27.Rh4 &Bianco is more active. **27...Ra2+ 28.Kc3 R8a3+** 1.91/24
[28...Kg7± 0.93/23 was called for.]
29.Kd4+- e5+ 30.dxe6! Bxe6



31.Rh8+ Ke7
[31...Kg7 leads to mate. 32.Reh1]
32.Rb8 1.13/22
[32.Bxb5+- 1.71/23 Ra8 33.Reh1 *(33.Rxa8 Rxa8 34.Bc6 Ra2±)*]
32...Rb2? 2.68/23
[32...Kd7± 1.13/22 is a better defense.]
33.Rxb5 1.45/21
[White should try 33.Bxb5+- 2.68/23 Rxb4+ 34.c4 Rxb5 35.cxb5]
33...Ra4 1.87/22
[33...Ra7± 1.45/21 was worth a try. 34.Rh1 Kd7]
34.Kc3 Rba2 35.f4 1.48/20
[35.Rb7++- 1.96/21 Kd8 36.b5]
35...Kf8? 4.43/20
[35...Kd7± 1.48/20 36.Be4 R4a3+ 37.Kd4 Rh3]



A mistake that costs the game. **36.Bxg6! R4a3+ 37.Kd2 Rf3 38.Bd3** f5 is the strong threat. **38...Rxf4 39.g6** Threatens to win with Rg1. **39...Kg7 40.Rb7 Rb2?** 7.52/21
[40...Bd5 3.67/21]



41.Rxe6

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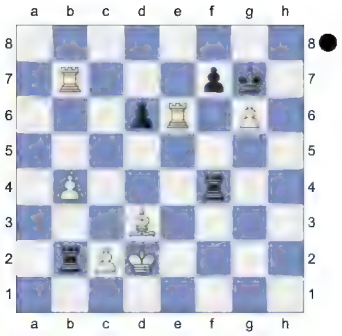

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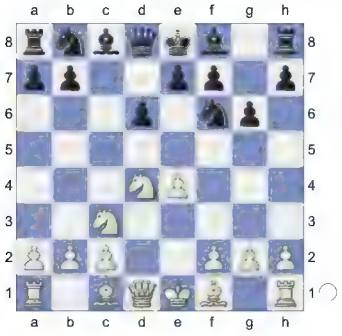
62 **B76**
□ **Corre Por Tu Vida** **2693**
■ **Loin Sn** **2870**
Blitz 14.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

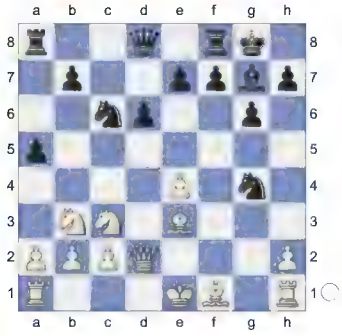
Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
Golubenko,V: 'Inf 60/232' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



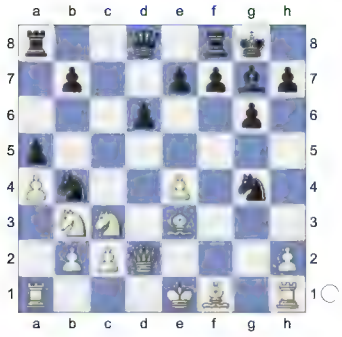
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.g4 Bxg4 10.fxg4 Nxg4

(Diagram)

11.Nb3 a5



12.a4! Nb4 0.97/20
[12...d5± 0.49/19 feels stronger.]

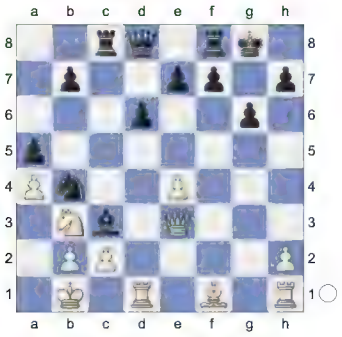


13.0-0-0!± Nxe3
[13...e6 14.Kb1 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Rc8 16.Nd4 Qb6 17.Bb5 Rc7 18.Rhe1 Rfc8 19.Nb3 Qxe3 20.Rxe3 Be5 21.Re2 Ra8 22.Na2 Nc6 23.Nac1 Kf8 24.c3 Ke7 25.Nd4 B5 Bd6-Rey, G ChessPub Guide 2009 CBM 139 Extra [Nickel]]
14.Qxe3 White is better. **14...Rc8** Hoping for ...Bxc3. **15.Kb1**
[15.Nd4 Qb6 16.Kb1 Rc5 17.Nb3 Nxc2 18.Kxc2 Rxc3+ 19.Qxc3 Bxc3

20.bxc3 Qf2+ 21.Rd2 Qf3 22.Bg2 Qe3 23.Rhd1 Rc8 24.Rd3 Qf2+ 25.R1d2 Qg1 26.h3 b6 27.Kb2 Rc4 28.Rd4 Rxd4 29.Nxd4 Qe3 Polgar,S (2425)-Komljenovic,D (2490) San Sebastian 1991 [ChessCalisthenics] 0-1 (64)]

15...Bxc3N 1.60/18

[⌓15...Qc7 1.26/17 16.Nd4 *(16.Rd2 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Qxc3 18.Qxc3 Rxc3 19.Kb2 Rfc8 20.Bd3 b6 21.Rc1 Nxd3+ 22.cxd3 Rxb3+* 0-1 (22) Daillet,E (2281)-Leuly,M (2130) Montigny le Bretonneux 1999 CBM 73 ext [Bangiev,Alexander]*)* 16...Qc5 17.Bh3 e5 18.Nf5 gxf5 19.Qg5 h6 20.Qxf5 Rc6 21.Rhg1 d5 22.exd5 Rg6 23.Rxg6 fxg6 24.Qxg6 Rf6 25.Be6+ Kh8 26.Qe8+ Rf8 27.Qb5 1-0 (27) Uvarov-Kangur,A (2235) Eesti 60/232 1994 CI1-130 [Golubenko, Valen]]



16.bxc3 Qc7 17.Kb2 Nc6 18.h4 Ne5 1.96/19

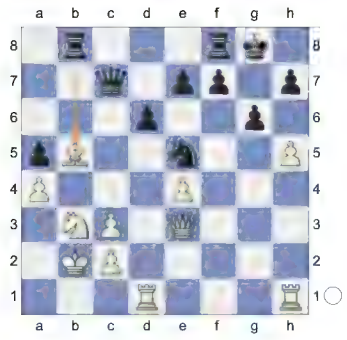
[18...h5± 1.52/18 was worth a try. 19.Rd5 Ne5 20.Rxa5 *(20.Nxa5 Ra8±)* 20...e6]

19.h5+- b5? 3.32/20

[19...h6 1.75/18 20.hxg6 fxg6]

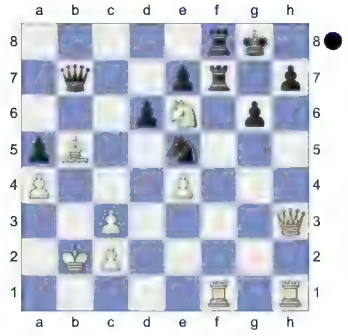
20.Bxb5 Rb8

(Diagram)



21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Qh3 Rf7 23.Rdf1 Rbf8 24.Nd4 Threatens to win with Ne6.

24...Qb7 25.Ne6



Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening.

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63 **B72**

□ **Kbs0280** **2692**

■ **Mischuk,Dmitry** **2734**

Blitz 15.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

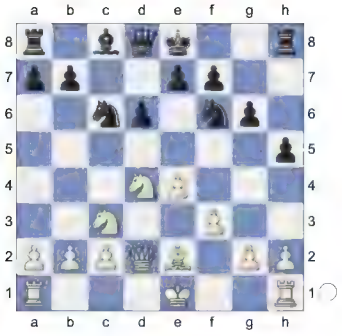
6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Inhibits Ng4. **7...h5 8.Be2 Bh6N** White is slightly better.

[8...e5

A) 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Bc4 *(10.Qd2 Be6 11.0-0-0 Be7 12.Bg5 0-0 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.Qxd6 Qa5 15.Qxc6 Rab8 16.Rd5 Bxd5 17.Nxd5 Qxa2 18.Qxf6 Qa1+ 19.Kd2 Qxh1 20.Qxe5 Rfd8* 6. – Dragón Dicharachero c-Dragón Dicharachero: 7.f3 *)* 10...Be7 11.Qd2 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.0-0 d5 14.Na4 h4 4) Dragon's Wing: The Tame 8.-The Tame 8.Be2: 9.Nxc6 #1;

B) 9.Nb3 Be6 10.0-0 h4 11.h3 Nh5 12.Qd2 Be7 13.Nd5 Ng3 14.Rfe1 Bxd5 15.exd5 Nb8 16.Na5 Qc7 17.Qb4 Nxe2+ 18.Rxe2 b6 19.Nc4 0-0 6. – Dragón Dicharachero c-Dragón Dicharachero: 7.f3]

9.Bxh6 Rxh6 10.Qd2 Rh8



11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.0-0 -0.01/19

[12.Bc4± 0.47/16]

12...Qa5 0.34/16

[12...Qb6+= -0.01/19 deserves consideration. 13.Kh1 Qxb2]

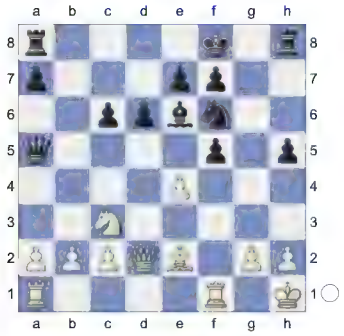
13.Kh1

[13.f4 with more complications. h4 14.h3 Nh5 15.Rf2]

13...Kf8 14.f4 Be6 0.63/19

[14...h4= 0.27/17]

15.f5 gxf5



16.exf5 Bd7

[16...Bxf5? 17.Qg5+-]

17.Rae1 0.23/19

[17.a3± 0.68/18]

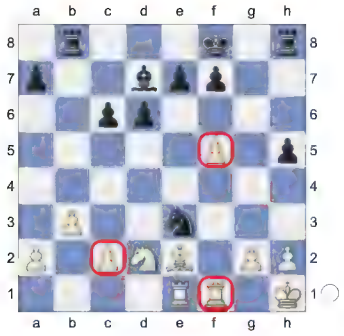
17...Rb8= 18.b3 Nd5? 2.00/20

[18...h4= 0.28/19]

19.Ne4? -0.69/21

[19.b4+- 2.00/20 Qc7 20.Nxd5 cxd5 21.Bf3 *(21.Qxd5 Rxb4 22.Qd2 Re4±)*]

19...Qxd2∓ 20.Nxd2 Ne3



21.Rf4 Nxc2

[Reject 21...Bxf5?! 22.c3=]

22.Rc1

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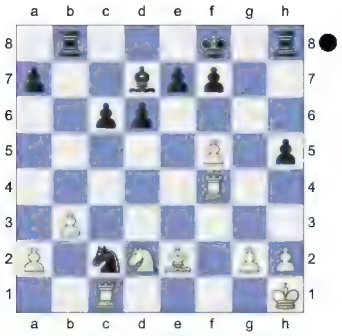
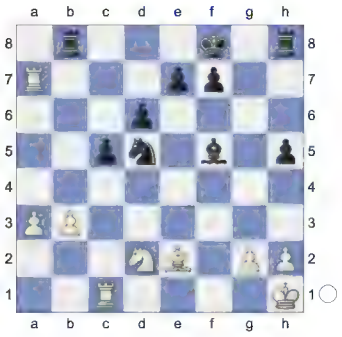
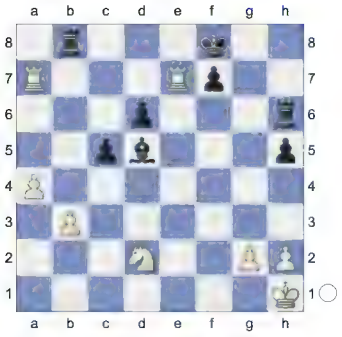


Nb4 -0.47/17
[Black should play 22...Rb4!∓ -1.01/19 23.Nc4 Na3!]
23.a3 Nd5 24.Ra4 Bxf5 -0.57/20
[24...Rb7∓ -0.92/20]
25.Rxa7 c5

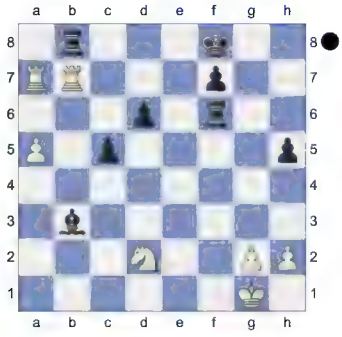


26.Bf3 Be6 27.Re1 Nf6 28.a4 Nd5
29.Bxd5 -0.57/20
[29.a5= 0.01/18]
29...Bxd5 30.Rexe7 Rh6 -0.74/20
[⌓30...Rg8 -1.20/24 31.Re2 Re8 32.Rxe8+ Kxe8]

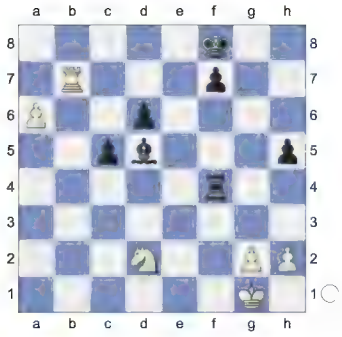


31.Kg1∓ Rf6 0.01/20
[Black should try 31...Rg6∓ -0.81/19 32.g3 Rb4]

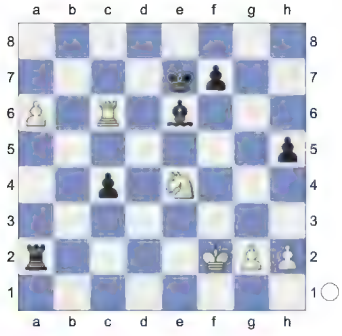
32.a5 -0.33/20
[32.Re3= 0.01/20 was preferrable.]
32...Bxb3 Strongly threatening ...Bd5.
33.Reb7 -0.90/22
[33.Rab7!∓ -0.34/20 Rxb7 34.Rxb7]



33...Rxb7 -0.47/20
[33...Re8!∓ -0.90/22 (-> ...Re1+) 34.Nf3 Bd5]
34.Rxb7 Endgame KRB-KRN **34...Bd5**
35.a6 Rf4
[35...Bxb7? 36.axb7 Kg7 37.b8Q+-]

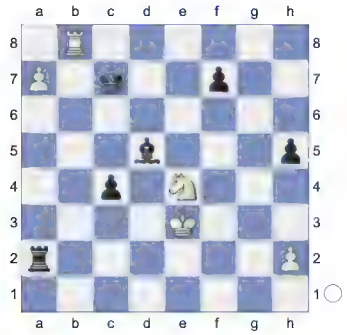


36.Rd7 Ra4 37.Rxd6 Be6 38.Kf2 Ke7
39.Rc6 c4 40.Ne4 Ra2+

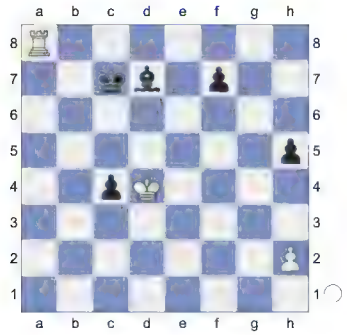


41.Ke3 Rxg2 42.Rc7+ Kd8 43.Rb7

Ra2 44.a7 Bd5 45.Rb8+ -0.38/22
[45.Nc3= -0.05/26 Bxb7 46.Nxa2]
45...Kc7∓



46.Nc3 Ra3 -0.02/21
[46...Rxa7∓ -0.38/22 47.Rh8 Kc6]
47.Kd4= Bc6 2.13/21
[47...Rxa7= 0.19/24 and Black stays safe. 48.Rf8 Bc6]
48.Nb5++- Bxb5 49.a8Q Rxa8 50.Rxa8 KR-KB **50...Bd7** 2.22/24
[⌓50...c3 1.77/25]



51.Kxc4 1.31/28
[51.Rh8+- 2.22/24]
51...Kd6± 52.Kd4 Bg4 53.Ra6+ Ke7 54.Ke5 h4 2.37/31
[54...Be6± 1.38/31 55.Ra7+ Bd7]
55.Ra7++- Bd7

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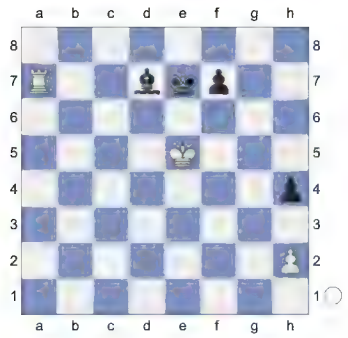
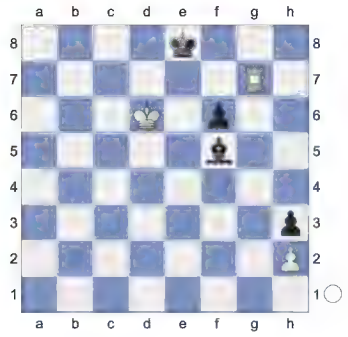
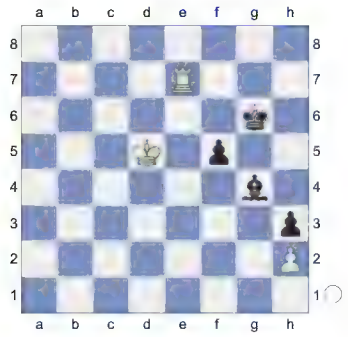


56.Kf4 1.58/30
[Better is 56.Rb7+- 3.08/31]
56...h3 2.90/32
[56...Ke8± 1.58/30 57.Ke4 Be6]
57.Ke5 f6+ 58.Kd5 Ke8 59.Kd6 Bg4 60.Rg7 Bf5



61.Rg8+ Kf7 62.Rg3 Bc8 63.Re3 Kg6 64.Re7 Bg4 65.Kd5 f5 2.31/30
[65...Bf3+± 1.49/25 66.Kd6 Kg5]



66.Ke5 Kh6 3.49/33
[⌓66...Bf3 2.22/33 67.Re6+ Kg5]
67.Rf7 Kg5 68.Rf8 Kg6

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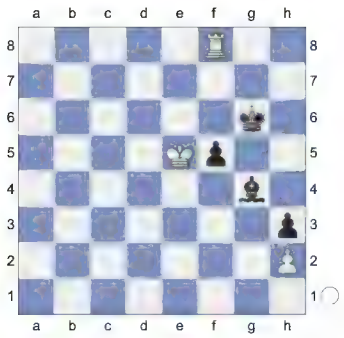

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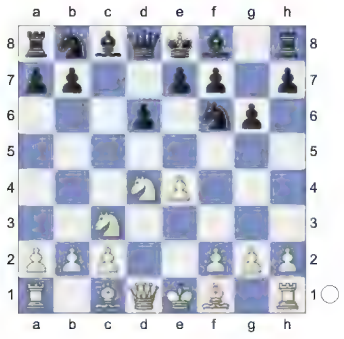
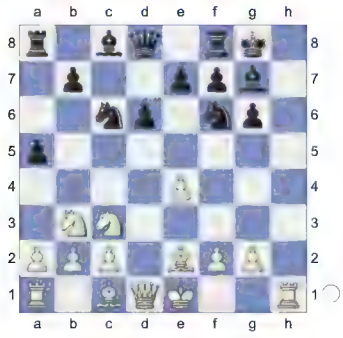
64 **B70**
□ **Somemightsay** **2692**
■ **Workmouse1** **2792**
Blitz 17.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

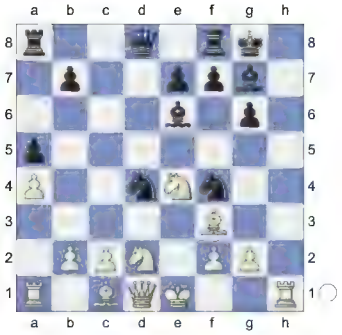


6.Be2 Bg7 7.h4 0-0
[7...Nc6 8.Be3 *(8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.h5 0-0 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Qd2 Rb8 12.Bh6 Qa5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Rb1 g5 15.b4 Qe5 16.g3 g4 17.f4 gxf3 18.Bxf3 Kh8 19.Rg1 Bg4 20.Kf2 Bxf3 21.Kxf3 Qxh5+ 22.Kf2 Qh2+* Miller,R-Ward,C London 2006 [Chris Ward] 0-1 *)* 8...h5 9.f3 0-0 10.Qd2 d5 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.e5 Ne8 13.g4 Bxe5 14.gxh5 Bf5 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.0-0-0 Ng7 17.h5 Qa5 18.hxg6 Ne6 19.f4 Bg7 20.Bd3 Bxd3 21.cxd3 Rf5 22.Rh7 3.♘d2 ♘c6 4. c3_36471 (2510)-West,J (2585) corr 1991 Morelia/Linares [BCM 1891 p480] 0-1 (32)]
8.h5 Nc6N
[8...Nbd7 9.hxg6 hxg6 10.Bh6 Bxh6 11.Rxh6 Kg7 12.Qd2 Rh8 13.Nf5+ Kg8 14.Rxh8+ Kxh8 15.Qh6+ 1-0 (15) 12. ♗g4 fg4 13. ♗e3_18533-Pitters,P Mesa 1993 DVD_Tarrasch [John Watson]]
9.Nb3 White is slightly better. **9...a5**
10.hxg6 0.04/17
[10.a4⩲ 0.35/17]
10...hxg6=

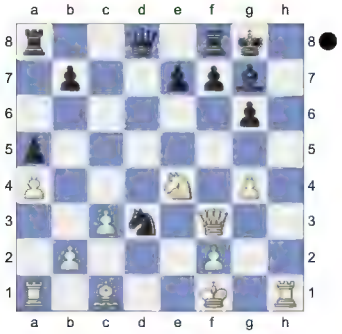


11.a4 Be6 12.Nd2 -0.47/18
[12.Bg5= -0.01/17]
12...d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nce4 -1.05/18
[14.Nxd5∓ -0.67/17 deserves consideration. Qxd5 15.Nf3]
14...Nf4∓ 15.Bf3 -1.41/17
[⌓15.Nf3 -0.89/18 Nxe2 16.Qxe2]
15...Nd4 -0.99/16
[⌓15...Qc7 -1.41/17 Hoping for ... Nb4. 16.0-0 Ne5]

(Diagram)



16.c3 -1.50/20
[White should try 16.0-0 -0.99/16]
16...Nd3+ -1.10/5
[⌓16...Nxf3+ -1.50/20 17.Qxf3 Nd3+ 18.Kf1 Qd5]
17.Kf1 Nxf3 18.Qxf3 -1.61/17
[18.Nxf3∓ -1.19/20 Bc4 19.Kg1]
18...Bf5 -1.03/18 A strong pair of Bishops.
[18...Qd5-+ -1.61/17 19.Qe2 Rfd8]
19.g4 -1.55/19
[⌓19.Kg1 -1.03/18]
19...Bxe4 -0.50/21
[19...Be6∓ -1.55/19 ...Qd7 is the strong threat. 20.Qg3 *(20.Qh3 f6∓)* 20...Ne5]
20.Nxe4∓



aiming for Qh3. **20...Ne5**

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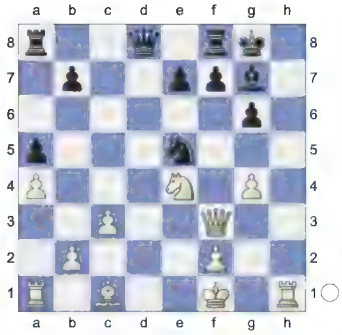
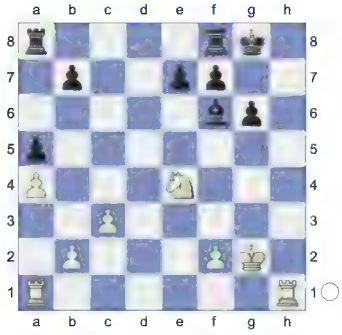
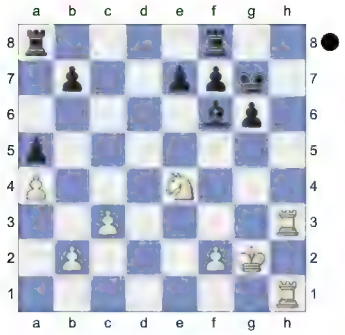


21.Qh3 Qd1+ 22.Kg2 Qxg4+ 23.Qxg4 Nxg4 24.Bg5 -0.95/18
[24.Ra3∓ -0.48/20]
24...Nf6 -0.53/18
[24...f6∓ -0.95/18 25.Bf4 e5]
25.Bxf6 Bxf6

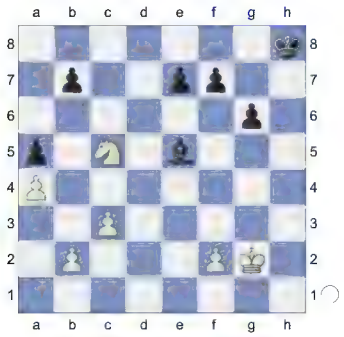


26.Rh3 -0.85/21
[26.Ra3∓ -0.51/21]
26...Kg7 -0.39/22
[Black should play 26...Be5∓ -0.85/21]
27.Rah1

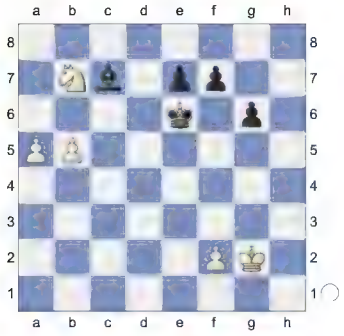


White threatens Rh7+ and mate.
27...Rh8 1.68/23 Prevents Rh7+. This costs Black the game.
[27...Rfe8= -0.01/20 and Black stays safe.]

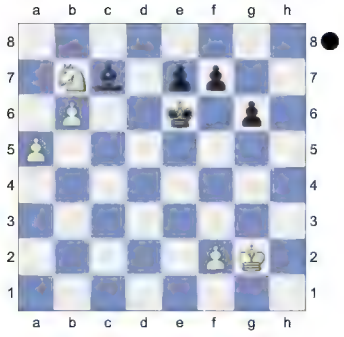
28.Rxh8+- Rxh8 29.Rxh8 Kxh8
Endgame KB-KN **30.Nc5 Be5?** 7.71/24
[30...b6 1.81/24 31.Nd7 Kg7 32.Nxb6 Kf8]



31.Nxb7 White is clearly winning.
31...Bc7 32.b4 axb4 33.cxb4 Kg7 34.a5 Kf6 35.b5 Ke6



36.b6



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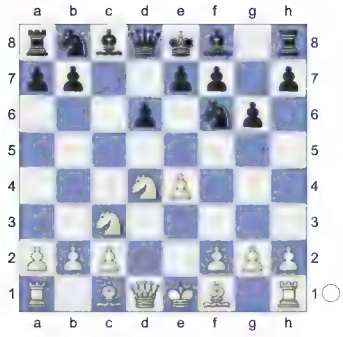
65 **B70**
□ **Sotoca62** **2691**
■ **Domore** **2592**
Blitz 27.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

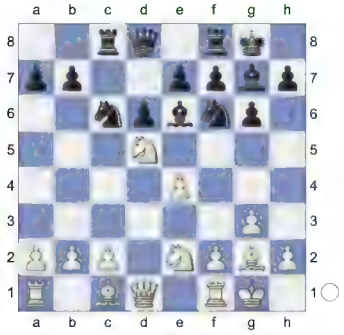
Blitz 3min
B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.g3 Bg7 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Nde2 Be6N
[9...Rb8 10.a4 a6 11.Nd5 *(11.h3 b5 12.axb5 axb5 13.Nd5 Nd7 14.c3 e6 15.Ne3 Qc7 16.Nd4 b4 17.Nxc6 Qxc6 18.Bd2 Nc5 19.cxb4 Nxe4 20.Rc1 Qb7 21.Bc3 Nxc3 22.bxc3 Qc7 23.Qd3 d5 24.c4 dxc4 25.Rxc4 Qe7* Alekseev,E (2708)-Svidler,P (2738) Moscow RUS 2008 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (67) *)* 11...e6 *(11...b5 12.axb5 axb5 13.Bg5 Ng4 14.h3 h6 15.Bc1 Nge5 16.Nef4 b4 17.Ra4 e6 18.Ne3 Qb6 19.Re1 Ba6 20.Bf1 Bxf1 21.Rxf1 Nd4 22.f3 Rfc8 23.Rf2 Ndxf3+ 24.Rxf3 Nxf3+ 25.Qxf3 Rxc2 26.Ne2* Firman,N-Svane,R Hamburgo 2014 MBM: Sicilian Dragon [Carsten Hansen] 0-1 (46)*; 11...Nd7 12.c3 b5 13.axb5 axb5 14.Bg5 Re8 15.Nd4 Nxd4 16.cxd4 Bb7 17.Nb4 Ra8 18.Qd2 Ra4 19.b3 Rxa1 20.Rxa1 Nc5 21.dxc5 Bxa1 22.c6 Ba8*

23.Bh3 Bf6 24.Bd7 Bxg5 25.Qxg5 Rf8 26.Nd5 Greger,R (2538)-Chapter Bc4 (2500) Danmark - Sverige 41/475 2000 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0*)* 12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.c3 Qc7 3) Non-Dangerous Dragons [Alt-4. Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.g3 Bg7]

10.Nd5 Rc8



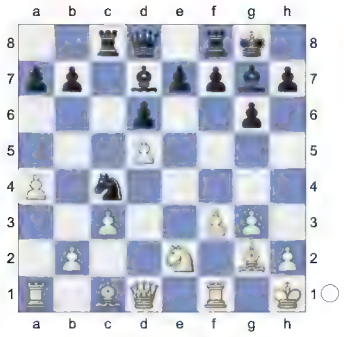
11.c3 Bg4 12.f3 0.06/18

[12.h3± 0.37/17 Bd7 13.Be3]

12...Bd7 The position is equal. **13.a4** -0.66/20

[13.Be3= 0.13/16]

13...Nxd5∓ 14.exd5 Ne5 15.Kh1 Nc4



16.b3 Na5 17.Ra2 -0.49/20

[17.Be3= -0.09/17 deserves consideration.]

17...b6 0.18/20

[17...Bxc3? 18.Nxc3 Rxc3 19.b4+-]

[17...Qb6∓ -0.49/20 18.b4 Nc4]

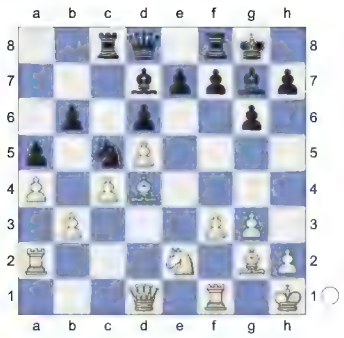
18.c4= Nb7 0.54/18

[18...a6= 0.20/18]

19.Be3 a5 0.80/18

[19...Re8± 0.49/16]

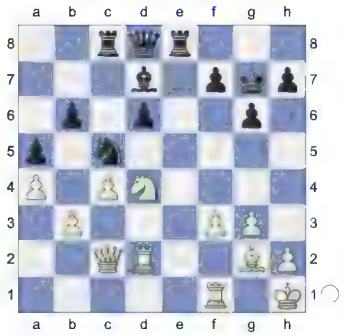
20.Bd4 Nc5



21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Nd4 e5 23.dxe6! Nxe6 24.Rd2 Nc5 25.Qc2 0.01/20

[25.Nb5± 0.61/19]

25...Re8



26.Qc3

[26.f4 keeps more tension. Re3 27.f5 Qe8 28.Rdf2]

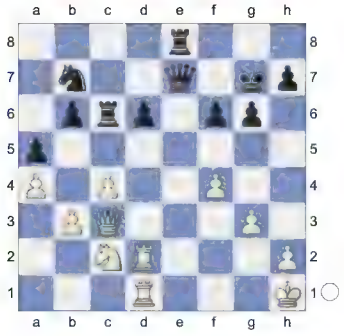
26...f6 0.34/19

[Black should play 26...Qf6∓ -0.31/19]

27.Rfd1→ Black needs to defend precisely. **27...Qe7 28.Nc2 Nb7** 0.58/18

[28...Qe5= 0.26/21 29.Qxe5 fxe5]

29.f4 Bc6 30.Bxc6 &Bianco is more active. **30...Rxc6**



31.Nd4 0.15/20

[31.Re1± 0.47/20 is superior. Qd8

32.Rde2 Rxe2 33.Rxe2]

31...Rc7 32.Qf3 Nc5 33.Nb5 Ne4 2.00/22

[33...Rd7± 0.62/22]

34.Re2

[Wrong is 34.Nxd6? Nxd2 35.Nxe8+ Qxe8-+]

34...Rd7

And now ...Nxg3+! would win. **35.Nc3 f5**

36.Nxe4 fxe4 37.Qc3+ Qf6 38.Qxf6+ Kxf6± Endgame KRR-KRR **39.Rd4 d5 40.cxd5**

[Don't do 40.Rxd5?! Rxd5 41.cxd5 g5±]

40...Red8 2.15/24

[40...h5± 1.07/21]

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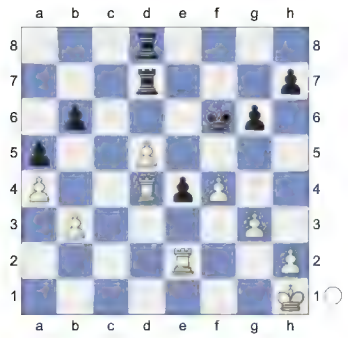
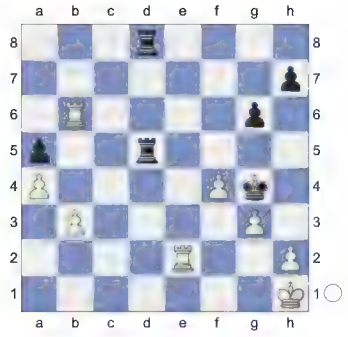


41.Rdxe4+- Rxd5 42.Re6+ Kf5 43.Rxb6 Kg4



44.Kg2 Rc8? 4.70/26

[44...R5d6 2.89/22 45.Rb7 R8d7 46.Rxd7 Rxd7 47.h3+ Kf5 48.Re5+ Kf6 49.Rxa5 Rd2+ 50.Kf3 Rd3+ 51.Kg4 h5+ 52.Kh4 Rxb3]

45.h3+ Kf5

46.Re3 White threatens Kf3 and mate.

46...h5? #4/10

[46...Rc1+- 3.49/28]

47.Kf3 White mates. **47...g5 48.g4+ hxg4+ 49.hxg4#**

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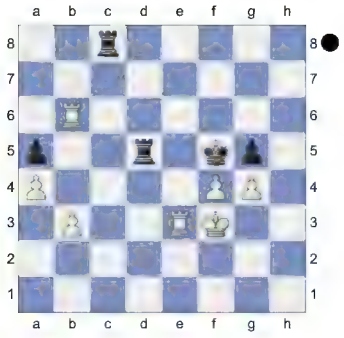

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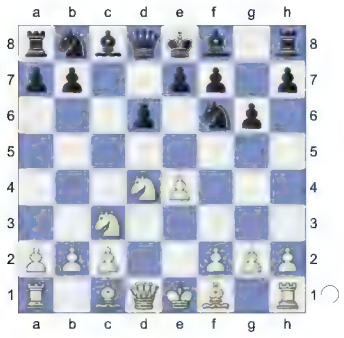
66 **B72**
□ **Cxcx83** **2691**
■ **Chesselation94** **2772**
Blitz 24.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

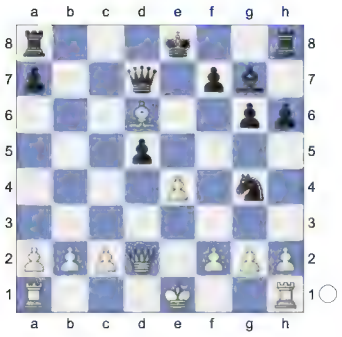


6.Be3 Bg7 7.Qd2 Ng4 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4
[9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bh4 0-0=]
9...Nc6 10.Bb5N
[10.Nb3 Nf6 *(10...Be6 11.f3 Nf6 12.0-0-0 a5 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 a4 15.dxc6 axb3 16.cxb3 bxc6 17.Kb1 0-0 18.b4 Qb6 19.Bc4 Rfb8 20.a3 d5 21.Bf2 Qb7 22.Bb3 Nd7 23.Rc1 e6 24.Rc2 Bf8 25.Rhc1* Nevostrujev,V (2405)-Tiviakov,S (2615) Elista 1996 CBM 056 [Schulz, Andre] 0-1 (56) *Rc8 26.Ba2 Ra6 27.Rc3 Rca8 28.Qc2 Rc8 29.Rb3 Nb6 30.Rc3 Na4 31.Rb3 Raa8 32.Bd4 Qc7 33.g3 e5 34.Bf2 Qe7 35.Re3 Qf6 36.Bb3 d4 37.Re4 c5 38.Bxa4 cxb4 39.Qb3 Rxc1+ 40.Kxc1* Parkin,C (2405)-Dauvergne, D (2615) Dortmund 1996 CBM 095 [Liubomirov] 0-1 (56)*)* 11.f3 a6 12.Be2 0-0 13.Bf2 Na5 14.0-0 Be6 15.Nd5 Nxb3 16.axb3 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.c3 e5 19.dxe6 Bxe6 20.b4 Re8 21.Rfe1 Qd7 22.Bd4 Rac8 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Rad1 Bb3 Carlsen,M (2714)-Ivanisevic,I (2607) Hersonissos 101/385 2007 CI1-130 [Ivanisevic,Ivan] 0-1 (42) 25.Qd4+ Kg8 26.Ra1 Re5 27.f4 Rd5 28.Qf2 h5 29.Bf3 Rb5 30.Be4 Be6 31.Rad1 Qc7 32.Bxg6 Bg4 33.Bd3 Bxd1 34.Bxb5 axb5 35.Rxd1 Re8 36.Rd5 Qc4 37.Rxh5 Qd3 38.Qg3+ Qxg3 39.hxg3 Re2 Molina,R (2847)-Kauschmann,H (2670) Moscow 2021 CBM 048 Extra [Harding/Busemann] 1-0 (42)]
10...Qb6

11.Nxc6 The position is equal. **11...bxc6**

(Diagram)

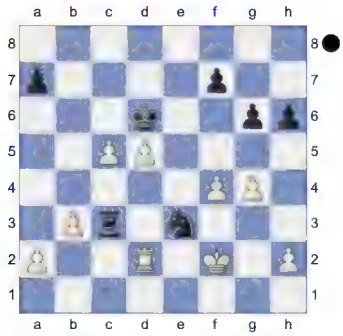
12.Nd5! Qb7 13.Bxe7 -1.07/21 **Bd7!∓**
[13...cxb5?! 14.Bxd6 f5 15.0-0-0=]
14.Bxd6 cxd5 15.Bxd7+ Qxd7 -0.92/19
[⌓15...Kxd7 -1.26/19 16.Ba3 Kc8]



16.Qxd5 Rd8 17.Rd1 Be5? 4.15/21
18.Bxe5+- Qxd5 19.exd5 -0.01/19
[19.Rxd5+- 4.20/21 Nxe5 20.Rxe5+ Kf8 21.Ke2]
19...Nxe5= 20.Ke2 -0.71/20
[20.Rd4= -0.01/19]
20...Kd7∓

21.f4 -1.38/21
[21.b3∓ -0.58/19]
21...Nc4 22.b3 Rhe8+ 23.Kf3 Ne3 &Nero is more active. **24.Rd2 Kd6** -0.63/19
[24...Nf5∓ -1.22/21 White must now prevent ...Re3+. 25.Rd3 h5]
25.Re1 -1.61/23 Inhibits Re3+.
[White should play 25.g4!∓ -0.63/19]
25...Nf5-+
[Don't play 25...Nxd5 26.Rxe8 Rxe8 27.c4+-]

26.Rxe8 Rxe8 Endgame KRN-KR
27.c4 Re3+ -1.25/23
[27...h5-+ -1.65/22 28.Kf2 Re3]
28.Kf2∓ Rc3 29.g4 Ne3 30.c5+ -2.45/20
[30.h3∓ -1.47/19]



30...Kxc5? 0.01/20
[30...Kd7!-+ -2.45/20 31.g5 hxg5 32.fxg5 Ng4+ 33.Kg2 Rxc5]

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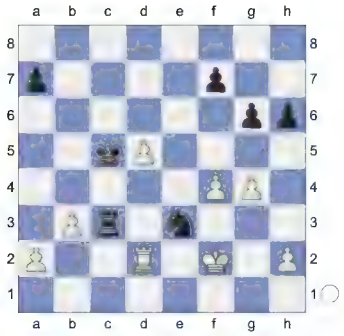
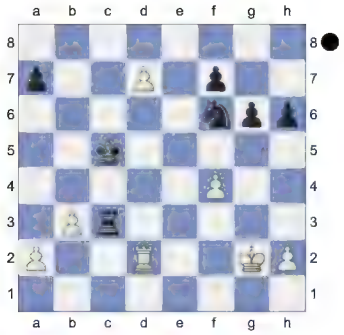
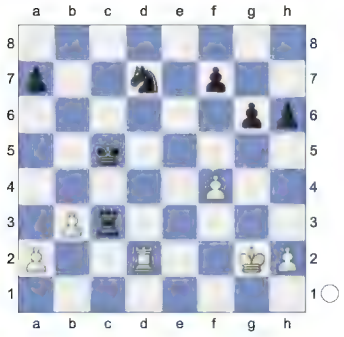


31.d6= Nxg4+ 32.Kg2 Ne3+
[32...Nf6!? 33.d7

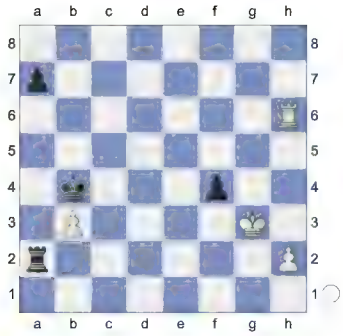


Nxd7! 34.Rxd7 Rc2+ 35.Kf3 Rxa2=]
33.Kf2 Ng4+ 34.Kg2 Nf6 35.d7 Nxd7

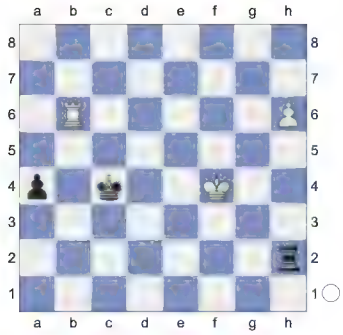


36.Rxd7 KR-KR **36...Rc2+ 37.Kg3**
And now Rc7+ would win. **37...Rxa2**
38.Rxf7 Kb4 39.Rf6 g5 0.66/22
[Black should try 39...Ra1= 0.07/21]
40.Rxh6 0.00/23
[40.f5± 0.66/22]
40...gxf4+

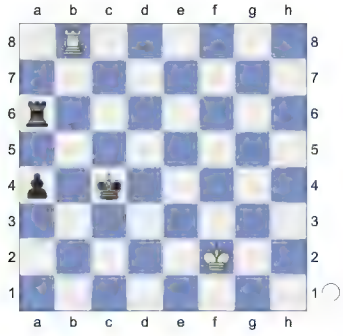
(Diagram)



41.Kxf4 Kxb3 42.h4 a5 43.h5 a4 44.Rb6+ Kc4 45.h6 Rh2



46.Kg3 Rh1 47.Ra6 Kb5 48.Ra8 -5.07/24
[48.Kg2= -0.01/25 Rh5 49.Re6]
48...Rxh6-+ Black is clearly winning.
49.Kf2 Ra6 50.Rb8+ Kc4



Never resign too early!
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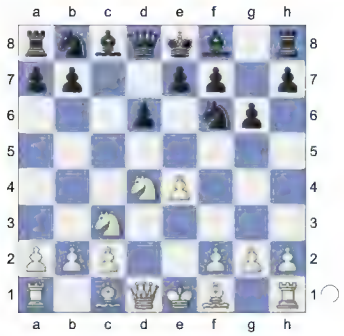
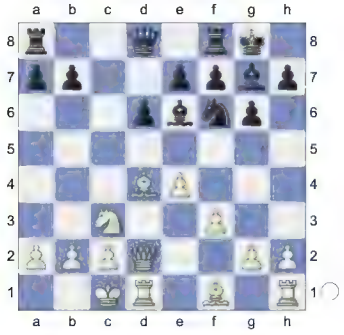
67 **B76**
□ **Theblitzchamp** **2691**
■ **Loin Sn** **2890**
Blitz 15.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

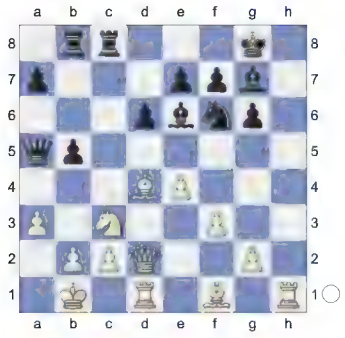
Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
Boto,Z: 'Inf 89/187''Inf 89/187 Boto, Zeljko: 'Boto,Z: 'Inf 89/187''' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6

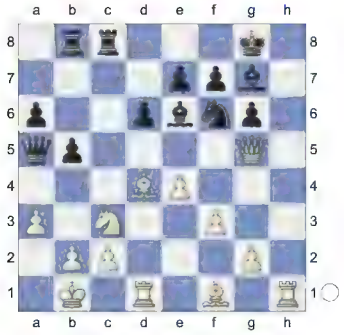


11.h4 Qa5 12.h5N -0.01/18
[12.a3± 0.39/18 Rab8 13.Qg5 b5 14.e5 h6 15.exf6 hxg5 16.fxg7 Rfc8 17.hxg5 f6 18.gxf6 b4 19.Rh8+ Kf7 20.g8Q+ Rxg8 21.Rh7+ Kf8 22.fxe7+ Ke8 23.Ne4 Kd7 24.Bc5 d5 25.e8Q+ 1-0 (25) Boto,Z (2290)-Buntic,A Bosna i Hercegovina (rapid) 89/187 2003 CI1-130 [Boto,Zeljko]]
[12.Qg5 Qc7 13.h5 Rfc8 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bd3 b5 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 b4 18.Rh6 Rab8 19.Rdh1 b3 20.Qh4 Nh5 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.Bh7+ Kf8 23.Bxg7+ Ke8 24.axb3 Qa5 25.Qa4+ Qxa4 26.bxa4 Rb4 Schliemann Gambit (2540)-Kim,A (2403) 2. FS-Bundesliga (LC-22/1) 2000 CBM 189 Extra [BCM 1891 p480] 1-0 (41) 27.Rxh5 Rc5 28.Bf5 e6 29.dxe6 Rxa4 30.exf7+ Kxf7 31.Bc3 d5 32.Rh7+ Kg8 33.Rh8+ Kf7 34.Rh7+ Kf8 35.Be5 Ra6 36.Rh8+ Kf7 37.Rh7+ Kf8 38.f4 Rcc6 39.Rh8+ Kf7 40.Rh7+ Kf8 41.Rd7 ½-½ (41) Hutois,M (2263)-Harutyunyan,R (1893) Sautron 2015 EXT 2019 [ChessBase II]]
[12.Kb1 Rfc8 13.a3 a6 14.g4 h5 15.g5 Nd7 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.f4 Rxc3 18.Qxc3+ Qxc3 19.bxc3 Bg4 20.Rd4 Nc5 21.Bh3 Bxh3 22.Rxh3 Ne6 23.Rb4 Nxf4 24.Rf3 Ng2 25.Rxb7 Nxh4 26.Rf2 Re8 Nielson,H-Goldstein,C Ayamonte 2007 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (42)]
12...Rfc8 0.54/19
[Black should play 12...Bxa2= -0.01/18 13.g4 *(13.h6 Bh8∓)* 13...Be6]
13.hxg6
[13.h6!? Bh8 14.Kb1±]
13...hxg6 14.a3 White is slightly better.
14...Rab8 15.Kb1 b5

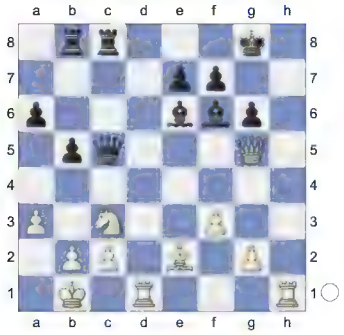


Threatens to win with ...b4. **16.Qg5 a6**

0.83/19
[16...Qc7= 0.01/20 17.e5 *(17.Bxb5 Qa5∓)* 17...Nd5]



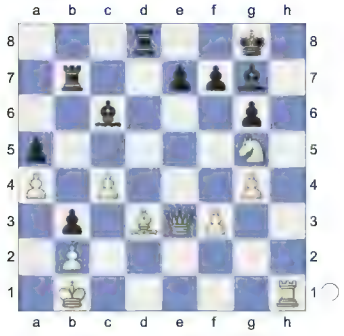
17.Be2 0.01/21
[17.Bd3!± 0.83/19]
17...Qc7 0.33/19
[17...d5= 0.01/21]
18.e5!± dxe5 19.Bxe5 Qc5 3.67/19
Black cannot hold the game after this.
[19...Qb6!± 0.51/20]
20.Bxf6+- Bxf6 5.49/23
[⌓20...Qxg5 3.81/21 21.Bxg5 Bxc3 22.bxc3 f6]



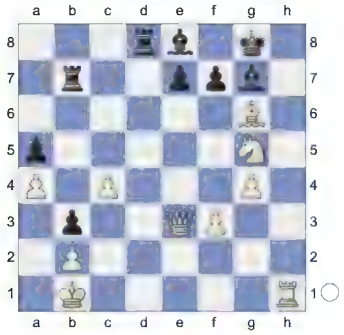
21.Rd8+! Rxd8 22.Qxc5 Rdc8 23.Qe3 b4 24.Ne4 Bg7 25.a4 b3

(Diagram)

26.c3 Rd8 27.g4 a5 28.Ng5 Bd5 29.Bd3 And now c4 would win. **29...Rb7 30.c4 Bc6**



31.Bxg6! Be8
[31...e6 32.Bxf7+]



32.Qe4! Bxf7+ would kill now. **32...Rbd7**
[32...Rd6 33.Bxf7+]

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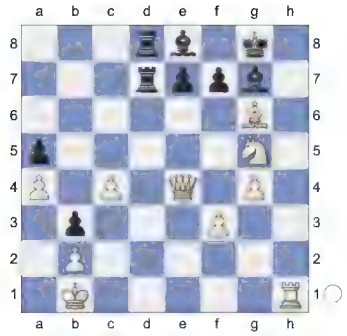
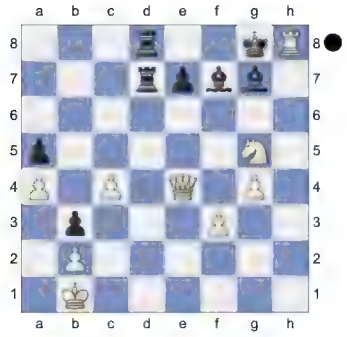


33.Bxf7+! Bxf7
[33...Kf8 34.Ne6+]

34.Rh8+!



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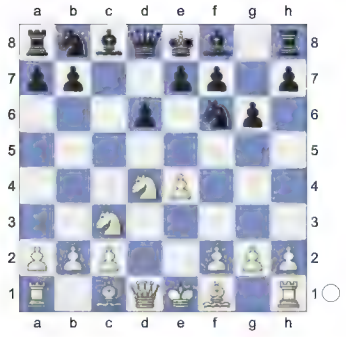
68 **B72**
□ **Sarana,Alexey** **2689**
■ **Matinian,N** **2415**
Titled Tue 11th Mar Early blitz (2)
[Kitty Kat]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 h5 8.Qd2 Nxd4 White is slightly better. **9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Qf2 Bd7**

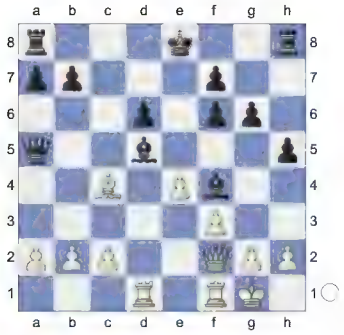
11.Bc4 Qa5 12.0-0 0.05/20
[White should play 12.Rd1± 0.58/18]
12...Bc6N 0.61/19
[12...e5!= 0.05/20 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Qxe3 Rc8 15.Bb3 Qc5 16.Qxc5 dxc5 17.Bc4 Bc6 18.Rae1 Nd7 19.Nb5 Bxb5 20.Bxb5 a6 21.Bxd7+ Kxd7 22.f4 exf4 23.Rxf4 Ke7 24.Ref1 Rhf8 25.Kf2 Rc6 26.h4 Re6 27.Rd1 Re5 28.Rd3 b5 29.Ra3 Re6 Audi,A (2372)-Bernadskiy,V

(2524) Lagos 2023 Mega2023 Update 53 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (32)]

13.Rad1 Bf4 0.85/19

[13...e5± 0.48/18 is more appropriate.]

14.Bxf6± exf6 15.Nd5 Bxd5



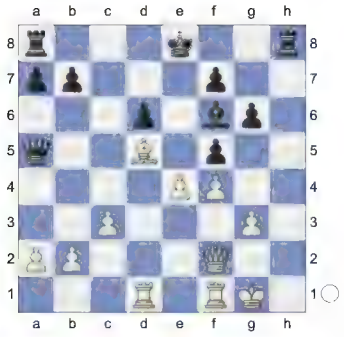
16.Bxd5 h4 17.g3 hxg3 18.hxg3 Be5 19.c3↑ Black must now prevent f4. White has strong initiative. **19...f5** 2.00/21

[19...g5± 0.84/22]

20.f4

[20.Bxb7?! Rb8 21.Bc6+ Kf8±]

20...Bf6



21.exf5 gxf5 22.Bxb7 Rb8 23.Bd5 Kf8 24.Kg2 Rb5 2.20/21

[24...Kg7± 1.38/19 was called for. 25.Bb3 Qc7]

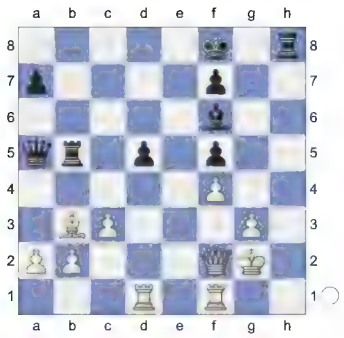
25.Bb3 Active counter play!

[25.Bc6 Rb6]

25...d5 2.43/20

[⌓25...Qc7 1.63/21 26.Qf3 Kg7]

(Diagram)



26.Qf3 d4 27.cxd4

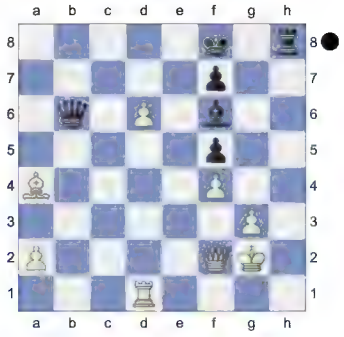
[27.Qc6 Qb6 28.Qd7 Qb7+ 29.Qxb7 Rxb7 30.cxd4 Rb4]

27...Qb6 28.d5 a5 29.d6? 0.01/23

[29.Rc1+- 2.09/20 Threatens to win with Rc8+. a4 30.Bxa4 *(30.Rc8+ Kg7±)* 30...Rxb2+ 31.Rc2]

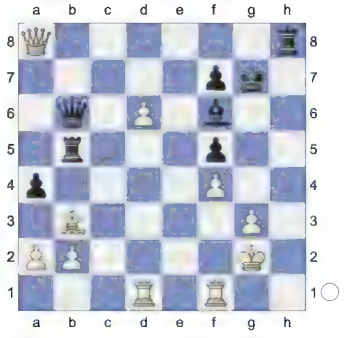
29...a4!= 30.Qa8+

[30.Bxa4? Rxb2+ 31.Rf2 Rxf2+ 32.Qxf2



Rh2+!! 33.Kxh2 Qxf2+ 34.Kh3 Qxa2-+]

30...Kg7



31.Qxa4 Hoping for Qc4. **31...Qb7+ 32.Rf3** aiming for Qc4. **32...Rb4** Against Qc4 **33.Qa5 Re4?** 3.81/20

[33...Rh2+!= 0.06/25 and Black is okay. 34.Kxh2 Qxf3]

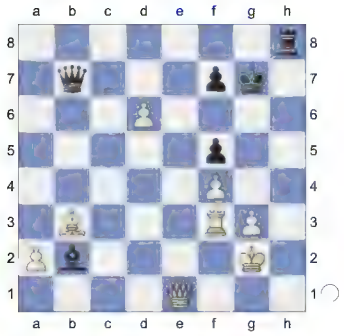
34.Re1? 0.99/20

[34.Qd5+- 3.81/20 and White stays clearly on top. Re2+ 35.Rf2 Rxf2+ 36.Kxf2 Rh2+ 37.Kf3]

34...Rxe1 2.15/23

[34...Rd4± 0.99/20]

35.Qxe1+- Bxb2



36.Qd2 Bf6 37.Qd3

[Much less strong is 37.Qd5?! Qxd5 38.Bxd5 Rd8±]

37...Qb6? 4.69/22

[37...Rd8 1.73/22 38.a4 *(38.Qxf5 Rxd6 39.Qg4+ Kf8±)* 38...Qc6]

38.Qxf5 2.40/23

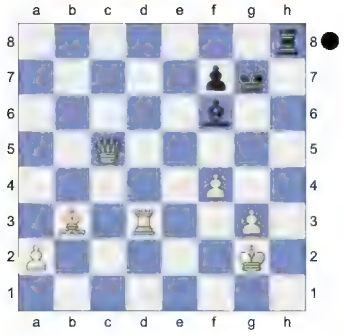
[⌓38.Qd5 4.69/22 Rf8 39.d7]

38...Qxd6 39.Rd3 Inhibits Qd2+.

39...Qc5 #8/18

[39...Qc6++- 2.31/24 40.Qd5 *(40.Bd5? Qc2+ 41.Kf3 Rh2-+)* 40...Qxd5+ 41.Rxd5 Rd8]

40.Qxc5



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69 **B76**

□ **Corre Por Tu Vida** **2688**

■ **Bocchoiboi** **2694**

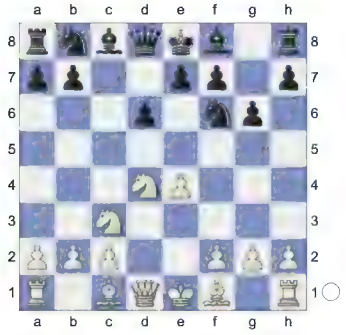
Blitz 09.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.g4 Be6 10.Nxe6 fxe6

11.0-0-0 Nd7

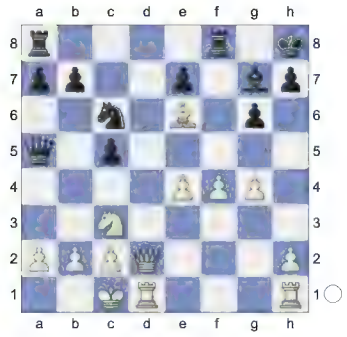
[11...Ne5 12.Be2 Rc8 13.Nb5 Qd7 14.Nxa7 Ra8 15.Kb1 b5 16.g5 Nh5 17.Nxb5 Nxf3 18.Qb4 Ne5 19.Rhf1 Rfc8 20.Qb3 Kh8 21.Bd4 Rab8 22.a4 Nc6 23.Bc3 e5 24.Bxh5 gxh5 25.Qd5 Qg4 26.Rg1 15.Nc4 0-0 16. Qe5 Rab8 (2664)-4.a3Ba6/ 10.Be2

(2613) Germany 2008 Mega2023 Update 39 [Liubomirov] 1-0 (65)]

12.f4N

[12.Bc4 Rxf3 13.Bxe6+ Kh8 14.h4 Nc5 15.Bd5 Qb6 16.Rde1 Raf8 17.g5 e6 18.h5 gxh5 19.Bxc6 Qxc6 20.Qh2 Qe8 21.Qxd6 b6 22.Qh2 Kg8 23.Qxh5 Qxh5 24.Rxh5 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Rf1 26.Rxf1 Rxf1+ Piekielny,P (2250)-Golubka,P (2440) Krakow POL 2024 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (57)]

12...Qa5 13.Bc4 Prevents b5. White is slightly better. **13...Nc5 14.Bxc5 dxc5 15.Bxe6+ Kh8**



16.e5 0.36/18

[16.g5± 0.75/18]

16...Rad8± 17.Qe3 Nd4 18.Bd5 -0.90/21

[18.Bb3± 0.85/19]

18...b5!∓ Black has strong compensation. **19.a3** -2.91/19

[19.Bb3∓ -1.29/18 Qb6 20.Nd5]

19...Qb6? 0.73/19

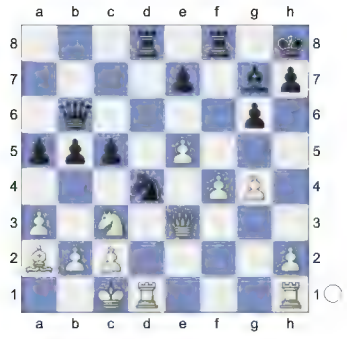
[Better is 19...b4-+ -2.91/19 20.Bc4 *(20.axb4? Qa1+ 21.Kd2 Qxb2-+)* 20...bxc3 21.Qxc3 Qc7]

20.Ba2 -0.68/21

[20.h4± 0.73/19 Threatens to win with h5. b4 21.axb4 cxb4 22.Qxd4 *(22.Rxd4 bxc3 23.Qxc3 e6∓)* 22...bxc3 23.Qxc3]

20...a5 0.08/18

[Black should play 20...b4∓ -0.68/21 21.axb4 Qxb4]



21.Nd5= Qe6 1.33/19

[21...Qb7!= -0.01/19 keeps the balance.]

22.h4? -1.32/21

[22.c3± 1.33/19 is necessary to keep the advantage. Rxf4 23.cxd4 Rxd4 24.Rxd4 cxd4 25.Qxd4]

22...Rxd5∓ 23.Bxd5 Qxd5 24.h5 -2.46/21

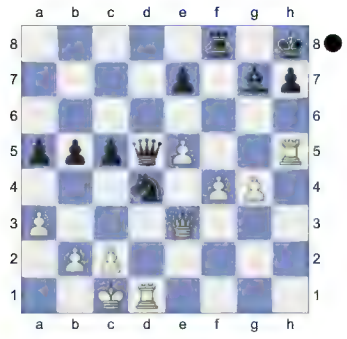
[24.Kb1∓ -1.40/21]

24...gxh5 -1.19/21

[24...Qa2-+ -2.46/21 and Black stays clearly on top. 25.hxg6 h6]

25.Rxh5 -2.15/21

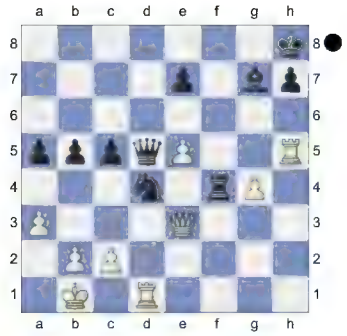
[25.c3∓ -1.19/21 was worth a try. Qc4 26.Kb1]



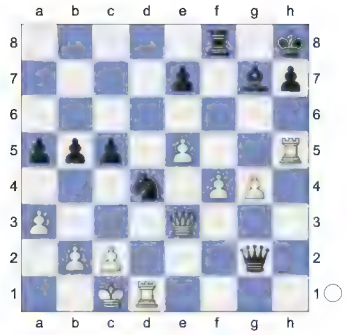
25...Qg2 -0.82/22

[25...Rxf4!!-+ -2.15/21 is more deadly. aiming for ...Qc4! 26.Kb1 *(26.c3 Rf3)*

(Diagram)



26...Qg2!]



26.Qd3 h6 27.Rdh1 -1.95/21
[27.Qg6∓ -0.93/21]
27...Ne2+? 0.54/23
[And not 27...Rxf4 28.Rxh6+ Kg8 29.R6h2]
[27...Kg8-+ -1.95/21 ...Ne2+ is the strong threat. 28.R5h2 Qxg4]
28.Kb1 0.01/21
[White should try 28.Kd1!± 0.54/23 Rxf4 29.R5h2 *(29.Qxe2? Rd4+ 30.Ke1 Re4-+)* 29...Qxg4 30.Qxe2]
28...Nxf4? 9.26/20
[28...Rxf4= 0.01/21 29.Rxh6+ *(29.Qd8+ Rf8=)* 29...Kg8 30.Qd8+ Rf8 31.Rh8+ Bxh8 32.Rxh8+ Kxh8 33.Qxf8+ Kh7 34.Qxe7+ Kg8]
29.Rxh6++- Kg8

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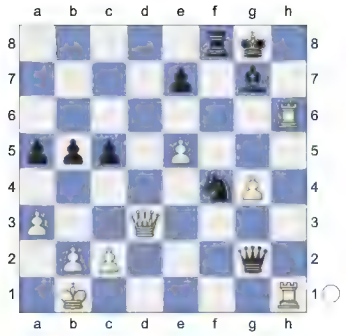
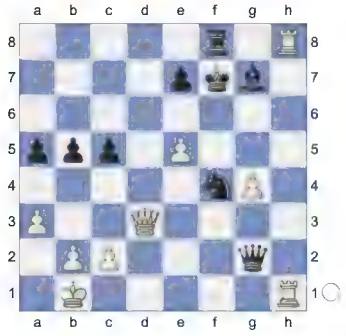
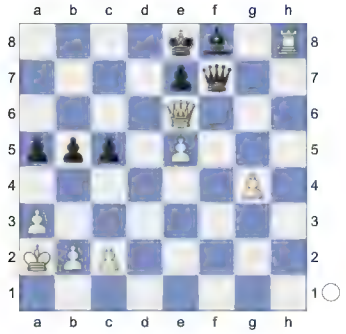


30.Rh8+!! Kf7



31.Qf5+ Ke8 And now ...Qxh1+! would win. **32.Rxf8+** Deflection **32...Bxf8 33.Rh8 Ne6 34.Qxe6** Endgame White wants to mate with Qc8+. KQR-KQB **34...Qf1+ 35.Ka2** Qc8+ would kill now. **35...Qf7**



36.Qxf7+ Kxf7 KR-KB **37.c4 b4 38.axb4 axb4 39.Kb3 Bg7 40.Rh7 Kg6**

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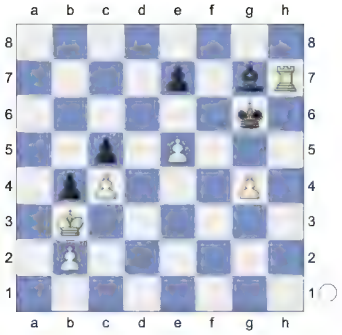
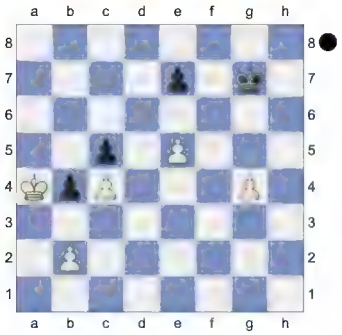


41.Rxg7+! Kxg7 42.Ka4



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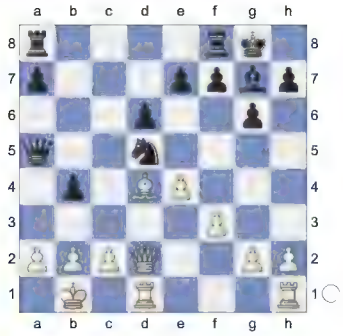
70 **B77**
□ **Mightbedecent** **2688**
■ **Peradetlic83** **2738**
Blitz 02.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

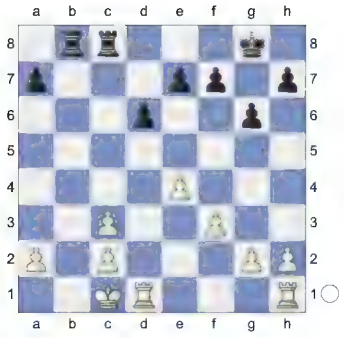
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Bc4 0-0 9.Qd2 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6

11.Bb3 Qa5 12.0-0-0 b5 13.Kb1 b4 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.Bxd5 Nxd5

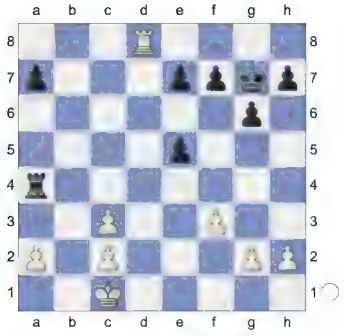


16.Bxg7 Nc3+! 17.Bxc3 The position is equal. **17...bxc3 18.Qxc3 Qxc3 19.bxc3=** Endgame KRR-KRR **19...Rab8+N**
[19...Rfc8 20.Rd3 Rc5 2. Yugoslav Attack with 9.Bc4-N,N]
20.Kc1 Rfc8

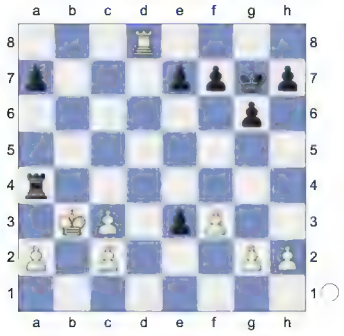
(Diagram)



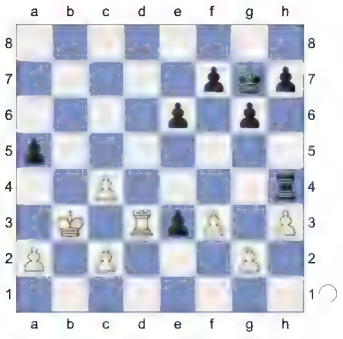
21.Rd3 Rc4 22.Rhd1 Ra4 23.e5 dxe5 24.Rd8+ Rxd8 25.Rxd8+ KR-KR
25...Kg7



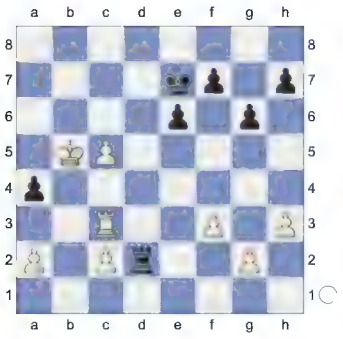
26.Kb2 e4 0.60/21
[26...f5= -0.10/21]
27.Kb3!± e3



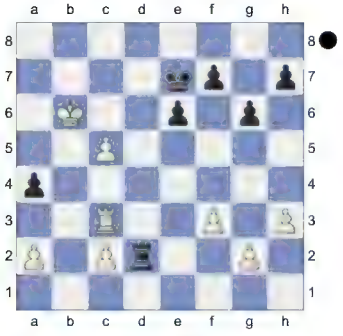
28.Rd3!
[28.Kxa4? perishes. e2 29.c4 e1Q-+]
28...Rh4 29.h3
[Don't play 29.Rxe3?! Rxh2 30.c4 *(30.Rxe7 Rxg2 31.c4 Kf6=)* 30...Rxg2=]
29...a5 30.c4 e6 1.95/23
[30...e2± 1.48/20 was called for. 31.Re3 Kf6]



31.Rxe3+- And now Rc3 would win.
31...a4+? 4.92/23
[31...Rh5 1.80/20 is more resistant. 32.Kc3 Kf8]
32.Kb4 White is clearly winning.
32...Rd4 8.50/22
[⌓32...Kf6 4.65/20 33.Kb5 e5]
33.Kb5 Rd2 34.Rc3 Kf6 35.c5 Ke7



36.Kb6



aiming for c6. **36...Kd8 37.Kb7 Kd7 38.c6+**

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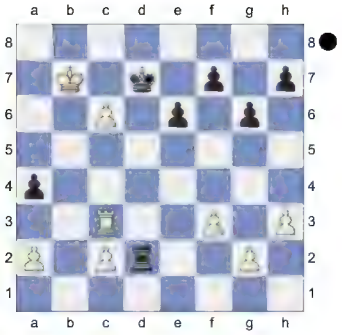

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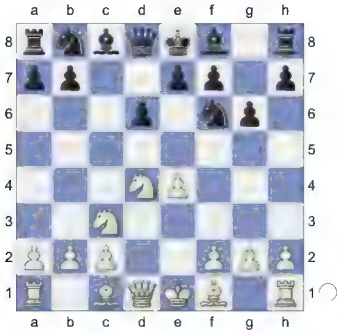
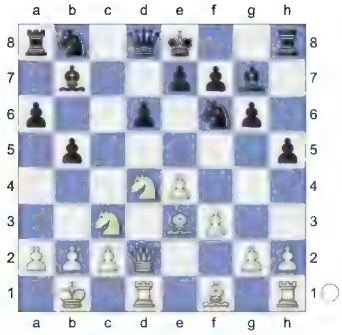
71 **B75**
□ **Cxcx83** **2682**
■ **Chesselation94** **2781**
Blitz 24.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



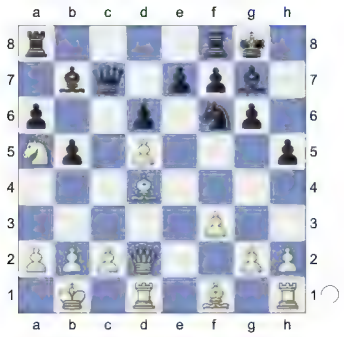
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 a6 8.Qd2 h5 9.0-0-0 b5 10.Kb1 Bb7

(Diagram)

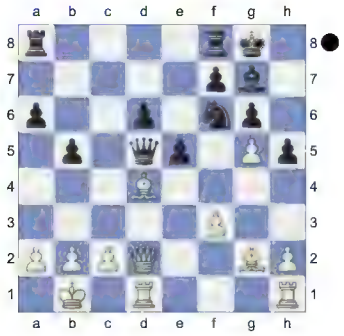


The position is equal. **11.Nb3** next e5! is good for White.
[11.e5 dxe5 12.Ne6 Qxd2 13.Nxg7+ Kf8 14.Ne6+ fxe6 15.Bxd2 Nc6 16.Bd3 Kf7 17.Ne4 Nxe4 18.Bxe4 Nd8 19.Bxb7 Nxb7 20.Bc3 Rhd8 21.Bxe5 Rd5 22.Bc3 Rad8 23.Kc1 Nd6 24.Rde1 Nf5 25.Re4 Rc8 Vetoshko,V (2507)-Lie,K (2506) chess.com INT 2024 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (45)]
[11.h4 Nbd7 12.Nb3 Rc8 13.Qf2 Rxc3 14.bxc3 Qc7 15.Bd3 Qxc3 16.Bd4 Qc7 17.Qd2 0-0 18.Qc3 Qb8 19.Rhe1 e5 20.Bf2 d5 21.Bg3 Rc8 22.Qa5 Qa8 23.Re2 Kh7 24.Be1 Nf8 25.exd5 Nxd5 Zhang,K (1979)-Schimnatkowski,L (2221) Hastings 2025 0-1 (52)]
11...Nbd7 12.Nd5 -0.23/20
[⌓12.a3 0.13/18]
12...Nxd5N
[12...Rc8 13.Bd4 0-0 14.Nxf6+ Nxf6 15.Bd3 e5 16.Bc3 d5 17.exd5 Qxd5 18.Qe1 Rfd8 19.Qxe5 Qxe5 20.Bxe5 Nd5 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Be4 f5 23.Bxd5 Bxd5 24.Nd4 Kf6 25.Rhe1 g5 26.h3 h4 27.b3 6.g3 e5 7.♘de2_53366 (2085)-Ludwig,W (2160) Riga 2023 Chess Today CT-827 [John Watson] 1-0 (35) Rd6 28.Rd2 Rcd8 29.c3 b4 30.Kb2 bxc3+ 31.Kxc3 g4 32.hxg4 fxg4 33.fxg4 Rc8+ 34.Kb2 Bxg2 35.Rf2+ 1-0 (35) Sahib,S (2085)-Svicevic,R

(2160) Pozarevac 2023]
13.exd5 Nf6 14.Bd4 Qc7 0.22/18
[14...Rc8 -0.11/17 deserves consideration.]
15.Na5= 0-0

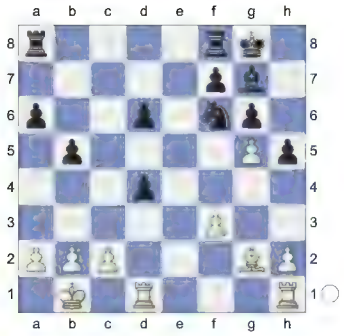


16.Nxb7 Qxb7 17.g4 -0.28/21
[⌓17.Bxf6 0.29/20 exf6 18.h3]
17...Qxd5 18.Bg2 e5
[Don't play 18...hxg4 19.fxg4 Ne4 20.Qe2 Bxd4 21.Qxe4 Qxe4 22.Bxe4±]
19.g5? -1.83/20

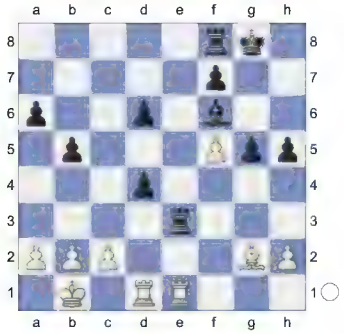


White does not recover from this.
19...Qxd4-+
[Not 19...exd4 20.gxf6 Bxf6 21.f4=]
20.Qxd4 -2.54/20
[⌓20.gxf6 -1.91/20 Bxf6 21.Qxd4 exd4 22.f4]
20...exd4

(Diagram)



Black has a decisive advantage. **21.gxf6 Bxf6 22.f4 Rae8 23.f5 g5**
[And not 23...gxf5 24.Bb7∓]
24.Rhe1 Re3



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72 **B75**
□ **Mila2010** **2682**
■ **Chesselation94** **2751**
Blitz 14.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

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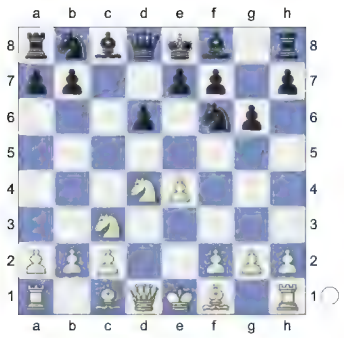

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 a6 8.Qd2 h5 9.Be2 Nc6

[9...Nbd7 10.a4 *(10.h3 b6 11.0-0-0 Bb7 12.g4 Qc7 13.g5 Nh7 14.f4 Nc5 15.Bf3 e5 16.Nde2 Rd8 17.Rhf1 exf4 18.Nxf4 0-0 19.Nfd5 Bxd5 20.Nxd5 Qa7 21.Bd4 Rfe8 22.Nf6+ Nxf6 23.gxf6 Bf8 24.Kb1 Kh7* Chapter,W (2726)-Levit,L (2329) Amsterdam 2023 Steinitz/Blackburne [John Watson] 1-0 (38)) 10...b6 11.Nd5 Bb7 12.c4 e6 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.0-0 e5 15.Nb3 Nc5 16.Nxc5 dxc5 17.Qxd8+ Bxd8 18.a5 Rc8 19.axb6 Bxb6 20.b4 f5 21.exf5 gxf5 22.f4 e4 23.Rfb1 Rc7 24.bxc5 Bellon Lopez,J (2706)-Kopjonkin,K (2483) Aghios Kirykos 2014 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (48)]

10.0-0N

[10.0-0-0 Bd7 11.Nd5 Rc8 12.Kb1 Ne5 13.Bg5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Rc7 15.h3 b5 16.Rhe1 f6 17.Bf4 Qa8 18.Qe3 0-0 19.Bh6 Rf7 20.g4 h4 21.Bxg7 Rxg7 22.f4 Nc4 23.Bxc4 bxc4 24.Nf3 c3 Mahith,G (1510)-Velavaa,R (1817) New Delhi 2022 1-0 (69) 25.b3 a5 26.Rd3 Qc8 27.Nd4 Kh7 28.Ne6 Bxe6 29.Qxe6 Qb7 30.Ree3 Qb4 31.Qe4 Rg8 32.Qxb4 axb4 33.a4 f5 34.g5 Kg7 35.Rd4 Rb8 36.Ka2 Kf7 37.Rc4 Rbb7 38.Rxc7 Rxc7 39.Kb1 Rc5 Mazgaj,B (1510)-7.. ♗g2 c6 8.0-0 a6 9. ♕c2 (1817) Yerevan (zt) 33/715 2022 CBM 087 Extra [John Watson] 1-0 (69)]

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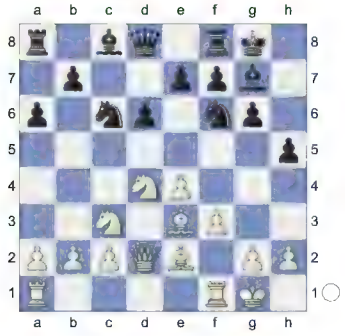
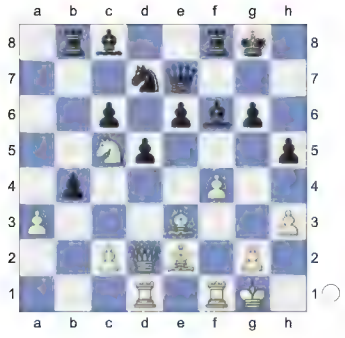


White is slightly better. **11.h3 d5** 0.63/19

[11...Nxd4= 0.24/18 12.Bxd4 *(12.Qxd4 Ng4=)* 12...Bd7]

12.Nxc6± bxc6 13.e5! Nd7 14.f4 e6 15.Na4! Rb8

16.b4 Qe7 17.a3 f6 18.exf6 Bxf6 19.Rad1 a5 20.Nc5 axb4



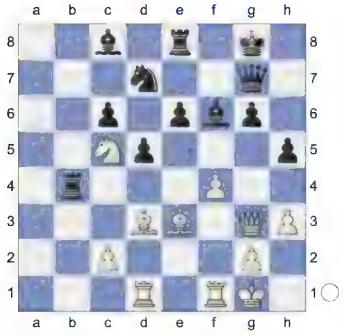
21.axb4 Nb6 1.29/18

[⌓21...Re8 0.87/18]

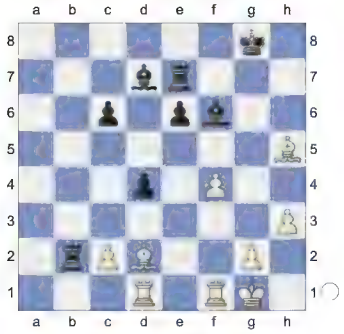
22.Bd3 Qg7 23.Qe2 Re8 24.Qf2 1.05/19

[⌓24.Rf3 1.48/18 Hoping for Rg3. h4

25.b5]
24...Nd7 25.Qg3 0.85/20
[⌓25.Nxd7 1.18/18 Bxd7 26.Bc5]
25...Rxb4±



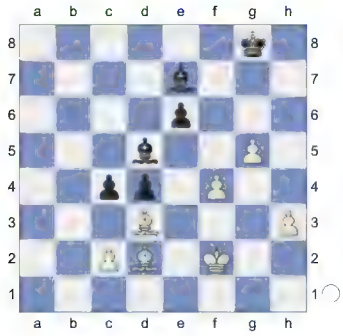
26.Qxg6 Qxg6 27.Bxg6 Re7 28.Bxh5 0.67/20
[28.f5!± 1.06/20 e5 29.Ra1 *(29.Bxh5 Rc4=)*]
28...d4 1.11/20
[28...Rc4± 0.67/20 29.Nxd7 Bxd7]
29.Nxd7 Bxd7 30.Bd2 Rb2



31.Bg6! c5 32.Bd3 0.09/21
[32.Rb1± 1.47/19 Rxb1 33.Rxb1]
32...Bc6 0.70/19
[32...Ba4= 0.09/21]
33.Rb1 0.01/19
[33.g4± 0.70/19]
33...Rxb1 1.17/19
[33...Reb7= 0.01/19 34.Ra1 Bb5]
34.Rxb1 Rg7? 2.64/23
[34...Re8± 1.04/20]
35.g4 Rb8+ is the strong threat.
35...Bd5

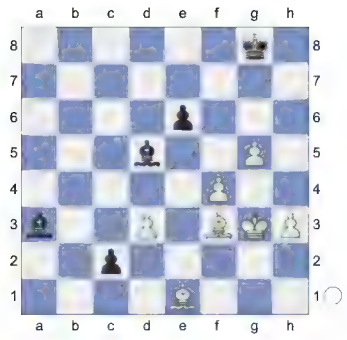
(Diagram)

36.Rb8+ Kf7 37.Rc8 Be7 38.Kf2
[Much less strong is 38.Rc7?! Rg8 39.g5 Rb8+-]
38...Rg8 39.Rxg8 1.50/24
[White should try 39.Rc7+- 1.92/21]
39...Kxg8+- 2.13/22 Endgame KBB-KBB
[39...Bh4+± 1.50/24 40.Ke2 Kxg8]
40.g5 0.86/22
[40.c4+- 2.13/22 and White stays clearly on top. Bh4+ 41.Kf1]
40...c4±

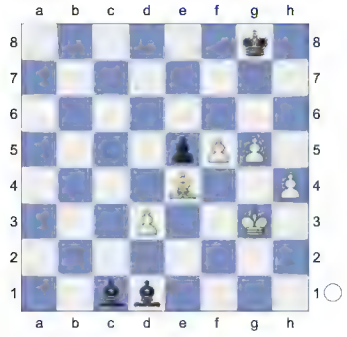


41.Be2 And now Bf3 would win.
41...Bc5? 1.92/23
[41...Ba3!= 0.01/20 and Black stays safe.]
42.Kg3+- Ba3 43.Bf3? -0.01/24
[43.Ba5+- 1.90/21]
43...c3= 44.Be1 d3 45.cxd3
[Wrong is 45.Bxd5? dxc2 46.Bxc3 *(46.Bxe6+? Kf8-+)* 46...c1Q-+]
45...c2

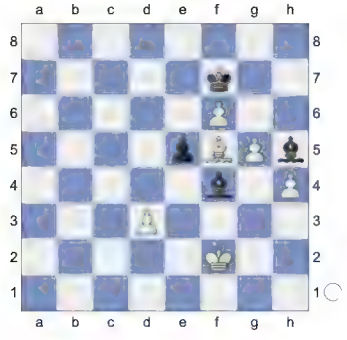
(Diagram)



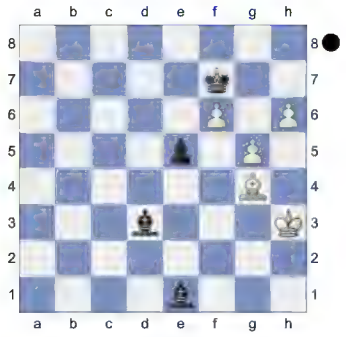
46.Bd2 Threatens to win with Bxd5.
46...Bb3 0.01/21
[46...Ba2!∓ -0.32/22]
47.Be4 c1Q 48.Bxc1 Bxc1 49.h4 Bd1 50.f5 -0.79/24
[50.Bf3= -0.01/25 remains equal. Bb3 51.Kg4]
50...e5 0.01/24
[50...exf5∓ -0.79/24 51.Bxf5 Bd2]



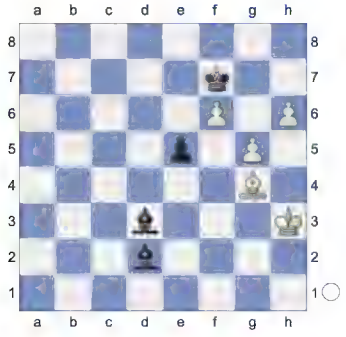
51.f6 Kf7 52.Bf5 Bf4+ 53.Kh3 Be2 54.Kg2 Bd1 55.Kf2 Bh5



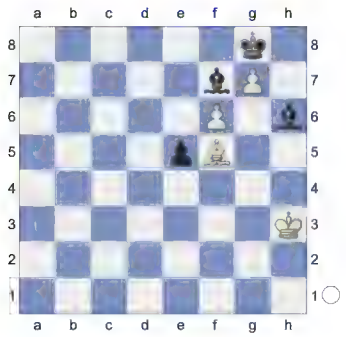
56.Kg2 Bd2 57.Kh3 Be1 58.Bg4 Bg6 59.h5 Strongly threatening Be6+!
59...Bxd3 aiming for ...Bf1+. **60.h6?** -5.46/25
[60.Bd1!= -0.01/22 Bf5+ 61.Bg4]



60...Bd2? -0.01/27
[60...Kg6!-+ -5.46/25 61.Bd1 Kxg5]

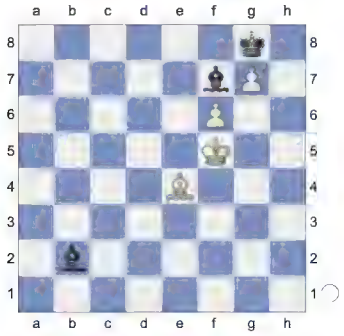


61.Bh5+ Kf8 62.g6 -1.47/29
[62.h7= -0.01/27 Bxh7 63.g6 Bxg6 64.Bxg6]
62...Bxh6∓ 63.g7+ Kg8 64.Bg4? -6.49/27
[64.Bd1 -1.74/29 Bc4 65.Kg4]
64...Bc4-+ 65.Bf5 Bf7? -1.84/30
[65...Bg5 -5.05/22 66.Kg4 Bxf6]



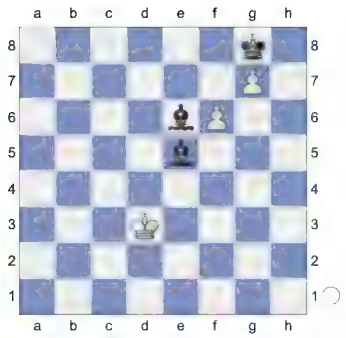
66.Kg4 Bf4 -1.25/32
[66...Bd5-+ -1.75/29 67.Bd3 Bf4]

67.Be4 -1.88/28
[67.Bd7∓ -1.25/32]
67...Bc1 -1.00/29
[Better is 67...Bb3-+ -1.88/28 68.Kh5 Be6]
68.Kf5∓ Bd2 -0.30/30
[68...Ba2∓ -1.00/29 69.Kxe5 Bf7]
69.Kxe5= Bc3+ 70.Kf5 Bb2

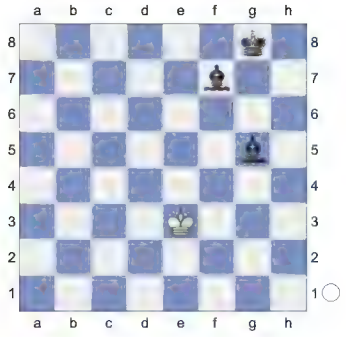


71.Bd5? -12.46/31 **Bxd5-+ 72.Kg5 Bf7** -7.07/29
[⌓72...Kf7 -#20/26 73.Kf5 Be6+ 74.Kf4 Kxf6 75.Ke4 Kg5 76.Kd3 Kf5 77.Ke3 Bxg7 78.Kf2 Ke4 79.Ke2 Bc4+ 80.Kd2 Bf6 81.Kc1 Kd3 82.Kd1 Bb2 83.Ke1 Ke3 84.Kd1 Bb3+ 85.Ke1 Bc3+ 86.Kf1 Kf3 87.Kg1 Kg3 88.Kh1 Bc4 89.Kg1 Bd4+ 90.Kh1 Bd5#]
73.Kf4 Bc3 -7.07/27
[⌓73...Bxf6 -#18/26 74.Kf5 Kxg7 75.Kf4 Bd5 76.Kf5 Kf7 77.Kf4 Kg6 78.Ke3 Kf5 79.Kd3 Kf4 80.Kd2 Bc4 81.Kd1 Ke3 82.Kc2 Bd5 83.Kc1 Bb3 84.Kb1 Kd3 85.Kc1 Kc3 86.Kb1 Bd5 87.Kc1 Bf3 88.Kb1 Kb3 89.Kc1 Bg5+ 90.Kb1 Be4+ 91.Ka1 Bf6#]
74.Ke3 Be6 75.Kd3 Be5

(Diagram)



76.Ke2 Bxf6 77.Ke3 Bxg7 78.Ke4 Bf6 79.Kf4 Bf7 80.Ke3 Bg5+ -7.07/25
[⌓80...Bg6 -#17/25 81.Kf3 Bg5 82.Kf2 Bd3 83.Kg3 Kg7 84.Kh3 Kg6 85.Kg4 Kh6 86.Kg3 Kh5 87.Kf3 Kh4 88.Kf2 Kg4 89.Ke1 Kf3 90.Kd1 Be4 91.Ke1 Bc2 92.Kf1 Bd2 93.Kg1 Kg3 94.Kh1 Bd3 95.Kg1 Be3+ 96.Kh1 Be4#]



81.Kf3 Bg6 82.Kf2 Bf5 83.Kf1 Be4 84.Kg1 Bd3 85.Kh2 Be4? 0.01/31
[85...Kh7 -#14/30 86.Kg3 Be2 87.Kf2 Bh5 88.Kg1 Bh4 89.Kh2 Kg6 90.Kh3 Kg5 91.Kh2 Be2 92.Kg1 Kg4 93.Kh2 Bf1 94.Kh1 Bh3 95.Kg1 Kg3 96.Kh1 Bg5 97.Kg1 Be3+ 98.Kh1 Bg2#]

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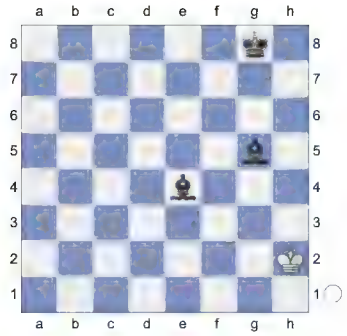
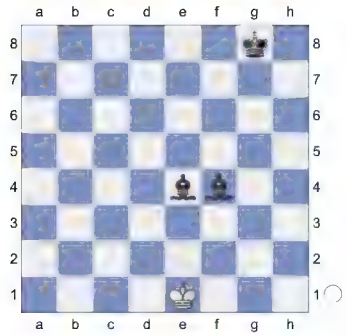
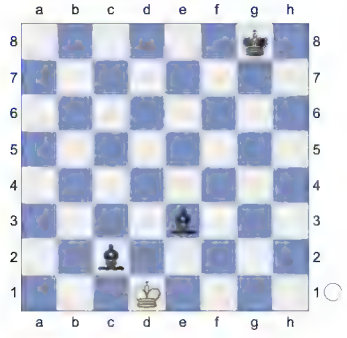


86.Kh3? -#14/30
[86.Kg1= 0.01/31 Bh4 87.Kh2]
86...Bf5+ 87.Kh2 Bf4+ 88.Kg1 Be3+ 89.Kf1 Be4 90.Ke1 Bf4



91.Kd1 Bd3 -6.77/5
[⌓91...Kh7 -#12/26 92.Ke2 Kg6 93.Ke1 Kf5 94.Kf2 Kg4 95.Ke2 Kg3 96.Kd1 Kf3 97.Ke1 Bc2 98.Kf1 Bd2 99.Kg1 Kg3 100.Kh1 Bd3 101.Kg1 Be3+ 102.Kh1 Be4#]
92.Ke1 Be3 (-> ...Kh8) **93.Kd1 Bc2+?** 0.00/94



Quite a comeback for Black.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.37/ Black=0.40. Loss on time!?
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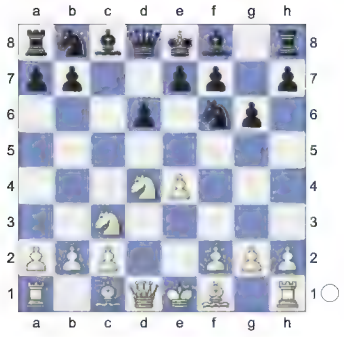
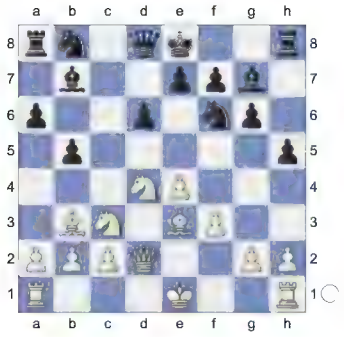
73 **B75**
□ **Kisstars** **2680**
■ **Chesselation94** **2769**
Blitz 14.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 a6 8.Qd2 h5 9.Bc4 b5 10.Bb3 Bb7



White is slightly better. **11.0-0-0 Nbd7 12.h3N**
[12.Rhe1 Rc8 13.Kb1 Ne5 14.Nf5 gxf5 15.exf5 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Bg5 Kf8 18.g4 Bxf3 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.Qxd5 hxg4 22.Re6 fxe6 23.fxe6 Qb6 24.Qf5 Kg7 25.h4 Qc5 26.Qd3 Rd4 Zagorovskyi,D-Budnikov,O (2393) Kiev 2023 0-1]
[12.Kb1 Rc8 13.h3 Ne5 14.Rhe1 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Nb3 Qc7 17.Bd4 0-0 18.e5 dxe5 19.Bxe5

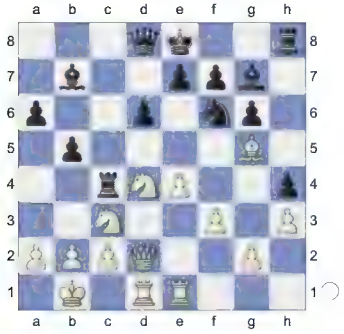
Ne4 20.Bxc7 Nxd2+ 21.Rxd2 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Rxc7 23.Kb2 Rfc8 24.Re3 Kg7 25.Na5 Ba8 26.a3 Kf6 Areshchenko,A (2720)-Jobava,B (2695) Warsaw POL 2013 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (48) 27.h4 e6 28.Rd6 g5 29.hxg5+ Kxg5 30.Rxa6 Kf4 31.Re2 h4 32.Rb6 h3 33.Rxb5 hxg2 34.Rxg2 Bxf3 35.Rb4+ Ke3 36.Rh2 e5 37.Nb3 f5 38.a4 Rxc3 39.a5 f4 40.a6 Be4 41.a7 R3c7 Areshchenko,A (2652)-Bluebaum,M (2620) Muelheim GER 2018 [John Watson] ½-½ (48)]

12...h4 0.42/18

[12...Qc7= 0.11/16]

13.Rhe1 Rc8 14.Kb1 Ne5 15.Bg5 Nc4

16.Bxc4 Rxc4



17.Nb3 0.15/19

[17.Ndxb5!± 0.61/18 axb5 *(17...Nh7 18.Bxe7)* 18.e5]

17...Qc7= 18.e5 -0.72/21

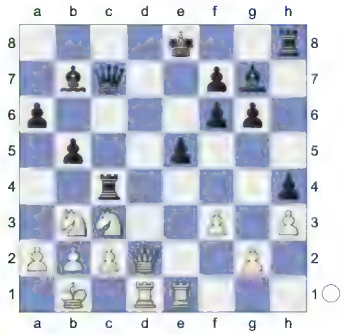
[18.Be3= 0.08/17]

18...dxe5∓ 19.Bxf6 -1.60/22

[19.Rxe5∓ -0.67/20 0-0 20.Re2]

19...Bxf6

[But not 19...exf6



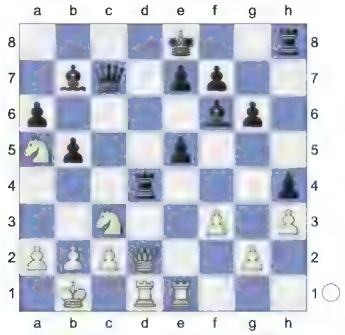
20.Na5!±]

20.Na5? -5.95/22

[20.a3∓ -1.45/19 is more resistant.]

20...Rd4

[Not 20...Qxa5 21.Qd7+ Kf8 22.Qxb7∓]



Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/ Black=0.05 (flawless)

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74 **B72**

□ **Massterofmayhem** **2680**

■ **Flamaster7** **2708**

Blitz 11.02.2025

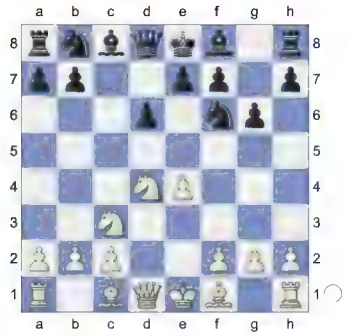
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4

Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



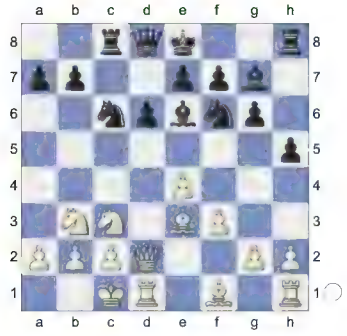
6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Against Ng4 **7...h5 8.Nb3**

[8.Qd2 Nxd4 9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Qxe3 Be6 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Rd4 a6 14.Ra4 Qd8 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qxe5 0-0 17.Rd4 Qb8 18.Qxb8 Raxb8 19.Bc4 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Rfc8 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Rd1 Kf8 Yoo,C (2603)-Dubov,D (2693) Chess, com INT 2024 1-0 (60)]

8...Bg7 The position is equal. **9.Qd2 Be6N**

[9...0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.f4 Ne4 14.Qb4 Ng3 15.Rg1 a5 16.Qa4 Nxf1 17.Rxf1 Qd7 18.Qxd7 Nxd7 19.0-0-0 a4 20.Nd4 Ra5 21.Ne2 Rb5 22.Bd4 Rxd5 23.Bxg7 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Adireddy,A (2301)-Manik,M (2338) Chennai IND 2024 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (68)]

10.0-0-0 Rc8



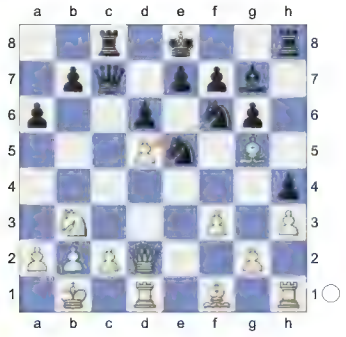
11.Kb1 a6 12.h3 h4 0.70/16

[12...b5= 0.21/17]

13.Nd5 0.25/20

[13.Qf2± 0.70/16]

13...Bxd5= 14.exd5 Ne5 15.Bg5 Qc7



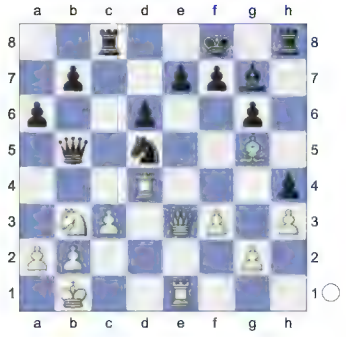
16.c3

[16.c4!?]

16...Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Qe3 Kf8 19.Rd4 Qb5 20.Re1 -0.98/19

[20.c4= 0.01/20 keeps the balance. Qd7 21.Qd3]

20...Nxd5∓



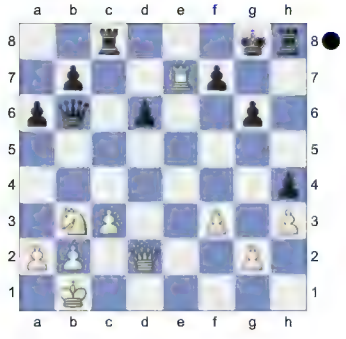
21.Bxe7+ Kg8 22.Qd2 Bxd4 23.Nxd4 Qb6 -0.63/21

[23...Qd7∓ -1.13/21 24.Bg5 Re8]

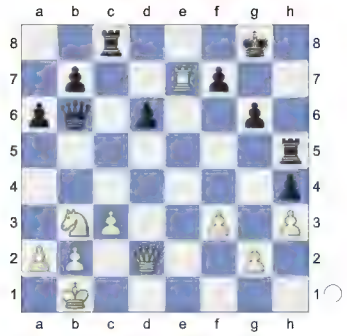
24.Nb3 -1.47/24

[24.Ka1∓ -0.63/21]

24...Nxe7 25.Rxe7



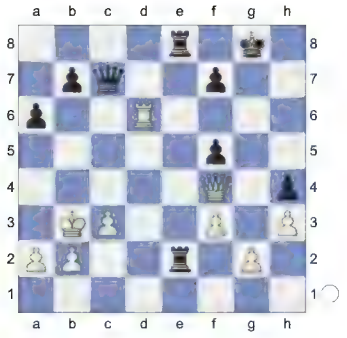
Rh5!



26.Nd4 -2.37/20
[26.f4∓ -1.44/20 keeps fighting.]
26...Re5-+ 27.Rd7 Rce8 -1.23/21
[Black should play 27...Qc5-+ -2.30/21 Hoping for ...Qc4. 28.Rxb7 Rce8]
28.Qf4∓ R5e7 29.Rxd6 -2.72/24
[29.Rxe7∓ -1.20/22 Rxe7 30.Qxh4]
29...Qc7 30.Nf5 Re1+
[30...gxf5 31.Qg5+ Kf8 32.Qh6+ Kg8 33.Qg5+ Kf8 34.Qh6+ Kg8 35.Qg5+=]

31.Kc2 R1e2+ 32.Kb3 Rxg6+! is the strong threat. **32...R2e5?** -0.01/24 The board is on fire.
[And not 32...gxf5

(Diagram)

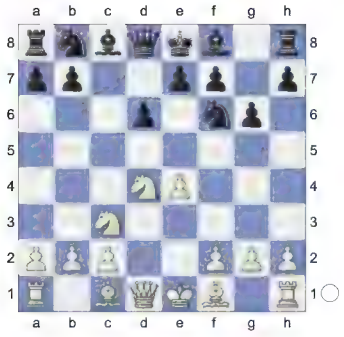


33.Rg6+! fxg6 34.Qxc7=]
[Better is 32...R8e5-+ -2.49/24 Threatens to win with ...Rb5+. 33.Nh6+ Kh7 34.Qxf7+ Qxf7+ 35.Nxf7 Rb5+ 36.Kc4 Re7]
33.Qh6? -8.03/23 **Rb5+** -3.61/5
[Inferior is 33...gxf5 34.Qg5+ Kf8 35.Qh6+ Kg8 36.Qg5+ Kf8 37.Qh6+ Kg8=]
[⌓33...Rxf5 -8.03/23 34.Qd2 Rb5+ 35.Kc2 Rbe5]
34.Kc2-+ Rxf5
[Stronger than 34...gxf5 35.Qg5+ Kf8 36.Qh6+ Kg8 37.Qg5+ Kf8 38.Qh6+ Kg8=]

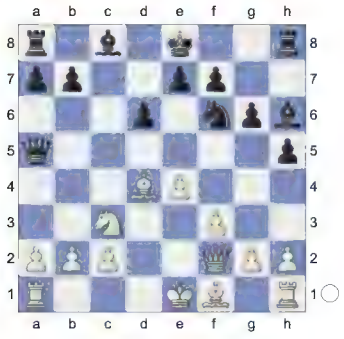
Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/ Black=0.43
0-1

75 **B72**
□ **Miki Train** **2678**
■ **Ggangbuvip** **2700**
Blitz 06.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

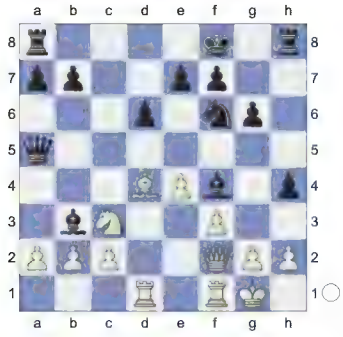
Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



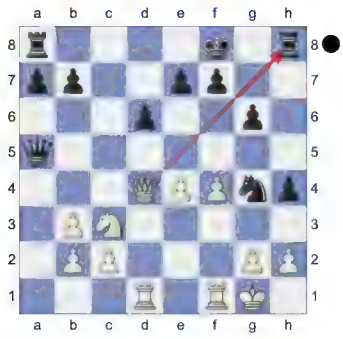
6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Against Ng4 **7...h5 8.Qd2 Nxd4** White is slightly better. **9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Qf2 Qa5**



11.Bb5+ Kf8!
[Don't play 11...Bd7 12.Bxd7+ Kxd7 13.Rd1±]
12.0-0 Be6N 0.67/17
[12...e5= 0.03/19 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Qxe3 Be6 15.f4 *(15.Ba4 Qc5 16.Qf2 Rc8 17.Bb3 Ke7 18.Rad1 a6 19.Na4 Qxf2+ 20.Rxf2 b5 21.Nc3 Rc6 22.Rdd2 Rd8 23.Rfe2 Rc5 24.Nd1 a5 25.Nf2 Rc7 26.h4 Nd7 27.Nd1 Nb6 28.Ne3 Rc5 29.c3 a4* Braeuer,F (2443)-Stocek,J (2559) Germany GER 2023 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (56)*; 15.Kh1 a6 16.Be2 Qc5 17.Qd2 Kg7 18.Rad1 Rac8 19.Qg5 Nh7 20.Qg3 b5 21.Rd2 Nf6 22.Rfd1 h4 23.Qe1 b4 24.Na4 Qc6 25.b3 a5 26.Nb2 h3 27.Bf1 hxg2+ 28.Bxg2 Nh5 29.Nd3 Qc3* Golis,W (1848)-Gibala,A (1742) Bydgoszcz 2023 0-1 (63)*; 15.Be2 Rc8 16.f4 Qb4 17.fxe5 Qxb2 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Rxc2 20.Rab1 Rxe2 21.Rxb2 Rxe3 22.exf6 b6* 1) Dragon's Wing: 8.Qd2 / 9.B-The Normal 10.Qf2: 11.Bb5+ #1*)* 15...Ng4 16.Qd2 Qb6+ 17.Kh1 exf4 18.Rxf4 Kg7 1) Dragon's Wing: 8.Qd2 / 9.B-The Normal 10.Qf2: 11.Bb5+ #9]
13.Ba4 Bf4 14.Bb3 h4 15.Rad1 Bxb3



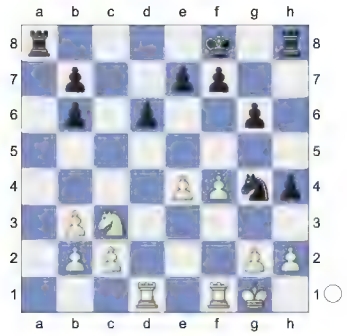
16.axb3 Be5 17.f4 0.26/22
[17.h3± 0.60/19]
17...Ng4 0.69/20 **18.Qd2 Bxd4+ 19.Qxd4**



Qb6 20.Qxb6 0.29/18
[20.h3± 0.65/20 might be stronger.

Qxd4+ 21.Rxd4]

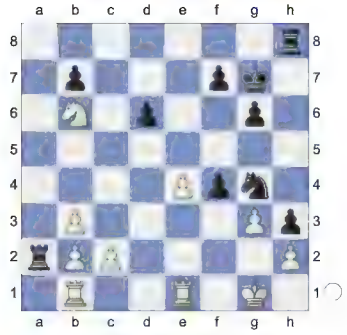
20...axb6=



21.Rfe1 Against Ne3 **21...h3 22.g3** -0.33/21

[22.Nd5= 0.01/19]

22...Kg7∓ 23.Nd5 Ra2 24.Rb1 e5 25.Nxb6 exf4



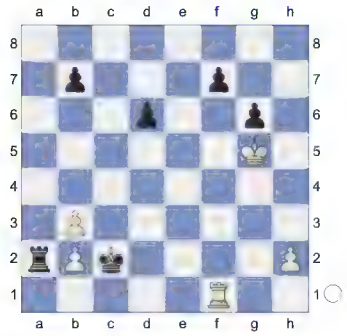
26.gxf4 Rh4! 27.Nd5 Nf6 28.Nxf6 Kxf6 Endgame KRR-KRR **29.Kf2 Rxf4+ 30.Kg3 Ke5**

31.Kxh3 Rxe4 32.Rxe4+ Kxe4 KR-KR **33.Kg4** -0.95/22

[33.Re1+∓ -0.55/22 should be considered. Kd5 34.Rb1]

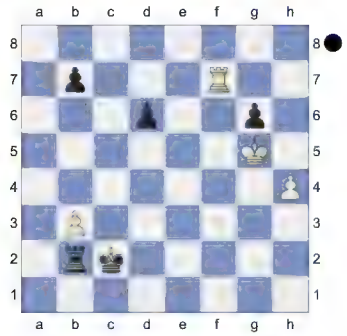
33...Ke3∓ 34.Kg5 Kd2 35.Rf1 Kxc2 -0.01/23

[35...Ra5+∓ -0.84/23 36.Kg4 Kxc2]

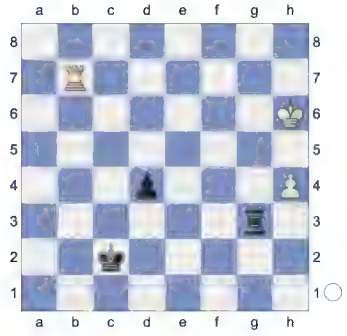


36.Rxf7= The position is equal.

36...Rxb2 37.h4



Black must now prevent Rf2+. **37...Rxb3 38.Kxg6 Rg3+ 39.Kh6 d5** ...b5 is the strong threat. **40.Rxb7 d4**

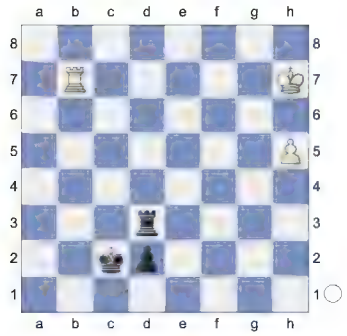


41.h5 d3 42.Rd7 d2 And now ...Kc3 would win. **43.Kh7**

[43.Rxd2+ Kxd2 44.Kh7 Ke3 45.h6 Kf4 46.Kh8 Kg5 47.h7 Kg6 48.Kg8 Re3 49.Kf8 *(49.h8N+* is a self mate. *Kf6 50.Kf8 Re7)* 49...Kxh7 50.Kf7 Kh6 51.Kf6 Kh5 52.Kf5 Re8 53.Kf6 Kg4 54.Kf7 Re3 55.Kf6 Re2 56.Kg7 Kf5 57.Kf7 Kg5 58.Kg7 Rf2 59.Kh8

Kh6 60.Kg8 Kg6 61.Kh8 Rf8#]

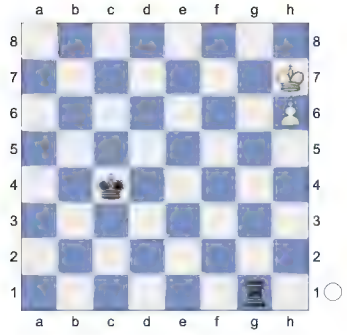
43...Rd3 44.Rc7+ Kb2 45.Rb7+ Kc2



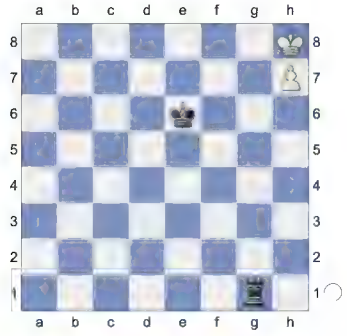
46.Rc7+ Kb3 47.Rb7+ Kc4

[47...Kc3!? 48.Rb1 Kc2=]

48.Rb1 d1Q 49.Rxd1 Rxd1 50.h6 Rg1



51.Kh8 Kd5 52.h7 Ke6



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76 **B75**

□ **Maybenotit** **2677**

■ **Chesselation94** **2767**

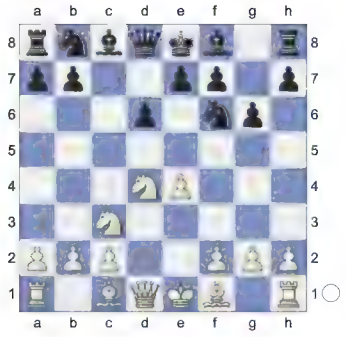
Blitz 15.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

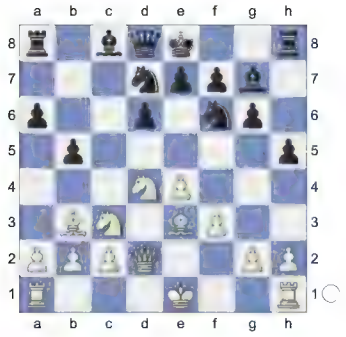
Blitz 3min

B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 a6 8.Qd2 h5 9.Bc4 b5 10.Bb3 Nbd7



White has an edge. **11.Nd5**

[11.a4 bxa4 12.Bxa4 Bb7 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Nde2 0-0 15.Bh6 Nc5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Kh1 Qb6 18.b3 Rfd8 19.Rfd1 Qc7 20.Qd4 e5 21.Qe3 d5 22.exd5 Nxd5 23.Nxd5 Rxd5 24.Rxd5 Bxd5 25.c4 Be6 Ehlvest,J (2660)-Svidler,P (2630) Erevan 1996 CBM 53 [Dautov] 0-1 (48)]

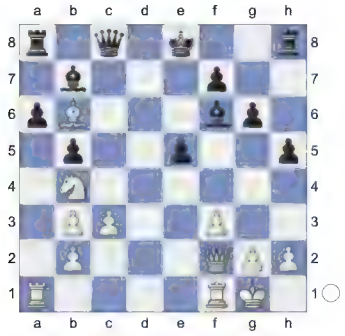
[11.Nc6 Qc7 12.Nxe7 Kxe7 13.Nd5+ Nxd5 14.Qxd5 Ne5

15.Qxa8 Nc6 16.Bg5+ f6 17.Bf4 Bb7 18.Qxh8 Bxh8 19.0-0-0 Ne5 20.Bd5 g5 21.Bg3 Bc8 22.h4 g4 23.f4 Nd7 24.Rhe1 a5 25.Kb1 Bg7 Adarsh,T (2304)-Alexakis,D (2443) Piraeus GRE 2024 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (37)]

Hoping for Nc6. **11...Bb7** Prevents Nc6.
12.0-0N
[12.c3 Nc5 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Bc2 Bg7 15.0-0 0-0 16.Rad1 Qc7 17.Nb3 Na4 18.Bb1 Rfd8 19.Qc1 Rac8 20.Kh1 d5 21.exd5 Bxd5 22.Rf2 Be5 23.f4 Bf6 24.f5 Kg7 25.Nd4 b4 26.fxg6 fxg6 Zito,E (1780)-Kosak,K (1596) Eindhoven 2023 1-0 (35)]
[12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.Kb1 Ne5 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Ne2 a5 16.Bd4 e6 17.a4 bxa4 18.Bxa4+ Ke7 19.b3 Qc7 20.Bc3 Ra8 21.Nd4 Ra6 22.Nb5 Qc5 23.Bxa5 Rha8 24.Bb4 Nc4 25.Bxc5 Nxd2+ 26.Rxd2 dxc5 Molina,S (1781)-Blandon,L (2251) Medellin 2023 0-1 (34) 27.c4 Bc6 28.Rhd1 Be5 29.g3 h4 30.gxh4 Rh8 31.Kc2 Rxh4 32.Rh1 Rh3 33.Rf2 Rxf3 34.Rxf3 Bxe4+ 0-1 (34) Royset, P (1781)-9.d4 Bb6 10.a5!? (2251) Luxembourg 2023 TD 94\02 [John Watson]]
12...Nc5 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.c3 e5 0.59/21
[14...d5= -0.04/17]
15.Nc2± Nxb3

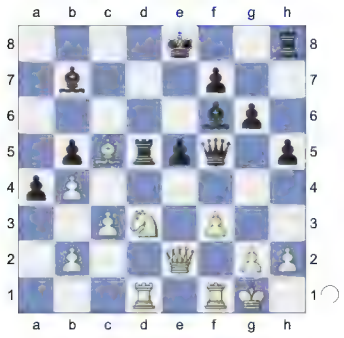
16.axb3 d5 1.15/20
[16...0-0± 0.66/19]
17.Qf2 0.48/18 &Bianco is more active.
[17.Rad1± 1.15/20]
17...Qc7 1.16/19
[17...Bh4± 0.48/18 18.g3 Be7]
18.exd5 0.80/18
[⌓18.Rad1 1.16/19]
18...Bxd5±

19.Nb4! Bb7 20.Bb6 Qc8

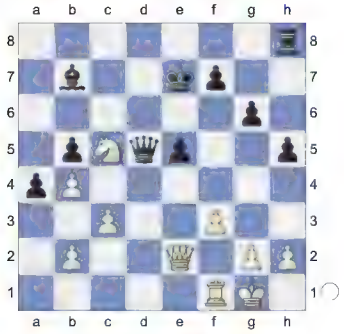


21.Bc5 a5 1.33/20
[21...Qe6± 0.63/18]
22.Nd3 Qf5 23.Rad1 Rd8 Prevents Bd6. **24.Qe2** Strongly threatening Nf2.

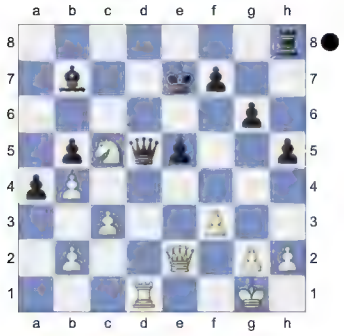
24...Rd5 1.62/21
[24...Be7± 1.26/20 keeps fighting.]
25.b4 a4? 3.20/22
[25...axb4± 1.33/20 26.Rfe1 Bc6]



Loses the game. **26.Nf2+- Qd7 27.Ne4 Be7 28.Bxe7 Kxe7 29.Nc5 Qc6** 9.73/22
[29...Qc7 1.99/22 30.Nxb7 *(30.Qxb5 Bc6+-)* 30...Qxb7]
30.Rxd5 Qxd5



31.Rd1



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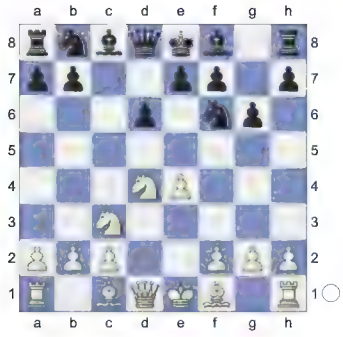
77 **B72**
□ **Godfroi** **2676**
■ **Mrwabisabi** **2688**
Blitz 28.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

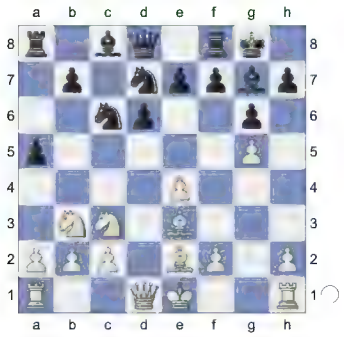
Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be2 Bg7 7.Be3 Nc6 8.Nb3 0-0 9.g4 -0.29/19
[9.Qd2 0.14/16 feels stronger.]
9...a5N aiming for ...a4.
[9...Be6 10.g5 Nh5 *(10...Nd7 11.h4 Nb6 12.f4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Bxc4 14.Qf3 Nb4 15.Rh2 Qc7 16.Bd4 Bxd4 17.Nxd4 e5 18.Nb3 f5 19.gxf6 Rxf6 20.f5 gxf5 21.exf5 Raf8 22.0-0-0 Rxf5 23.Qe3 b5 24.a3 Nc6 25.Nd2* 7.♗d2 e6 8.♕e2 ♗b4 9.î€,e (2585)-Nimzo-Indian 4 Qc2 d5 (2588) corr 2015 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (34)) 11.f4 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Ng7 13.0-0 Rc8 14.c4 f5 15.gxf6 exf6 16.Qd3 f5 17.Rad1 fxe4 18.Qxe4 Qh4 4. – Contra Ae2 sin enroque-6.Ae2 Ag7 7.Ae3 O-O #10]
[9...Nd7 10.h4 Nb6 11.h5 Be6 12.f4 d5 13.e5 Nc4 14.Bc1 d4 15.Ne4 Bd5 16.Bd3 a5 17.Qe2 b5 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Rxh7 Kxh7

20.Ng5+ Kg8 21.Qh2 Rf6 22.Nc5 Qc8 23.Be4 Bxe4 24.Qh7+ Zhdanov,I-Vilerts,J Riga 1974 1-0 (32)]

10.g5 Nd7



11.a4 Nb4 The position is equal. **12.h4 b6** 0.30/18

[⌓12...Nc5 -0.03/17]

13.h5= Bb7 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Bd4 -0.66/18

[15.Rh4= -0.01/19]

15...e5 -0.01/18

[15...Bxd4!∓ -0.66/18 16.Nxd4 Nc5]

16.Be3 Nc5 0.64/18

[16...Rc8= -0.01/18]

17.Nxc5!± dxc5 18.Bc4 Qxd1+ 19.Kxd1 Rfd8+ 20.Kc1 Bc8 1.41/21

[20...Rd4!± 0.69/21 21.Bxd4 exd4]

(Diagram)

21.f3 Be6 1.83/20

[21...Ra7± 1.28/19]

22.Bb5? 0.13/21

[22.Bxe6+- 1.83/20 fxe6 23.Nb1]

22...Rd6 0.67/19

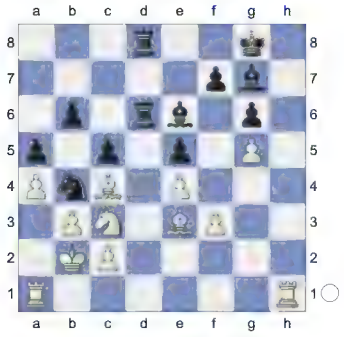
[22...Rac8= 0.13/21]

23.b3! Rad8 24.Kb2 Bd7 1.85/24

[24...f5± 0.94/19 was called for.]

25.Bc4 Be6 2.04/22

[25...Bc8± 1.50/23 was worth a try. 26.Nb5 R6d7]

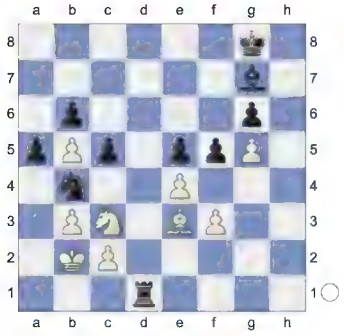


26.Bb5? -0.01/17

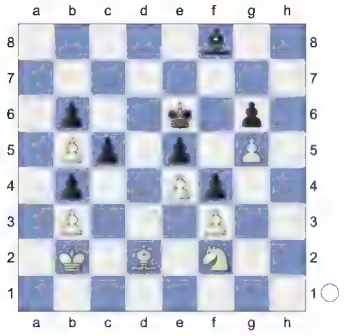
[White should play 26.Nb5+- 2.04/22]

26...Bd7!= 27.Rad1 Bxb5 2.30/23

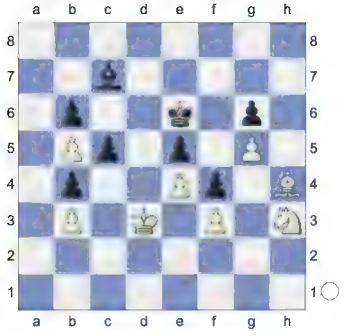
[27...Be6± 1.27/21]
28.Rxd6 Rxd6 29.axb5
[Not 29.Nxb5 Rd7 30.Na3 Nc6±]
29...f5 30.Rd1 Rxd1



31.Nxd1+- Endgame KBN-KBN **31...Kf7**
32.Nf2 Ke6 33.c3 f4 6.65/28
[⌓33...Bf8 4.03/24 34.cxb4 axb4]
34.Bd2 Bf8 35.cxb4 axb4

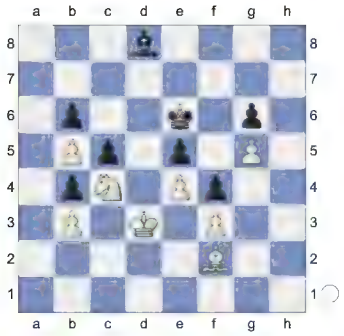


36.Kc2 Be7 37.Nh3 Bd8 38.Kd3 Bc7 39.Be1 Bd6 40.Bh4 Bc7

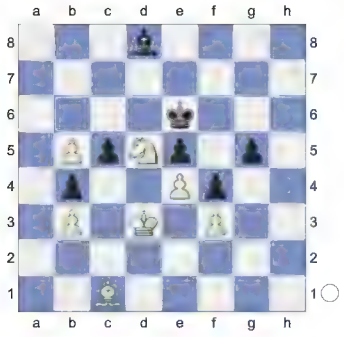


41.Nf2 Bd6 42.Nd1 Bc7 43.Nb2 Bd8 44.Nc4 Bc7 45.Bf2 Bd8

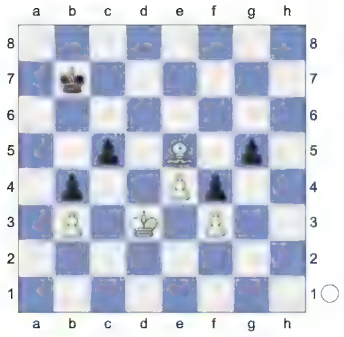
(Diagram)



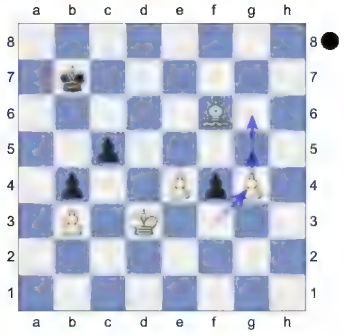
46.Be1 Bc7 47.Bd2 Bd8 48.Bc1 Bxg5 49.Nxb6 Bd8 50.Nd5 g5



51.b6 Kd6 52.b7 Bc7 53.Bb2 Kc6 54.Nxc7 Kxc7 55.Bxe5+ Kxb7

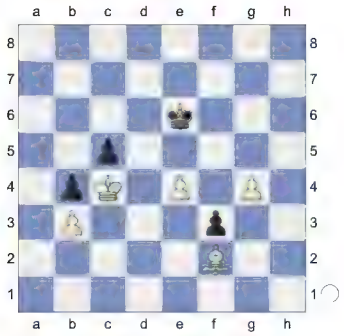


KB-KP **56.Bf6 g4 57.fxg4**

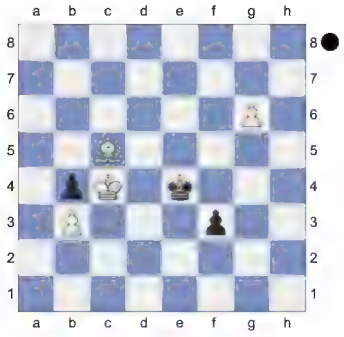


g5 would kill now. KB-K3P **57...Kc6**
58.Kc4 White mates. **58...f3 59.Bh4**

Kd6 60.Bf2 Ke6



61.g5 Ke5 62.Bxc5 Kxe4 63.g6



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78 **B76**

□ **Mila2010** **2675**

■ **Chesselation94** **2746**

Blitz 13.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

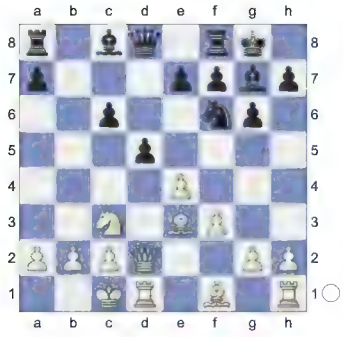
Blitz 3min

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.Nxc6 bxc6



11.Bc4 e6 12.Bb3

[12.exd5 cxd5 13.Bb3 Bd7=]

12...Nd7N 0.84/18

[12...Qc7= 0.23/14]

[12...Bb7 13.Na4 Nd7 14.h4 Qe7 15.Qa5 Rfc8 16.Nc5 d4 17.Nxd7 dxe3 18.Qc5 Qxc5 19.Nxc5 Rab8 20.g3 Ba8 21.Rhe1 Rb5 22.Nd3 c5 23.Bc4 Ra5 24.Rxe3 Ra4 25.Bb3 Ra5 26.c4 Bc6 27.Re2 lbd7 (2668)-Mercado Florez,D (2673) Sochi RUS 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (38) Rb8 28.Ne1 f5 29.exf5 exf5 30.Rd6 Be8 31.Nd3 Bf8 32.Rde6 Bf7 33.Rc6 Rd8 34.Nf4 Bh6 35.Kc2 Bxf4 36.gxf4 Rd4 37.Rc7 Bxc4 38.Re8# 1-0 (38) Bd7 (2668)-Mercado Florez,D (2673) Sochi RUS 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z]]

[12...a5 13.Na4 Nd7 14.h4 Ba6 15.h5 Bb5 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Bh6 Qf6 18.Bxg7 Qxg7 19.exd5 exd5

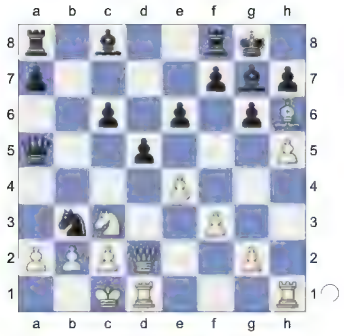
20.Bxd5+ Kh8 21.Bb3 Ne5 22.Nc5 Bc4 23.Qc3 Bxb3 24.axb3 Qf6 25.Ne4 Qf4+ 26.Kb1 Rad8 27.Rde1 Nimay,A (1995)-Safarullakhan,S (2075) Chess.com INT 2025 1-0 (37)]

13.h4± Qa5 14.h5 White is better.

14...Nc5 15.Bh6

[15.exd5?! Nxb3+ 16.cxb3 cxd5±]

15...Nxb3+



16.cxb3 Qc7 17.Bxg7

[17.exd5 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 exd5±]

17...Kxg7 18.hxg6 0.96/19

[18.exd5 cxd5 19.Kb1 *(19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Kb1 Kg8±)* 19...Kg8±]

[⌓18.Kb1 1.28/17]

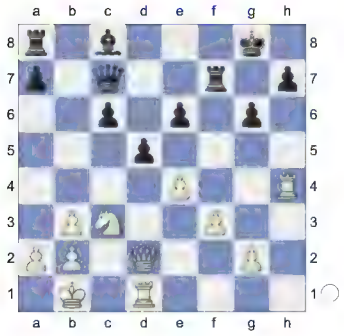
18...fxg6 19.Kb1

[Resist 19.exd5 cxd5 20.Kb1 Qf4±]

19...Kg8 20.Rh4 0.68/18

[20.Rhe1± 1.08/16]

20...Rf7



21.Rdh1 0.58/17

[Better is 21.Na4± 0.94/18]

21...e5 1.85/21

[21...Ba6± 0.58/17]

22.exd5+- Bf5+ 23.Ka1! Hoping for g4.

23...Rd8 24.g4 Be6 25.Qg5? -0.01/22

[White must play 25.Ne4+- 2.73/22 Bxd5 26.Rxh7!! Rxh7 27.Nf6+ Kf8 28.Nxh7+ *(28.Rxh7 Bf7±)* 28...Kf7 29.Qh6]

25...cxd5 0.41/21

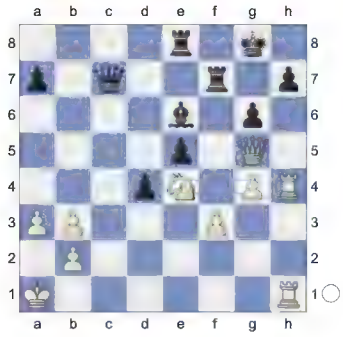
[25...Bxd5= -0.01/22 26.Ne4 Bxe4 27.fxe4 Rd4]

26.a3 -0.44/19

[White should try 26.Nb5!± 0.41/21 Qb6 27.Qxe5!]

26...Rdf8 0.53/22

[26...d4? 27.Ne4 Re8



28.Qxg6+!! Kf8 29.Qh6+ Rg7 30.Nf6+-]

[26...Bc8!∓ -0.44/19]

27.f4? -2.12/21

[27.Rh6± 0.53/22 keeps the upper hand.]

27...exf4 Strongly threatening ...Qd7.

28.Ne2? -4.47/22

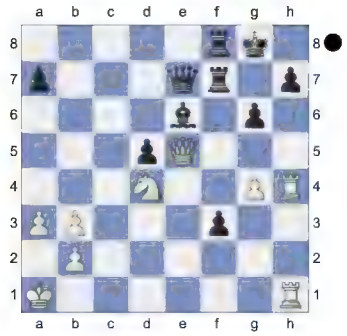
[28.Nxd5∓ -1.45/20 Bxd5 29.Qxd5]

28...Qe7 29.Qe5 -5.86/22

[29.Qxe7 -2.89/20 only move. Rxe7

30.g5]

29...f3 30.Nd4



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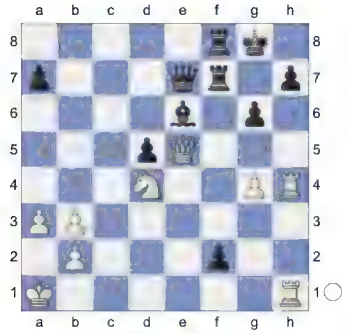

31.Nxe6 f1Q+ 32.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 33.Ka2 Re8

[Don't blunder 33...R1f6? 34.Rxh7 Qxh7 35.Nxf8 Rxf8 36.Qxd5+ Qf7 37.Qd6-+]

34.Qh2 -8.55/20

[⌓34.Qc7 -4.10/21]

34...Qxe6-+ 35.Rxh7 Qf6 -3.65/20

[⌓35...Qe1 -8.59/24 36.Rh8+ Kf7 37.Qh7+ Kf6 38.g5+ Kxg5 39.Qh6+ Kf6 40.Qh4+ Qxh4 41.Rxh4 Rd8]

36.Qh6? -#12/19

[36.Rxa7-+ -3.65/20 g5 37.Qd2]

36...Rf2 -12.82/23

[⌓36...Re2 -#12/19 37.Rh8+ Qxh8 38.Qxg6+ Qg7 39.Qxg7+ Kxg7 40.b4 d4 41.b5 d3 42.Kb3 d2 43.Kb4 d1Q 44.Ka5 Qd4 45.b3 Rf3 46.g5 Re4 47.b4 Rxa3#]

37.Rb7

Weighted Error Value: White=1.25/ Black=0.86

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79 **B77**

□ **Kovalenko,Igor** **2674**

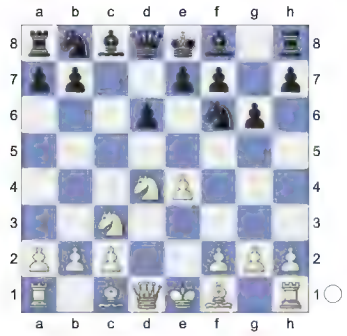
■ **Hleba,Gennadiy** **0**

GM Igor Kovalenko charity simul

[Kitty Kat]

B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines

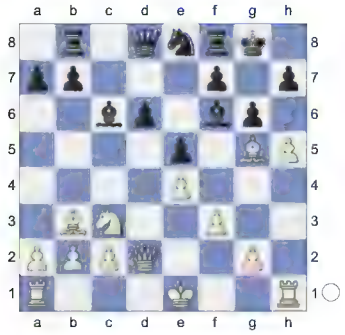
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



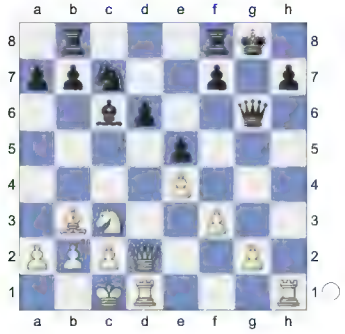
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4

Bd7 10.h4 Rb8 0.52/18
[10...Ne5= 0.06/17 11.Bb3 Qa5]
[10...Rc8 11.Bb3 h5 12.0-0-0 Na5 13.Bg5 Rc5 14.Kb1 b5 15.Rhe1 Re8 16.e5 b4 17.exf6 bxc3 18.Qf4 exf6 19.Qxd6 Nb7 20.Qf4 fxg5 21.Qxf7+ Kh7 22.Ne6 Bxe6 23.Bxe6 Re5 24.Rh1 Qe7 25.Qxe7 Friedel,J (2436)-Jones,G (2447) World U-18 boys 2004 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (38)]

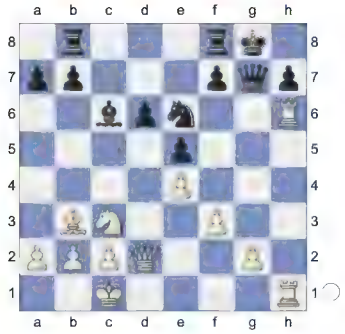
11.Bb3±
[11.h5 b5 12.Bb3 Nxh5 13.g4 Ng3 14.Rh3 b4 15.Nd5 e6 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Nxb4 Rxb4 18.Qxb4 Bxb2 19.Rd1 Qf6 20.Qxd6 Be5 21.Qd3 Qxf3 22.Bf2 Bc3+ 23.Rd2 Bxd2+ 24.Qxd2 Qxe4+ 25.Be3 Qxg4 Cengija,V (2263)-Atalik,S (2550) Novi Sad 2014 CBM 163 [Atalik,Suat] 0-1]
11...e6N 1.04/18
[11...Na5± 0.42/17 12.Bh6 *(12.h5 Nxb3 13.Nxb3 a5 14.a4 Qc7 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 d5 17.0-0-0 dxe4 18.hxg6 Rbc8 19.Nd4 Qg3 20.Nd5* 1-0 (20) Zivkovic,S (2321)-Vucinic,G (2146) Obrenovac SRB 2011 [Robert Ris]*)* 12...Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b5 14.h5 Sotelo,J (2140)-Campos Jimenez,A (1996) Havana 2011 CI1-130 [Solovjov,Sergey]]
12.Nxc6± &Bianco is more active.
12...Bxc6 White is better. **13.Bf4** 0.56/18
[Better is 13.0-0-0± 1.08/18]
13...Ne8 1.33/19
[13...Qb6± 0.56/18]
14.h5 e5 2.42/21
[14...Qe7± 1.37/19 15.0-0-0 Rd8]
15.Bg5 Bf6



16.Bxf6 Qxf6 17.hxg6 Qxg6 2.94/20
[⌓17...hxg6 1.90/21 18.0-0-0 *(18.Qh6 Qg7+-)* 18...Nc7]
18.0-0-0+- Nc7? 5.98/25
[18...Kg7 2.70/21 19.Rh4 Nf6]

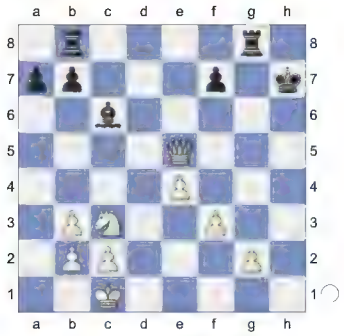


19.Rh6 White is clearly winning.
19...Qg7 20.Rdh1 Ne6

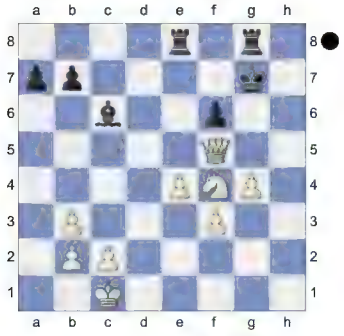


21.Rxh7 Qxh7 22.Rxh7 Kxh7
23.Qxd6 Nd4 24.Qxe5 Nxb3+

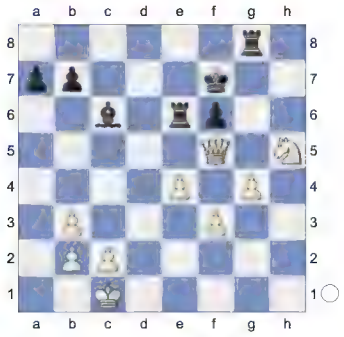
25.axb3 Rg8



26.g4 Rbe8 27.Qf5+ Kg7 28.Ne2 f6 29.Nf4

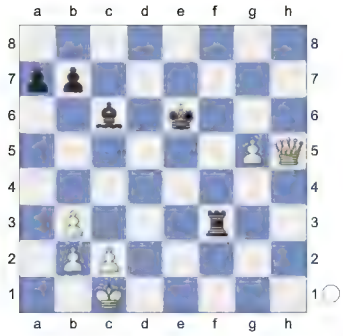


Qg6+ would kill now. **29...Kf7** Against Qg6+ **30.Nh5 Re6**

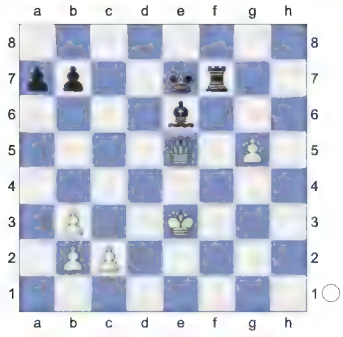


31.e5 Rg6 32.Nxf6 Rexf6 33.exf6 Rxf6 Endgame KQ-KRB **34.Qh5+ Ke6 35.g5 Rxf3**

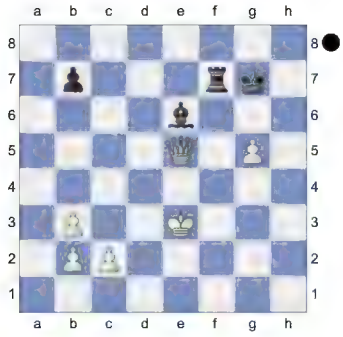
(Diagram)



36.Qh6+ Ke7 37.Kd2 Rf8 38.Ke3 Bd5 39.Qg7+ Rf7 40.Qe5+ Be6



41.Qc5+ Ke8 42.Qxa7 Kf8 43.Qb8+ Kg7 44.Qe5+



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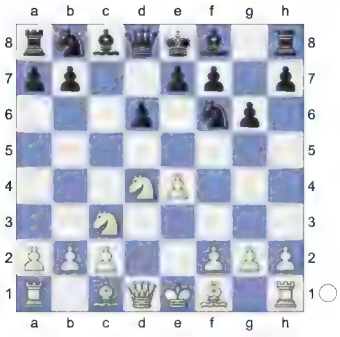
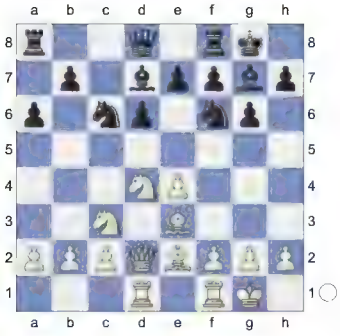
80 **B72**
□ **Cheng** **2672**
■ **Arasanx** **3016**
Rapid 05.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

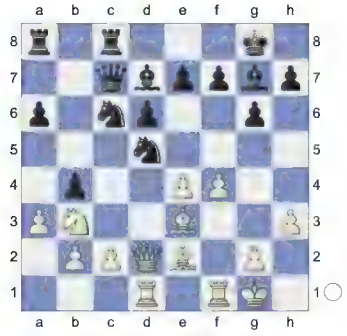
Blitz 10min+3sec
B73: Sicilian Dragon: Classical System without 9 Nb3
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



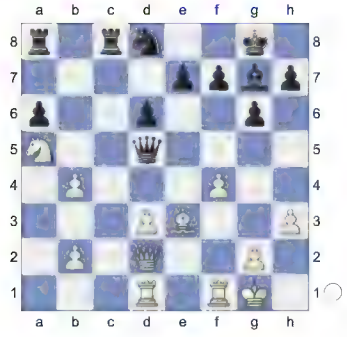
6.Be2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Be3 a6 9.Qd2 Nc6 10.Rad1 Bd7



11.h3 b5 12.a3 Qc7N
[12...Rb8 13.f4 Qc7 14.Nb3 Be6 15.Bf3 Bc4 16.Rfe1 Bxb3 17.cxb3 Rfd8 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Na7 20.Rc1 Qb7 21.Qf2 Ra8 22.Kh2 a5 23.Bb6 Rdb8 24.Bxa5 Nc8 25.Bc7 Nb6 26.Bxb8 Rxb8 27.Rc6 6.h3 e6 7.g4 d5 (2494)-Jaeel,A (2262) Antalya 90/(24) 2022 Telechess CBM 104 [John Watson] 1-0 (38) Nd7 28.Rxe7 Bf6 29.Re2 Kg7 30.b4 Rc8 31.Rec2 Rd8 32.Rc7 Qb8 33.Qa7 Qxa7 34.Rxa7 Nb6 35.b3 Nc8 36.Ra8 Nb6 37.Rxd8 Bxd8 38.Rc6 1-0 (38) Sahidi,S (2494)-Krzywda,A (2262) Katowice 2022]
13.f4 The position is equal. **13...Rfc8**
14.Nb3 b4 15.Nd5 -0.36/20
[15.axb4= -0.01/19 Nxb4 16.Kh1]
15...Nxd5!∓
[Resist 15...Nxe4 16.Qd3 Qb7 17.Qxe4±]



16.exd5 Nd8 17.Bd3 Bb5! 18.axb4 next Bxb5 is good for White. **18...Bxd3**
19.cxd3
[19.Qxd3 with more complications. Qxc2 20.Nc5 Qxb2 21.Rb1]
19...Qb7 0.01/19
[19...Rcb8∓ -0.33/21]
20.Na5= Qxd5



21.Nc4 Rcb8 22.Nb6

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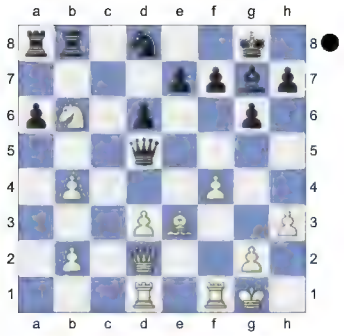
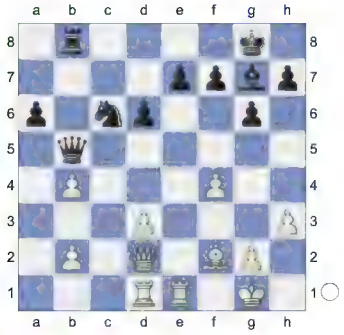


Rxb6 23.Bxb6 Nc6 24.Bf2 Rb8 25.Rfe1 Qb5 0.01/19

[25...Bf6∓ -0.39/21 should be considered.]



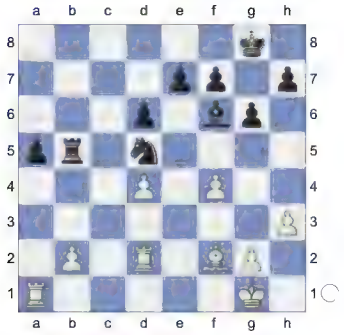
26.d4 Bf6 27.Qd3 -0.35/21

[27.d5!= 0.01/21 Nxb4 28.Re4]

27...Nxb4∓

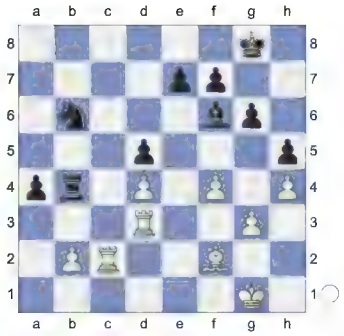
[27...Qd5 feels hotter. 28.Qxa6 Rxb4 29.Rd2 Kg7]

28.Qxb5 Rxb5 29.Rd2 a5 Black has compensation. **30.Ra1 Nd5**

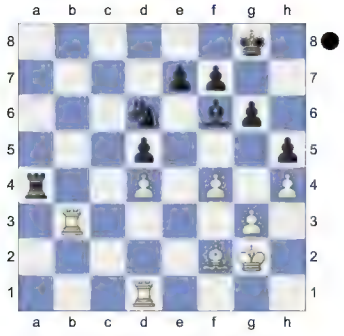


31.g3! h5 32.h4! Nb6 33.Rc2 Against Nc4 **33...a4 34.Ra3 Rb4 35.Rd3 d5**

(Diagram)

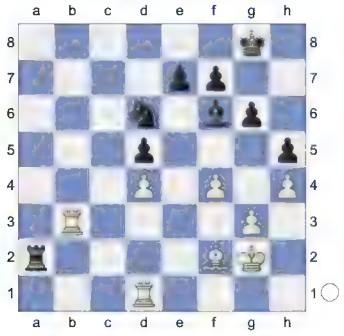


36.b3 Against Nc4 **36...axb3 37.Rb2 Ra4 38.Rbxb3 Nc4 39.Rd1 Nd6 40.Kg2**



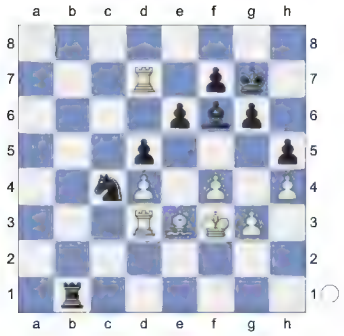
Ra2 -0.26/20

[40...Nf5!∓ -0.76/24]

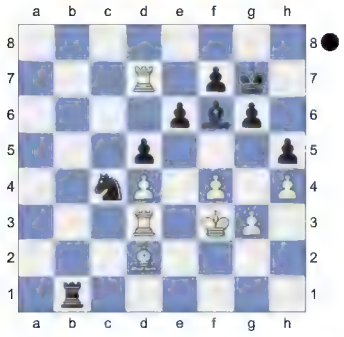


41.Kf3= Nc4 42.Be3 Against Nd2+ **42...Kg7 43.Rdd3 Ra1 44.Rb7 e6 45.Rd7 Rb1**

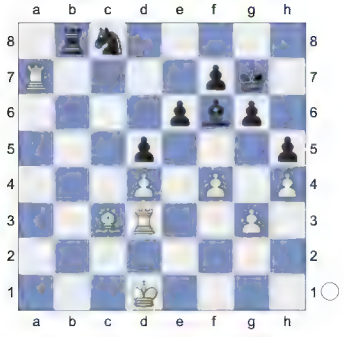
(Diagram)



46.Bd2

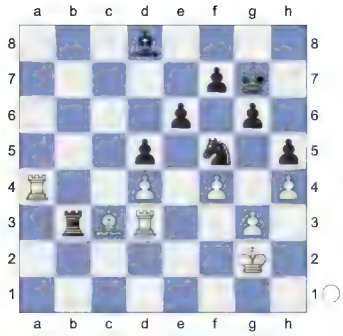


Rb3! 47.Ke2 Rb2 48.Kd1 Rb8
[Don't play 48...Rxd2+ 49.Rxd2 Nxd2 50.Kxd2=]
49.Bc3 Nb6↑ Black has good play.
50.Ra7 Nc8

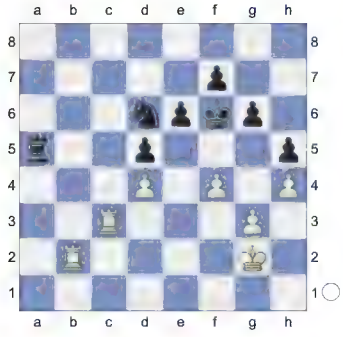


51.Ra6 Ne7 52.Ke2 Nf5 53.Kf3 Rb1
Threatens to win with ...Rg1. **54.Kg2**
Prevents Rg1+. **54...Rb3 55.Ra4 Bd8**

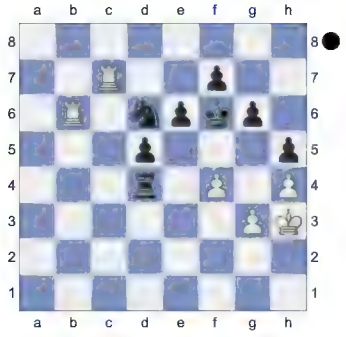
(Diagram)



&Nero is more active. **56.Ra2** -0.92/19
[56.Kf2∓ -0.61/22]
56...Nd6 57.Rb2 Ra3 58.Rf3 Ba5
59.Bxa5 Rxa5∓ Endgame KRR-KRN
60.Rc3 Kf6



61.Rbb3 Ra2+ 62.Kh3 Ra4 63.Rc7
-1.32/22
[⌓63.Ra3 -0.93/23 Rxd4 64.Rc6]
63...Rxd4 64.Rb6



Nf5! 65.Rcb7 Ne3

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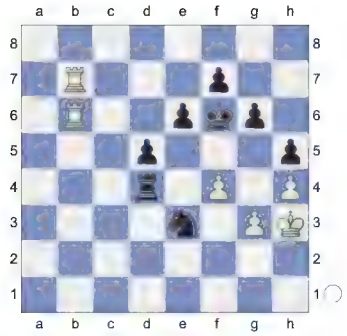
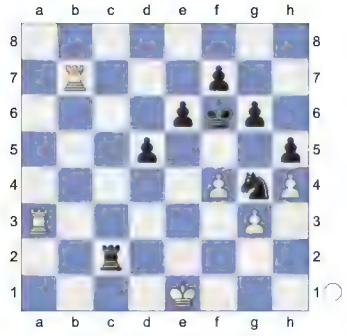
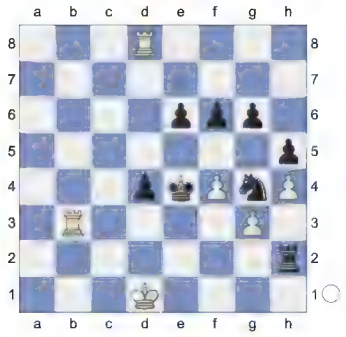


66.Rb3 Re4 67.Ra3 Hoping for Raa7. **67...Ng4 68.Kg2 Re2+ 69.Kf1 Rf2+ 70.Ke1 Rc2**

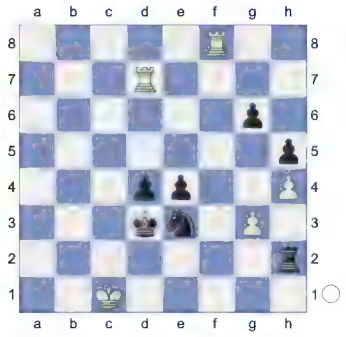


71.Kd1 Rh2 72.Ke1 -2.06/23
[72.Rc7∓ -1.55/22 is a better defense.]
72...Nh6-+ 73.Ra8 Rh3 74.Rb3 -2.06/21
[74.Kf2∓ -1.50/22 Rh2+ 75.Kg1]
74...Kf5 ...Kg4 is the strong threat.
75.Rh8 -2.84/21
[75.Raa3 -1.74/19 keeps fighting.]
75...Ng4

76.Rf8 f6 77.Rd8 Rh1+ 78.Ke2 Rh2+ 79.Ke1 Ke4 80.Kd1? -4.62/24
[80.Rd6 -2.84/20 might work better. e5 81.fxe5 fxe5 82.Rxg6]
80...d4



81.Kc1 Ne3 82.Rb7 e5 83.Rbd7 Kd3 White must now prevent ...Rc2+. **84.fxe5 fxe5** Strongly threatening ...Rc2+. **85.Rf8 e4**



aiming for ...Nc4. **86.Rf4 Nc4 87.Kb1 Na3+ 88.Ka1 Nb5 89.g4 Nc3 90.Ra7 e3**

91.Rf1 Rd2 92.Rff7 e2 93.Rfe7 hxg4 94.Ra6 g3 (-> ...g2) **95.Re8 g2**

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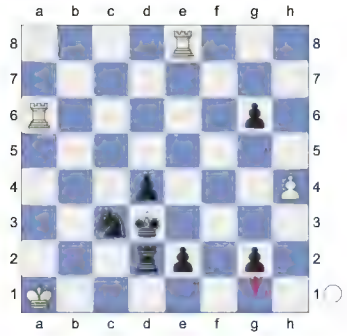
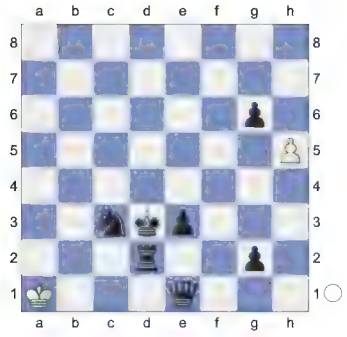


Black mates. **96.Re3+ Kxe3 97.Re6+ Kd3 98.Re3+ dxe3 99.h5 e1Q#**



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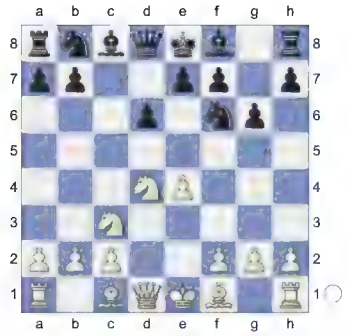
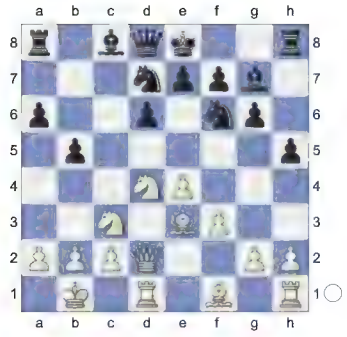
81 **B72**
□ **Svane,Frederik** **2671**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2804**
Titled Tue 6th May Early blitz (8) 6.5.25
[Kitty Kat]

B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

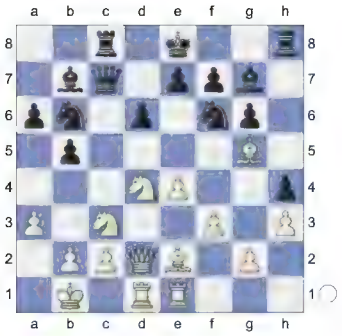
(Diagram)



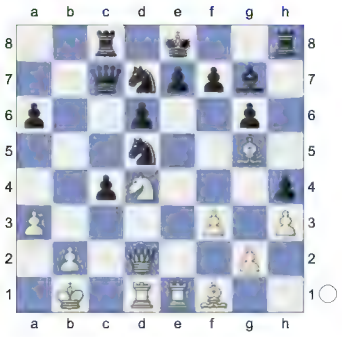
6.Be3 a6 7.f3 Bg7 8.Qd2 h5 9.0-0-0 Nbd7 10.Kb1 b5



The position is equal. **11.a3**
[11.Nd5 Bb7 12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.Bg5 Rc8 14.Bxf6 Nxf6 15.Nb3 Qc7 16.c3 Qb6 17.Nd4 0-0 18.h4 Rc5 19.Nb3 Re5 20.Qd4 Qc7 21.Bd3 a5 22.f4 Rxe4 23.Bxe4 Bxe4+ 24.Ka1 Bxg2 25.Rhg1 Bf3 Micic,A (2273)-Golubev,M (2461) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (51)]
11...Bb7 12.Be2 Rc8 13.Rhe1N
[13.Nb3 Qc7 14.h4 Ne5 15.Qd4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.Nc1 Rb8 18.N1e2 0-0 19.Qd2 Bxe4 20.fxe4 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 Rxb2+ 22.Kc1 Qb7 23.N4c3 *(23.N2c3 Rb1+ 24.Nxb1 Qb2#* Model Games-Ozsoy,A*)* 23...Rb1+ 24.Nxb1 Qb2# 0-1 (24) Ozsoy,A-Yilmazyerli,M Ayvalik TUR 2022 [Chris Ward]]
13...Qc7 14.h3 h4 15.Bg5 Nb6 0.56/18
[15...Nc5= 0.25/16]

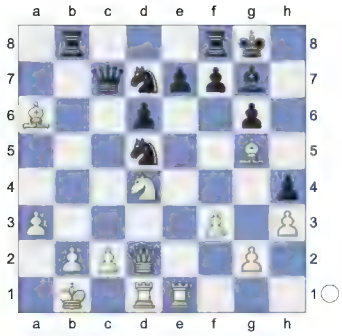


16.Bf1 -0.01/19
[16.f4± 0.56/18]
16...Nfd7 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Bxb5 0.01/21
[19.c4± 0.41/22 should be considered. bxc4

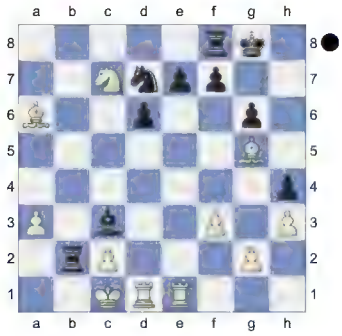


20.Bxc4! Qxc4 21.Rc1]
19...0-0 0.96/21
[19...axb5= 0.01/21 remains equal. 20.Nxb5 Qb8 21.Qxd5 0-0]
20.Bxa6± Black must now prevent c4. This bishop pair is nice. **20...Rb8** 1.34/19
[20...Bxd4± 0.53/20 21.Qxd4 *(21.Bxc8 Nc3+ 22.Kc1 Na2+ 23.Kb1 Nc3+ 24.bxc3 Bxc3=)* 21...Qxc2+ 22.Ka1 Nc5 23.Qxd5 e6]

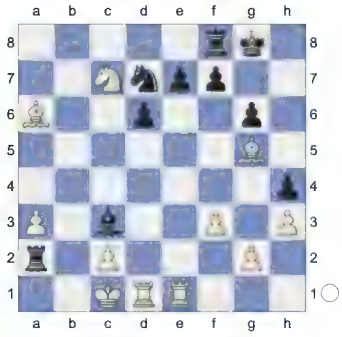
(Diagram)



21.Nb5? -2.30/23
[21.c4± 1.34/19 stays on course. N5b6 22.Rxe7]
21...Nc3+ 22.Qxc3? -6.20/20
[Not 22.Nxc3? Bxc3 23.b3 Bxd2-+]
[22.bxc3 -1.75/18 Bxc3 23.Qd3]
22...Bxc3-+ 23.Nxc7 Rxb2+ 24.Kc1? -#2/6
[24.Ka1= 0.01/5 Rfb8 25.Bb7 R2xb7+ 26.Ka2 Rb2+ 27.Ka1 Rxc2#]



24...Ra2



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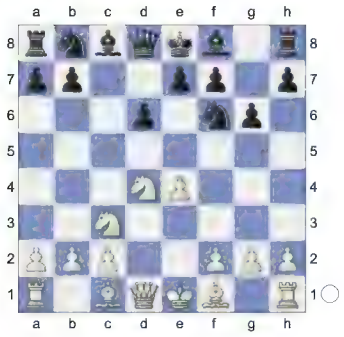
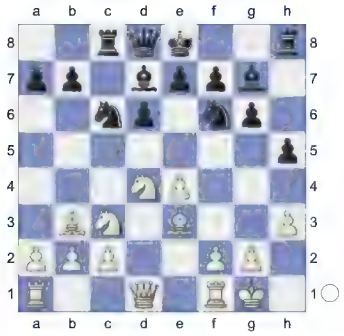
82 **B72**
□ **Khatanbaatargm** **2669**
■ **Literal Bagel** **2696**
Blitz 07.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

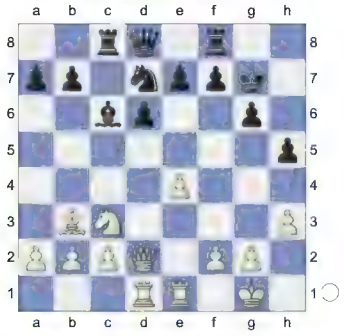
Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
Squeezing the light-squared bishop: It's all very well White having a pawn on d5 as there is pressure against Black's e7-pawn. But what of the reduced scope bishop on b3? **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6**



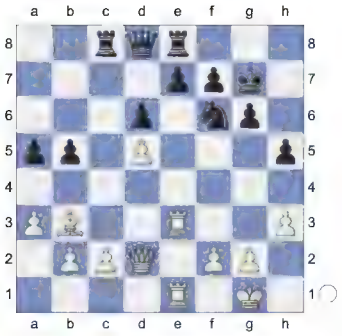
6.Be3 Nc6 7.Bc4 -0.04/18
[7.h3± 0.41/16 is more appropriate.]
7...h5N 0.52/18
[7...Ng4= -0.04/18]
[7...Bg7 8.Bb3 0-0 9.h3 Bd7 10.0-0 Rc8 11.f4 *(11.Re1 Ne5 12.f4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.Qd3 Rc8 15.e5 Ne8 16.Bf2 dxe5 17.fxe5 Nc7 18.Rad1 Qe8 19.Bh4 h6 20.Qe4 b5 21.a3 Ne6 22.Nd5 g5 23.Bf2 Nxd4 24.Qxd4 Bc6 25.Nf6+ Bxf6* Deep Junior-Golubev,M (2523) www.KasparovChess.com 2000 [Mikhail Golubev] 1-0 (32)*)* 11...a6 12.Qf3 b5 13.Rad1 b4 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Bb5 17.Rf2 a5 18.a4 bxa3 19.bxa3 a4 20.Ba2 Rc3 21.Qe4 Bd7 22.Bc1 Z'Berg,J-Golubev,M (2526) Scuol SUI 2001 [Chris Ward] 0-1 Qb6 23.Qb4 Qxb4 24.axb4 Rfc8 25.Rdd2 a3 26.Kh2 Bb5 27.g3 Bc4 28.Bxc4 R8xc4 29.Rde2 a2 0-1 (29) Kalashikov 5.Nb5 d6 6.a4 #10-Guevara,R (2526) Nice 2001 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z]]
8.h3± Bd7 White is slightly better. **9.0-0 Rc8 10.Bb3 Bg7**



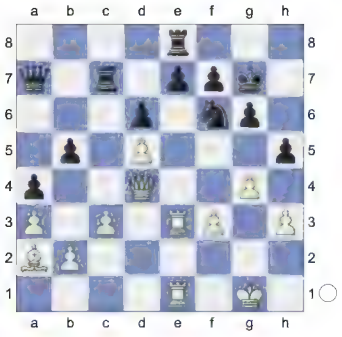
11.Re1 0-0 12.Qd2 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bc6 14.Rad1
[14.Bxa7 b6 15.e5 Nd7=]
14...Nd7 15.Bxg7
[Not 15.Bxa7 b6 16.e5 Ra8∓]
15...Kxg7



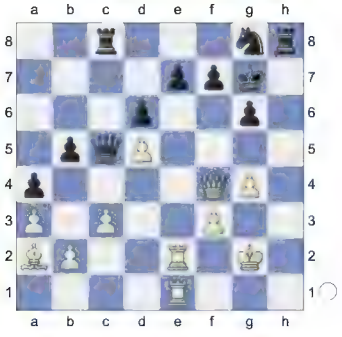
16.Nd5 0.30/17
[White should play 16.Qd4+± 0.98/19 f6 17.Be6 *(17.Qxa7 Nc5±)*]
16...Bxd5 17.exd5 Nf6 18.Re3 Re8 0.91/20
[18...b5± 0.41/19]
19.Rde1 0.40/19
[19.Ba4± 0.91/20]
19...b5 20.a3 a5
(Diagram)



21.c3 a4 22.Ba2 Rc5 23.Qd4 Qd7 24.f3 Qa7 25.g4 Rc7



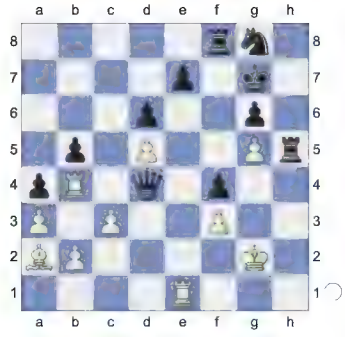
26.Qd2 Qc5 0.44/23
[26...hxg4= 0.01/21 27.hxg4 Rh8]
27.Kg2 hxg4 28.hxg4 Rh8 29.R3e2 Ng8 30.Qf4 Rc8



31.Re4 Rf8 0.44/19
[31...Rh4= 0.01/21]
32.Rb4 0.01/20
[32.Qg3± 0.44/19 was preferrable.]
32...f5 1.09/20
[32...Nf6= 0.01/20]

(Diagram)

33.g5!± Rh5 34.Qd2 0.01/24
[White should try 34.Re6± 1.06/22]
34...f4= 35.Qd4+ -1.45/22
[35.Rxf4= -0.01/22 was the only way to keep the balance. e5 36.Rxf8 Kxf8 37.Rh1 Rxh1 38.Kxh1]
35...Qxd4∓



36.Rxd4 Rxg5+ 37.Kf2 Rb8 0.01/21
[37...Rh5∓ -1.48/22 38.Rg1 Re5]
38.Bb1 -0.69/21
[38.Rxf4= 0.01/21 Rc8 39.Rb4]
38...Rh5∓ And now ...Rh2+ would win.
39.Rg1 g5 40.Rg2 -1.02/23 Inhibits Rh2.
[40.Rxf4= 0.01/23 remains equal. Nf6 41.Rf5]
40...Kf6∓

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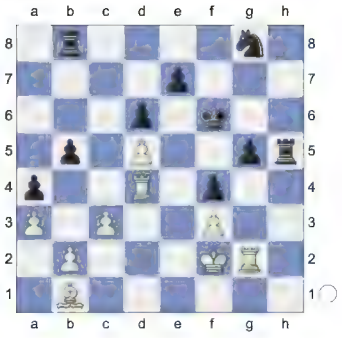
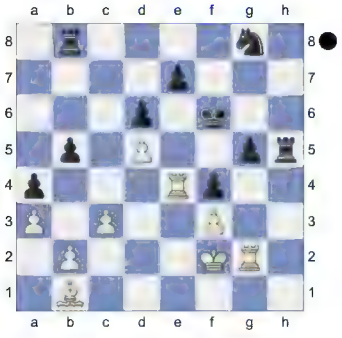


41.Re4 -1.31/23
[⌓41.Rd1 -0.98/21]

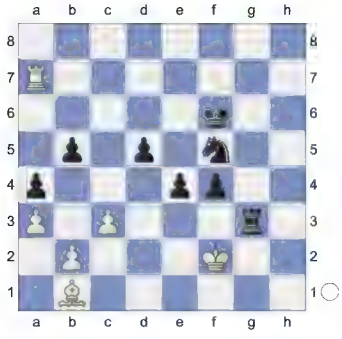


41...Kf7 -0.01/24
[41...e5!∓ -1.31/23 Hoping for ...Ne7. 42.dxe6 Ne7]
42.Bd3? -1.75/23
[42.Rxf4+!= -0.01/24 gxf4 43.Bg6+ Kf8 44.Bxh5]
42...Nf6-+ 43.Rd4 g4? -0.01/23
[Better is 43...Nd7-+ -1.68/24 White must now prevent ...Kf6. 44.Rb4 Ne5 45.Bxb5 Kf6]
44.fxg4=
[But not 44.Rxf4 Rxd5 45.Rd4 gxf3 46.Rxd5 Nxd5 47.Kxf3 e5∓]
44...Rxd5
[44...Re5 keeps more tension. 45.Rxf4 Kg7 46.Rf5 Nxd5 47.Rh2 Ne3]
45.Rxd5 Nxd5

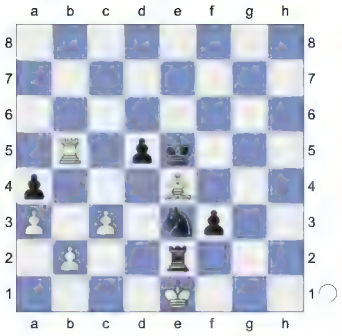
(Diagram)

Endgame KRB-KRN **46.Be4?** -4.83/21 Black continues to play with concentration.
[46.Rh2= -0.06/21]
46...Ne3-+ 47.Rg1 d5 48.Bb1 -7.51/22
[⌓48.Bd3 -4.60/20 e5 49.Rh1]
48...e5 49.g5 Rg8 50.Kf3 Ke6? -1.67/22
[50...Rh8 -7.17/20 51.Bh7 Kg7]

51.g6? -4.67/23
[51.Bh7 -1.67/22 might work better. Rg7 52.Bd3]
51...Kf6 52.Rh1 Nf5 53.Rh7 -8.22/22
[⌓53.Ba2 -4.15/20 Ke6 54.Rg1]
53...Rxg6 54.Ra7 Rg3+ 55.Kf2 e4



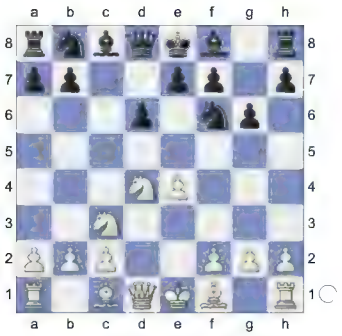
(-> ...f3) **56.Rb7 Ne3 57.Rb6+ Ke5** -14.86/20
[⌓57...Kf5 -#13/19 58.Rb8 Rg2+ 59.Ke1 Rxb2 60.Rg8 f3 61.Rf8+ Kg5 62.Rg8+ Kh6 63.Bc2 Rxc2 64.Rh8+ Kg7 65.Rh2 Rxh2 66.c4 Re2#]
58.Rxb5 Rg2+ 59.Ke1 f3 60.Bxe4 Re2#



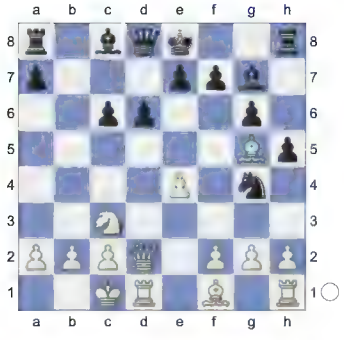
Weighted Error Value: White=0.95/ Black=0.57
0-1

83 **B72**
□ **Svane,Frederik** **2668**
■ **Shukhman,Anna** **2413**
Titled 5th Apr Early (4) 15.04.2025
[Kitty Kat]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

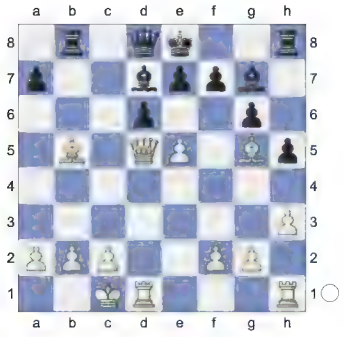


6.Be3 Nc6 7.Qd2
[7.f3 h5 8.Qd2 Nxd4 9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Qxe3 Be6 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Rd4 a6 14.Ra4 Qd8 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qxe5 0-0 17.Rd4 Qb8 18.Qxb8 Raxb8 19.Bc4 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Rfc8 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 Yoo,C (2603)-Dubov,D (2693) Chess, com INT 2024 1-0 (60)]
7...h5N 0.53/19
[7...Ng4= 0.21/19]
[7...Bg7 8.f3 0-0 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.Bb3 Rc8 11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.g4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.Kb1 b5 15.Ndxb5 Qb8 16.Nd4 Rfc8 17.Nde2 Bxg4 18.Rhf1 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Bxc3 21.b3 a5 22.Qf3 Gratze,M (2574)-Miserendino,A (2326) Le Havre 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (39) Bf6 23.Rd2 Qb4 24.e5 dxe5 25.Bh6 e4 26.Qd1 Rd4 27.Rxf6 Rxd2 28.Bxd2 Rd8 29.Rxf7 Rxd2 30.Qf1 Rd1+ 31.Qxd1 Kxf7 32.Kb2 Qc5 33.c3 e3 34.Qf3+ Kg7 35.Kc2 Qe5 36.Kd3 Qxh2 37.Qxe3 Bologan,V (2627)-Gurevich,M (2634) Cap d'Agde FRA 2002 [Neil McDonald] 0-1 (39) Qd6+ 38.Qd4+ Kf7 39.b4 1-0 (39) Bologan,V (2574)-Martin Carmona,G (2326) chess.com INT 2021 [Chris Ward]]
8.0-0-0 Ng4 White has an edge. **9.Bg5 Bg7 10.Nxc6 bxc6**



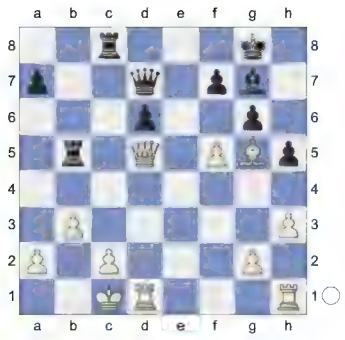
11.h3 Nf6 12.e5 0.03/23

[12.Bc4!± 0.43/19 feels stronger.]
12...Nd5 1.51/22
[12...Nh7= 0.03/23 13.Bf4 *(13.exd6? Nxg5 14.Bc4 Ne6-+)* 13...d5]
13.Nxd5± cxd5 14.Qxd5 0.90/24
[White should play 14.Bb5++- 1.67/25 Kf8 15.Qxd5]
14...Rb8 15.Bb5+
[15.exd6?! Bxb2+ 16.Kd2 Qxd6 17.Qxd6 exd6=]
15...Bd7

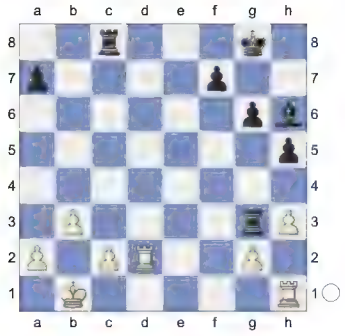


16.Bxd7+ Qxd7 17.f4 0.28/22
&Bianco is more active.
[17.exd6 e6 18.Qd3 Bxb2+ 19.Kd2 Rb5∓]
[17.b3± 0.91/23]
17...0-0 18.b3 Rfc8 19.exd6 0.01/22
[19.g4± 0.58/21]
19...exd6 1.14/22
[19...Rb5= 0.01/22 keeps the balance. 20.Qd3 exd6]
20.f5? -2.16/23
[20.c4?! Rb5 21.Qxd6 Qb7=]
[20.Rhe1± 1.14/22 and life is bright.]
20...Rb5→
[Don't take 20...Qc7 21.c4±]

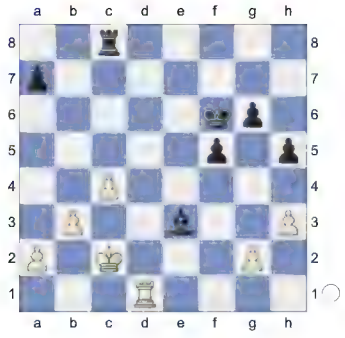
(Diagram)



Skewer. Black has strong attack.
21.Qxd6 -7.07/22
[21.Qd3∓ -1.49/22 Rxf5 22.Be3]
21...Qxf5 22.Qd2 Qxg5 -5.08/20
[⌓22...Rbc5 -18.20/25 23.Qd8+ Rxd8 24.Rxd8+ Kh7]
23.Qxg5 Rxg5 24.Rd2 Bh6 25.Kb1 Rg3

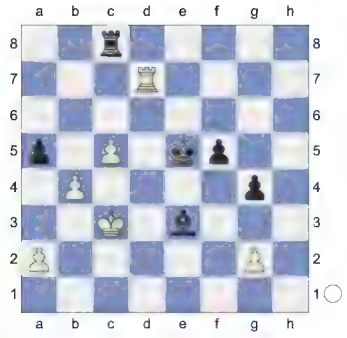


26.Re2 Re3 27.Rxe3 Bxe3 Endgame KRB-KR **28.c4 f5 29.Rd1 Kf7 30.Kc2 Kf6**

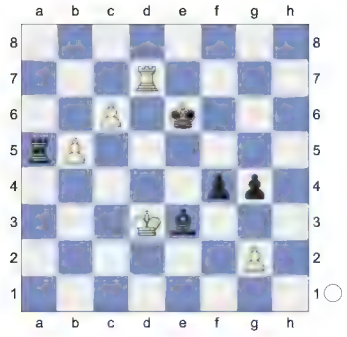


31.Kc3 g5 32.b4 g4 33.hxg4 hxg4 34.c5 Ke5 35.Rd7 a5

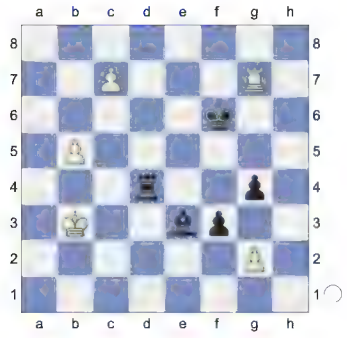
(Diagram)



36.a3 f4 37.Kd3 axb4 38.axb4 Ra8 39.c6 Ke6 40.b5 Ra5

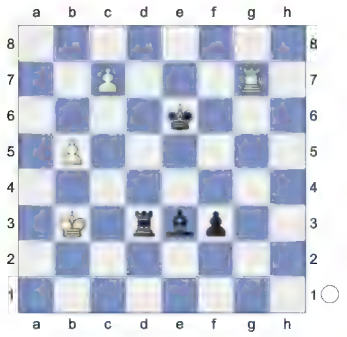


41.Kc4 Ra4+
[Avoid the trap 41...Ra2? 42.Rg7 Rxg2 43.c7 Rc2+ 44.Kd3-+]
42.Kb3 Rd4 -0.91/21
[42...Ra8-+ -4.84/22 and Black stays clearly on top. 43.Kb4 Ra2]
43.Rg7∓ aiming for c7. **43...f3?** 5.05/22
[43...Rd3+∓ -1.06/20 keeps the pressure on. 44.Kc4 Rd4+ 45.Kb3 Rd1 46.Rg6+ Ke7 47.Rxg4 *(47.Rg7+ Kf6∓)* 47...Rc1]
44.gxf3? 0.00/21
[44.c7+- 5.05/22 Kf6

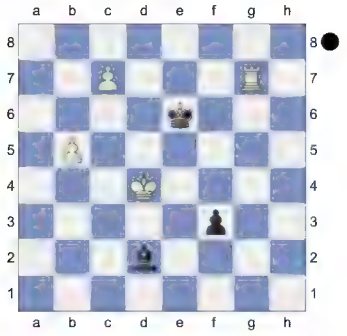


45.c8Q! Kxg7 46.gxf3]

44...gxf3? 5.05/22
[44...Rd5= 0.00/21 and Black stays safe.]
45.c7+- Rd3+ 19.24/26
[⌓45...Kf6 4.85/19 46.c8Q Kxg7 47.Qb7+ Kg6 48.Qxf3 Bf4]



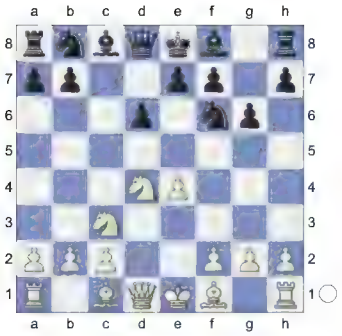
46.Kc4 Rd4+ 47.Kc3 Bd2+ 48.Kxd4



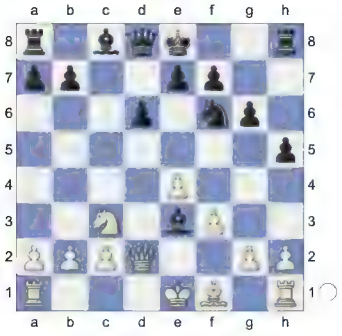
What a fight!
Weighted Error Value: White=0.72/ Black=0.57
1-0

84 **B72**
□ **Retro23** **2667**
■ **Flamaster7** **2668**
Blitz 26.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Prevents Ng4. **7...h5 8.Qd2 Nxd4** White is slightly better. **9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Be3 Bxe3**



11.Qxe3 Be6 12.0-0-0 Strongly threatening e5.

[12.Bb5+ Kf8 13.Ba4 Qa5 14.0-0 Rc8 15.Bb3 Qc5 16.Rfe1 Nd7 17.Rad1 Qxe3+ 18.Rxe3 Kg7 19.h4 Ne5 20.Rd2 Rc5 21.Ne2 Bc4 22.Nd4 b5 23.Re1 Rhc8 24.c3 a5 25.a3 Rb8 26.Bc2 b4 Ter Sahakyan, S (2605)-Rapport,R (2740) Almaty (rapid) 155/75 2022 [Paunovic, Tomislav] 0-1 (51)]

12...Qa5 13.Kb1

[13.Rd4 a6 14.Ra4 Qd8 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qxe5 0-0 17.Rd4 Qb8 18.Qxb8 Raxb8 19.Bc4 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Rfc8 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Rd1 Kf8 23.Nd5 Nd7 24.Nf4 Nf6 25.Nd5 Nd7 26.Nf4 Ne5 27.b3 e6 Yoo,C (2603)-Dubov,D (2693) Chess, com INT 2024 1-0 (60)]

13...Rc8 14.a3 h4N

[14...Kf8 15.Be2 Kg7 16.h3 h4 17.Rhe1 Rh5 18.f4 Rhc5 19.e5 dxe5 20.fxe5 Rxe5 21.Qd4 Rec5 22.Bf3 Rxc3 23.bxc3 Rc4 24.Qd2 Qxa3 25.Rxe6 Ra4 26.Rb6 Qa1# Chapter-Games Game 1]

15.Rd4 Rh5

16.Be2 0.01/17

[16.Rb4± 0.37/17]

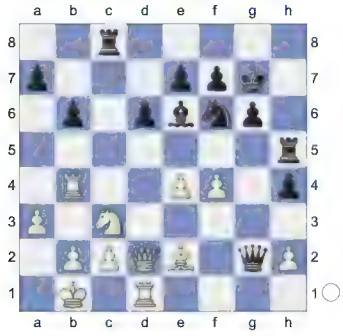
16...Kf8 17.Rb4 b6 18.Rd1 Kg7 0.67/18

[⌓18...h3 0.31/18 19.g3 Qc5]

19.Qd2!± Qg5 0.94/19

[19...Rg5± 0.46/19 deserves consideration.]

20.f4± Qxg2



21.Bxh5 Qxd2 22.Rxd2 Nxh5 1.18/21

[Black should try 22...gxh5 0.77/19 23.Ra4 a5]

23.f5! gxf5 24.exf5 Bxf5 25.Rxh4 Bg6 1.66/20

[25...Nf6± 1.23/22 26.Re2 Rc7]

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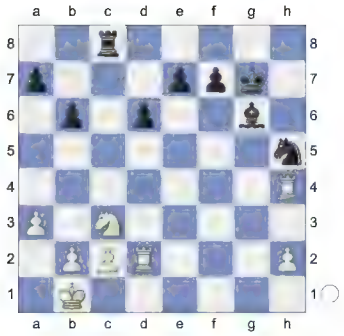
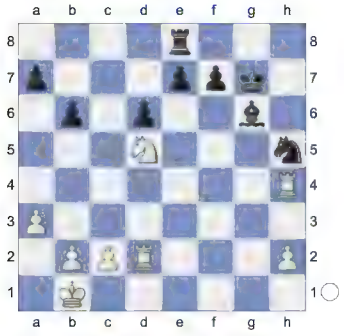
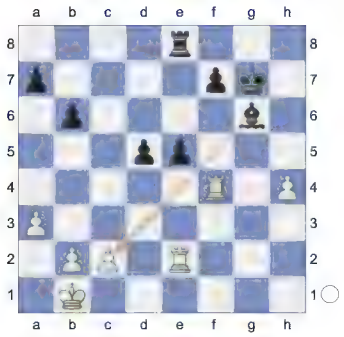


26.Nd5+- Re8 2.29/20
[⌓26...e5 1.73/19 27.Ne7 Re8]

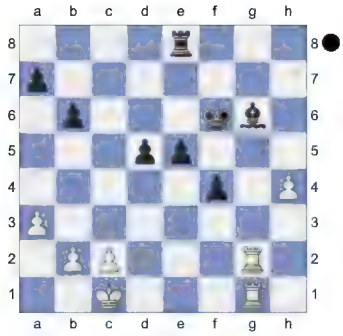


27.Re2 1.19/20
[27.Ra4!+- 2.29/20]
27...e6± 28.Nf4 0.05/20
[28.Rd4± 1.27/19]
28...Nxf4= 29.Rxf4 Endgame KRR-KRB **29...d5!** Prevents Rc4. **30.h4 e5**



next ...Bxc2+! is good for Black. Black has compensation. **31.Kc1** -0.90/19
[31.Rf1= -0.20/20]
31...f5∓ 32.Rf1 Kf6 33.Rg1 f4 34.Reg2

(Diagram)



Bf5 -0.13/18 &Nero is more active.
[34...Bf7!∓ -1.06/19]
35.h5? -3.99/17
[35.Rg8!= -0.13/18 Rxg8 36.Rxg8]
35...f3-+

36.Rg3 e4 Black is clearly winning.
37.h6 f2 38.Rf1 e3 (-> ...e2) **39.Rf3 e2 40.R3xf2** Black must now prevent Re1. **40...exf1Q+**

41.Rxf1

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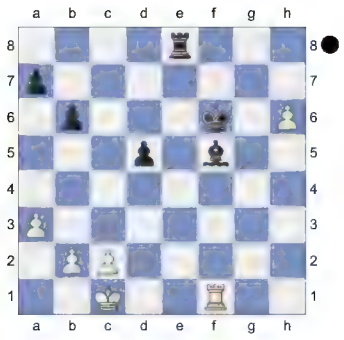

Never resign too early!
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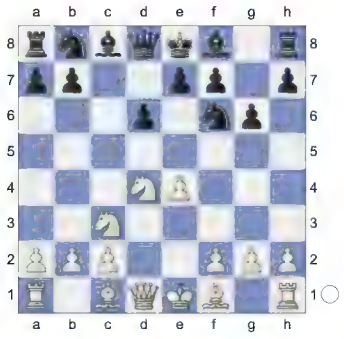
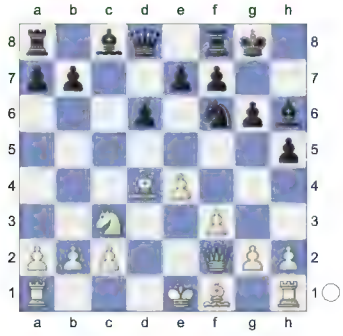
0-1

85 **B72**
□ **Prettyfishy** **2661**
■ **Fastchess2345** **2700**
Blitz 18.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

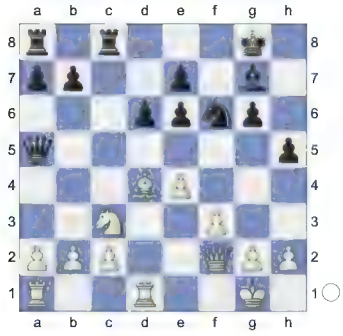
Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Inhibits Ng4. **7...h5 8.Qd2 Nxd4** White is slightly better. **9.Bxd4 Bh6 10.Qf2 0-0**
[10...Be6 11.Bb5+ Kf8 12.0-0 a6 13.Bd3 Bg7 14.f4 Ng4 15.Bxg7+ Kxg7 16.Qd4+ f6 17.h3 Nh6 18.f5 Bf7 19.Rf3 g5 20.Rd1 Rc8 21.Ne2 Qa5 22.h4 Qe5 23.Qxe5 dxe5 24.hxg5 fxg5 25.b3 Perez Leiva,J (2384)-Matinian,N (2470) chess.com INT 2020 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (64)]



11.Bc4N
[11.Bxf6 exf6 12.Bc4 Bf4 13.0-0 f5 14.Rad1 Qc7 15.Bb3 Qc5 16.Nd5 Bg5 17.Rfe1 fxe4 18.Rxe4 Kg7 19.Ne3 Bf6 20.c3 b5 21.Nd5 Bg5 22.Qd4+ Kh6 23.Kf1 Bf5 24.h4 Bd8 25.Qd2+ Kg7 Boraso,A (2275)-Murphy,C (2463) Genoa ITA 2024 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (44)]
11...Qa5 12.Bb3 Be6 13.0-0 Rfc8 14.Rfd1 Bg7 15.Bxe6 fxe6

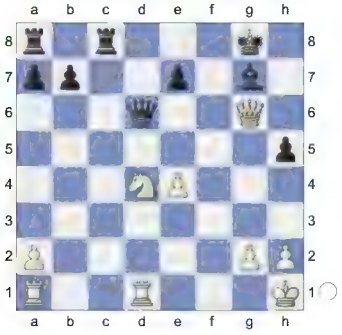


16.Qg3 Kf7 17.e5 dxe5 18.Bxe5 Qb6+ 0.37/18
[18...Rc4= 0.00/18]
19.Kh1± Active counter play! **19...Qxb2** 0.46/20
[19...Qc6= 0.01/15 is more appropriate.]
20.Ne4 Qxc2

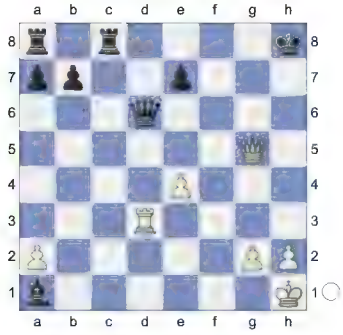
(Diagram)

21.Ng5+ Kg8 22.Nxe6 Qf5

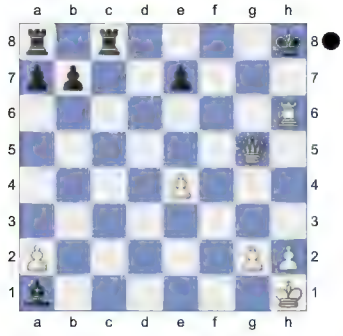
23.Nd4 Ne4 24.fxe4 Qxe5 25.Qxg6
Hoping for Nf5. **25...Qd6?** 2.54/21
[25...Rc4± 0.77/21 is a better defense. 26.Nf5 Qf6 27.Qxh5 Rxe4]



26.Qxh5 1.51/20
[26.Ne6+- 2.54/21 Qe5 27.Ng5 *(27.Nxg7 Qxg7 28.Qxh5 b6±)*]
26...Bxd4± 27.Qg5+ Kh8 28.Rd3
Threatening mate with Rh3+. Chess con chili. **28...Bxa1??** #2/6
[28...Rc3± 1.32/23 29.e5 Qxe5 30.Qh4+ Kg8 31.Rxd4 Rc4 32.Qg4+ Kh8 33.Qh4+ Kg8 34.Rg4+ *(34.Qg4+ Kh8±)* 34...Rxg4 35.Qxg4+ Qg7 36.Qc4+ Qf7]



29.Rh3+ Qh6 30.Rxh6#



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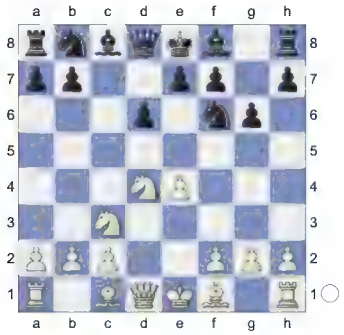
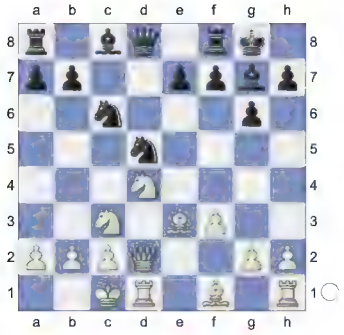
86 **B76**
□ **General Zod** **2660**
■ **Chesswithmra** **2771**
Blitz 13.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
Inf 83/(201) This game would be never feature in a main database as duplicates were not made of the scoresheet. It was a match in the English National Club tournament and although playing Black was a very reasonable club player, handling the white pieces was Grandmaster and ex

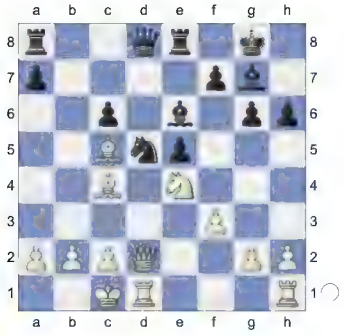
www.chesspublishing host Neil McDonald. **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5



11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Re8 14.Bc4 Be6 15.Ne4 h6



16.g4 Rb8 0.97/18

[16...Qc7= 0.30/19]

[16...Qh4 17.Bf2 Qe7 18.Bc5 Qh4 19.Bf2 Qe7 20.h4 f5 21.gxf5 gxf5 22.Bc5 Qc7 23.Rhg1 Kh7 24.Rxg7+ Qxg7 25.Rg1 Qf7 26.Nd6 Qc7 27.Nxe8 Rxe8 28.h5 Mulyar,M (2427)-Kudrin,S (2524) United States 2002 Informant 83 [RR]]

17.h4± &Bianco is more active. **17...Nf4** 1.52/22

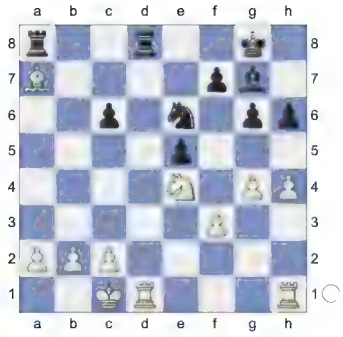
[⌓17...a5 0.97/19]

18.Qxd8N 0.93/23

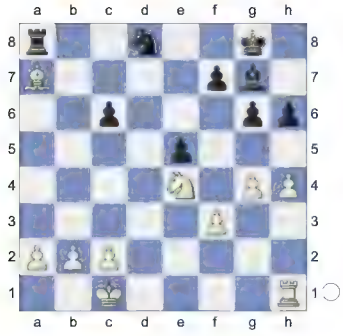
[⌓18.Bxe6 1.52/22 Qxd2+ 19.Rxd2 Nxe6 20.Bxa7]

[18.Qc3 Bd5 19.g5 h5 20.Bxa7 Ra8 21.Bc5 Rxa2 22.Kb1 Ra5 23.Bb4 Ra7 24.b3 Qa8 25.Bc5 Ra5 26.Bd3 Rb8 27.Rhe1 Rxc5 28.Qxc5 Bf8 29.Qc3 Qa4 30.Nf6+ Kh8 31.Nd7 Bxb3 32.Nxb8 Ba2+ Sanchez Rodenas,J-Plesse,H LSS email 2011 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 1-0 (40) 33.Kb2 Bb4 34.Qxe5+ Kh7 35.Kc1 Bd5 36.Nd7 Qa3+ 37.Qb2 Qa5 38.Nf6+ Kg7 39.Nxh5+ Kg8 40.Qg7# 1-0 (40) Mcdonald,N-Harwood,D Amsterdam NED 2011 [Chris Ward]]

18...Rexd8 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Bxa7 Ra8



21.Rxd8+ Nxd8

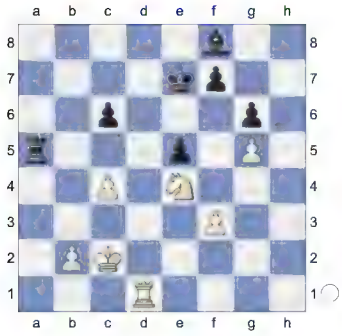


22.Bb6 0.97/19

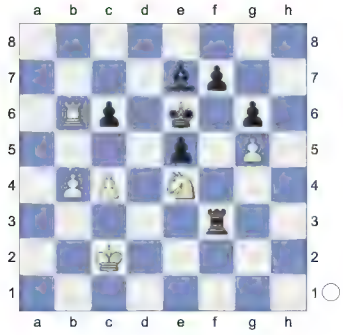
[22.Rd1!+- 1.67/23]

22...Rxa2 Threatens to win with ...Ra1+.
23.Kb1 Prevents Ra1+. **23...Ra8**
24.Bxd8 0.41/21
[24.Rd1± 1.07/20 Ne6 25.Rd6]
24...Rxd8 Endgame KRB-KRN **25.g5 hxg5** 0.74/21
[25...Kf8= 0.22/21 remains equal.]

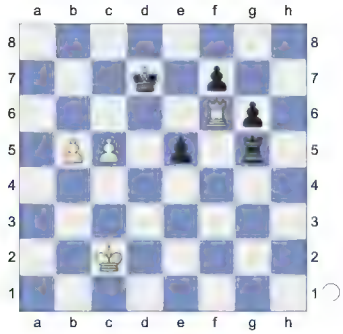
26.hxg5 Kf8 27.Kc1 0.09/22
[27.c3± 0.79/23]
27...Ke7!= 28.Rd1 -0.33/24
[28.c3= 0.19/21]
28...Rd5 0.01/27
[28...Bf8∓ -0.33/24]
29.c4 Ra5 2.36/23
[29...Rxd1+= 0.00/24 and Black has nothing to worry. 30.Kxd1 Bf8]
30.Kc2 Bf8 2.41/24
[30...Ra4 1.94/22 was worth a try.]



31.Rd3? 0.29/24
[White must play 31.b4!+- 2.41/24 Ra2+ 32.Kb3]
31...Ke6 32.Rd8 Be7 33.Rb8 Ra1 0.69/22
[33...Ra7= 0.01/21]
34.Rb6!± Rf1 1.86/22
[34...Kd7± 0.69/21]
35.b4 0.88/22
[35.Rxc6++- 1.86/22 is the precise move to win. Kd7 36.Ra6]
35...Rxf3

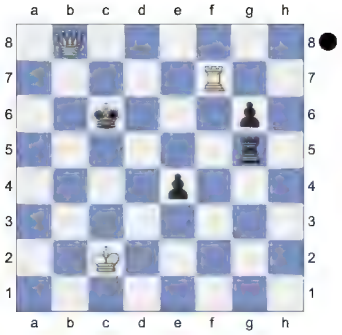


36.Rxc6+ 0.18/23
[White should play 36.b5!± 1.04/21]
36...Kd7 2.44/23 Loses the game.
[36...Kf5= 0.18/23 37.Nd6+ Kxg5]
37.b5+- Re3? 5.05/23
[37...Rf4 2.41/22]
38.Nf6+ Bxf6 39.Rxf6 KR-KR **39...Rg3 40.c5 Rxg5**



41.b6 e4 42.c6+
[Resist 42.Rxf7+?! Kc8±]
42...Kc8? 5.57/27
[42...Ke7 2.66/26 43.Rxf7+ Kxf7]
43.b7+ Kc7 #11/24
[43...Kb8+- 5.09/22 44.Kd2 Rf5]
44.Rxf7+ Kxc6 45.b8Q

(Diagram)



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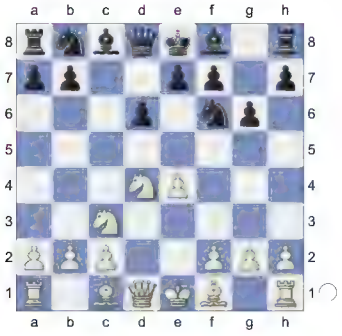
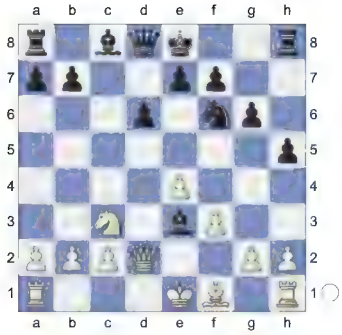
87 **B72**
□ **Oparin,Grigoriy** **2659**
■ **Dubov,Daniil** **2784**
FIDE World Rapid and Blitz Championsh..
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 0min+2sec
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 0 **c5** 0 **2.Nf3** 0 **d6** 0 **3.d4** 0 **cxd4** 0 **4.Nxd4** 0 **Nf6** 0 **5.Nc3** 0 **g6** 0

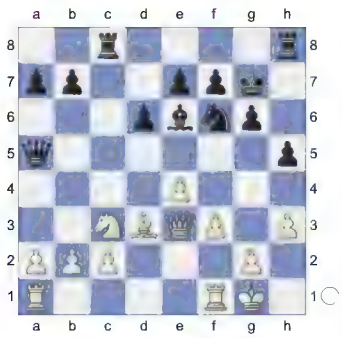


6.Be3 0 **Nc6** 0 **7.f3** 0 Inhibits Ng4. **7...h5** 0 **8.Qd2** 0 **Nxd4** 0 White is slightly better. **9.Bxd4** 0 **Bh6** 0 **10.Be3** 0 **Bxe3** 0

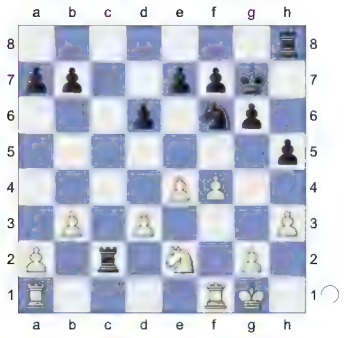
(Diagram)



11.Qxe3 0 **Be6** 0 **12.Bb5+** 0
[12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Rd4 a6 14.Ra4 Qd8 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qxe5 0-0 17.Rd4 Qb8 18.Qxb8 Raxb8 19.Bc4 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Rfc8 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Rd1 Kf8 23.Nd5 Nd7 24.Nf4 Nf6 25.Nd5 Nd7 26.Nf4 Ne5 Yoo,C (2603)-Dubov,D (2693) Chess, com INT 2024 1-0 (60)]
12...Kf8 0 **13.0-0** 0
[13.Ba4 Qa5 14.0-0 Rc8 15.Bb3 Qc5 16.Rfe1 Nd7 17.Rad1 Qxe3+ 18.Rxe3 Kg7 19.h4 Ne5 20.Rd2 Rc5 21.Ne2 Bc4 22.Nd4 b5 23.Re1 Rhc8 24.c3 a5 25.a3 Rb8 26.Bc2 b4 27.axb4 axb4 Zupanc,M (2605)-Salman,F (2740) Budapest 2022 200 Traps In The Opening [Harding/ Busemann] 0-1 (51)]
13...Qa5 0 **14.h3N** 0
[14.f4 Rc8 15.f5 gxf5 16.exf5 Bc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 6. – Dragón Dicharachero c-Dragón Dicharachero: 7.f3]
14...Rc8 0 **15.Bd3** 0 **Kg7** 0



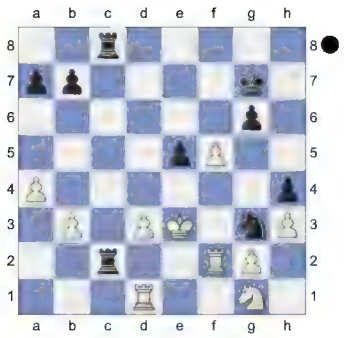
16.f4 0 **Qc5** 0 **17.Qxc5** 0 **Rxc5** 0 **18.Ne2** -0.55/19 0
[18.Rae1= -0.15/18]
18...Bc4∓ 0 **19.b3** 0 **Bxd3** 0 **20.cxd3** 0 **Rc2** 0



21.Kf2 0 **e5** 0 **22.Ke3** 0 **h4** 0 **23.Rf2** 5 **Nh5** 0 **24.a4** -0.99/20 37
[24.fxe5!∓ -0.58/22 dxe5 25.Rc1 Rxc1 26.Nxc1]
24...Rhc8∓ 0 **25.Raf1** 10 **f6** 0

&Nero is more active. **26.fxe5** 2 **dxe5** 0 Threatens to win with ...Rb2. **27.Ng1** -2.19/20 1
[27.Rd1∓ -1.02/20 was worth a try.]
27...Ng3 0 **28.Rd1** 6 **f5** 0 **29.exf5?** -5.47/23 3
[29.Ne2 -2.46/21]

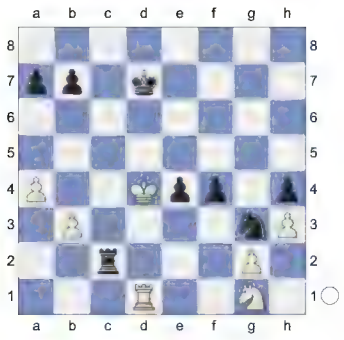
(Diagram)



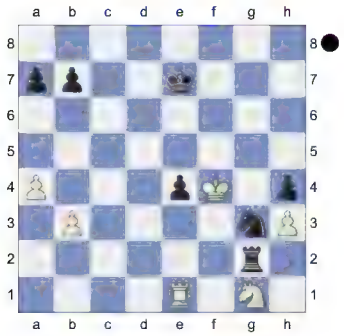
29...gxf5 -2.49/23 0
[⌓29...Nxf5+ -5.47/23 30.Rxf5 gxf5]
30.Rxc2 1 **Rxc2-+** 0

Endgame KRN-KRN **31.d4** 2 **e4** 0
[Inferior is 31...Rxg2 32.dxe5 Kg6 33.Rd6+ Kh5 34.Nf3=]
32.d5 1 **Kf6** -1.38/21 0
[Don't take 32...Rxg2 33.d6 f4+ 34.Kxf4 Nh5+ 35.Kxe4 Nf6+ 36.Kf5+-]
[Better is 32...Kf7-+ -2.73/23 33.d6 Ke8]
33.Kd4? -5.88/23 2 Now White is beyond hope.
[33.d6∓ -1.38/21 was the crucial defense. Rc8 34.b4]
33...f4 0 **34.d6** 4 **Ke6** 0 **35.d7** 1 **Kxd7** 0

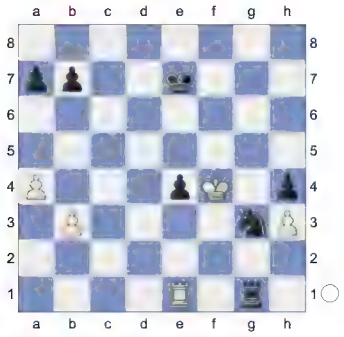
(Diagram)



36.Ke5+ 1 **Ke7** 0 **37.Kxf4** 1 **Rxg2** 0 **38.Re1** -7.85/21 5
[38.Ke5 -3.15/22]



38...Rxg1! 2



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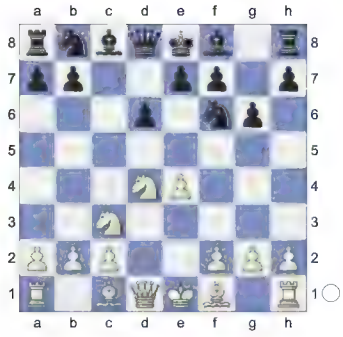
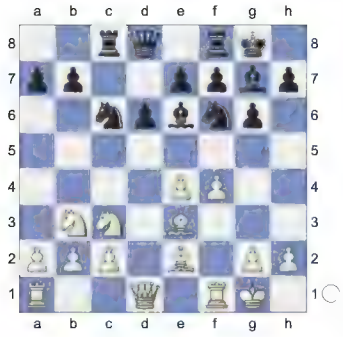
88 **B74**
Alekseenko,Kirill **2654**
Mikaelyan,A **2492**
Chess.com Classic Play-In blitz (2)
[Kitty Kat]

B74: Sicilian Dragon: Classical System with 9 Nb3
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



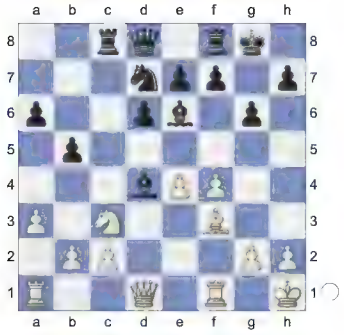
6.Be2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Be3 Nc6 9.Nb3 Be6 10.f4 Rc8



11.Kh1 a6 12.Bf3
[12.a4 Na5 13.Bd4 Bxb3 14.cxb3 e6 Comp Dragon-Classical Mainline ChessPub Guide 2024 Dragons [Chris Ward]]
12...b5N
[12...Bc4 13.Rf2 e5 14.Rd2 exf4 15.Rxd6 Qc7 16.Bxf4 Ne8 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.Qxd5 Nxd6 19.Bxd6 Qd8 20.Bxf8 Qxf8 21.c3 Be5 5. – Contra Ae2 con enroque-6.Ae2 Ag7 7.O-O #17]

[12...Nd7 13.Rb1 Bc4 14.Rf2 b5 15.e5 b4 16.Ne4 d5 17.Bg4 Rc7 18.Ng5 e6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nxe6 Qc8 21.Nxc7 Qxc7 22.Nd4 B5 Bd6-4.Bg5 (Byrne) / e5 Nd5 Agde 2011 CBM 45 group4 [Lane, CCYB6]]
[12...Na5 13.e5 Ne8 14.Nxa5 Qxa5 15.Bg4 Bxg4 16.Qxg4 Rd8 17.e6 Qf5 18.Qxf5 gxf5 19.Bb6 Ra8 20.Rae1 Nf6 21.Bd4 Rac8 22.Nd1 Ne4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.exf7 Rxc2 25.Ne3 Rxb2 26.Nxf5+ Kf6 27.Rxe4 Vadalia,J-Sydney Russia 1990 Inf 9 [Bennett,William] 1-0 (42)]

13.a3 Nd7 14.Nd4 Nxd4 Black has an edge. **15.Bxd4 Bxd4**



16.Qxd4 Rc4 17.Qd2 Nf6 18.Rad1 Qc7 19.Rfe1 Rc8 20.f5 Bd7

21.fxg6! hxg6
[21...fxg6? 22.e5 dxe5 23.Bd5+ Kg7 24.Bxc4 bxc4 25.Nd5 Nxd5 26.Qxd5+-]

22.Qg5 -0.80/19
[22.Nd5∓ -0.41/20 Nxd5 23.exd5]

22...Be6 23.e5 dxe5 24.Rxe5 Kg7!
White must now prevent ...Rh8. **25.Rde1** -1.11/20
[⌓25.h3 -0.78/21]

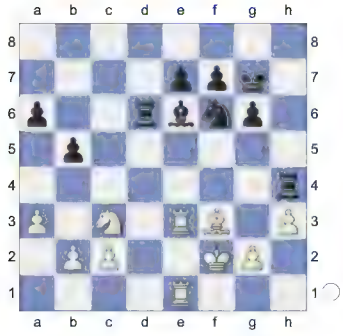
25...Rh8∓

26.h3 Rch4 -0.68/21
[26...b4∓ -1.18/19 27.axb4 Rxb4]

27.Kg1∓

Qb6+ -0.29/19
[27...Bxh3!∓ -0.65/21 28.gxh3 *(28.Rxe7 Qb6+)* 28...Rxh3]

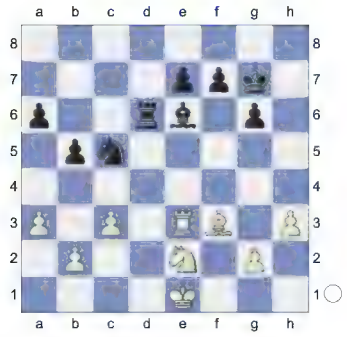
28.Qe3= Qxe3+ 29.R5xe3 Rd8 30.Kf2 Rd6 -0.10/20
[30...Rc4∓ -0.44/19]



31.Rd1 Rhd4 32.Rxd4 Rxd4 33.Ke1 Nd7 34.Ne2 Rd6 35.c3 -0.55/21

[35.Nf4= -0.01/19]

35...Nc5



Threatens to win with ...Nd3+. **36.Nd4 Kf6 37.g4** -0.41/22

[White should play 37.b4= 0.11/22 Nd7 38.Nxe6 fxe6 39.Be4]

37...g5 38.Bd1 -0.60/23

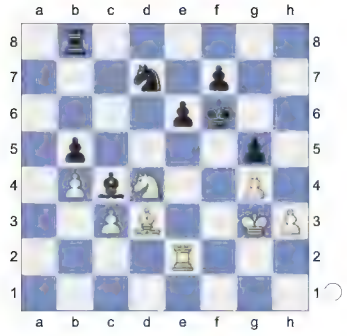
[38.b4!= -0.27/21 is more appropriate. Nd7 39.Nxe6 fxe6 40.Ke2]

38...Bd5!∓ 39.Bc2 e6 40.Kf2 Rd8

41.Kg3 Rb8 42.Re2 a5 0.01/23

[42...Rc8∓ -0.46/20 was preferrable.]

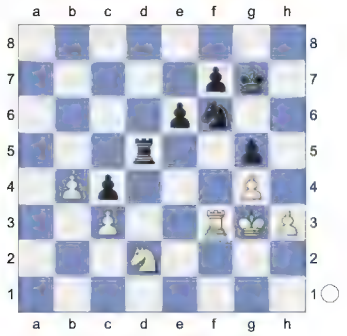
43.b4= axb4 44.axb4 Nd7 45.Bd3 Bc4



46.Rf2+ Kg7 47.Bxc4 bxc4

Endgame KRN-KRN **48.Nf3 Rb5**

49.Nd2 Nf6 50.Rf3 Rd5



51.Nxc4 Ne4+ 52.Kg2 Rd1 0.99/22

[52...f5= 0.03/21]

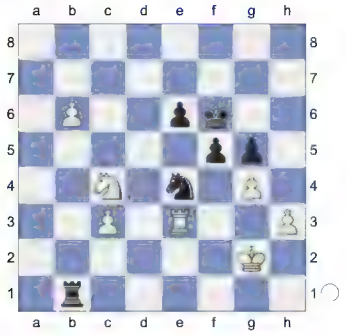
53.Re3 0.30/22

[53.b5± 0.99/22]

53...f5 54.b5 Rb1 1.31/24

[54...Kf6!= 0.13/21]

55.b6± Kf6



56.gxf5 0.57/22

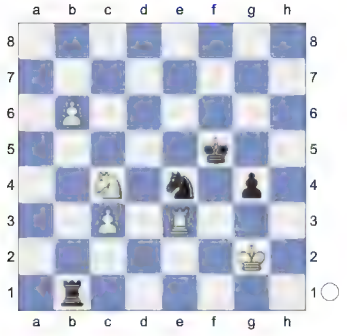
[56.Re2!± 1.20/22]

56...exf5± 57.Rd3 g4 0.92/20

[Better is 57...Ke6± 0.32/21]

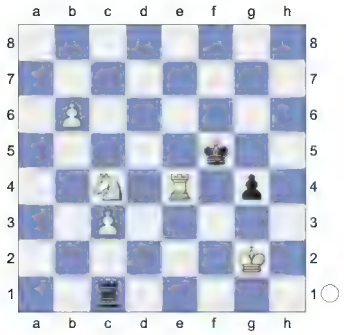
58.hxg4± fxg4 59.Re3 Kf5 5.44/21

[59...Nc5± 0.41/21]

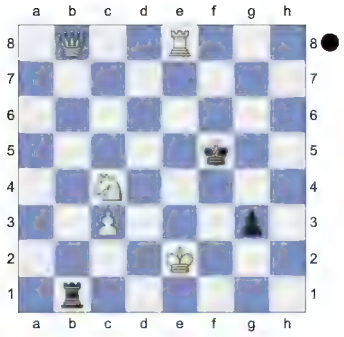


Black cannot hold the game after this.

60.Rxe4!+- Rc1
[60...Kxe4 61.Nd2+]



61.Re8 16.45/20
[⌓61.Nd6+ #17/18 Kg6 62.b7 Rc2+ 63.Kf1 Rc1+ 64.Re1 Rxe1+ 65.Kxe1 Kg7 66.b8Q]
61...Rc2+ 62.Kf1 12.72/20
[⌓62.Kg3 #17/20 Rxc3+ 63.Ne3+ Kg6 64.b7 Rb3 65.b8Q Rxb8 66.Rxb8 Kf6 67.Rb5]
62...Rc1+ 63.Ke2 Rb1 64.b7 g3 65.b8Q



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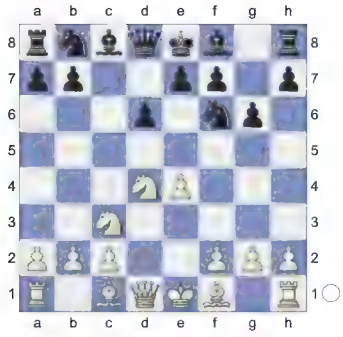
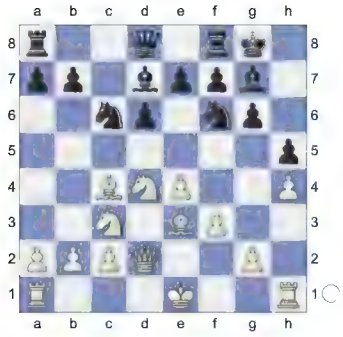
89 **B78**
□ **Literal Bagel** **2652**
■ **Bocchoiboi** **2732**
Blitz 04.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B78: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 0-0-0 Rc8
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Bc4 0-0 9.Qd2 Bd7 10.h4 h5



11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.Bb3 Rc8N
[12...Rb8 13.g4 b5 14.g5 Ne8 15.f4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.f5 Qa5 18.Nd5 Qxa2 19.Nxe7+ Kh7 20.Qc3 Be5 21.Rhf1 Nc7 22.Kd2 Nb5 23.Nxb5 Bxc3+ 24.Nxc3 Qa5 25.Ned5 f6 26.Ra1 Qd8 27.Rxa7 Rubes,J (2369)-Gazik,I (2258) Pardubice CZE 2019 [Chris Ward] 1-0 (37) Ra8 28.fxg6+ Kxg6 29.Nf4+ Kf7 30.g6+ Kg8 31.Rxa8 Qxa8 32.Nxh5 Qa5 33.Nxf6+ Rxf6 34.Rxf6

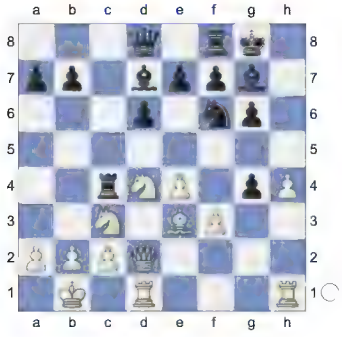
Qe5 35.Nd5 Qxe4 36.Rf8+ Kg7 37.Rg8+ 1-0 (37) 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Nc6 (2369)-Laine,P (2258) Montpellier 2019 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z]]

[12...b5 13.g4 a5 14.gxh5 Nxh5 15.Bh6 e6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.f4 a4 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.fxe5 dxe5 20.Ndxb5 Bxb5 21.Nxb5 Qb6 22.c4 Rac8 23.Qc3 Rc5 24.Rd7+ Kg8 25.Kb1 Nf4 26.Rhd1 Qc6 27.Qe3 Gabrielian,A (2456)-Williams,S (2464) chess.com INT 2021 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (48) Rxc4 28.Na7 Qxe4+ 29.Qxe4 Rxe4 30.Nc6 Re2 31.Ne7+ Kg7 32.Nf5+ Kf6 33.Nh6 e4 34.Ng4+ Kf5 35.Nh6+ Ke5 36.Ra7 Nd3 37.Ra5+ Kd4 38.Rxa4+ Ke3 39.Ra3 Kf3 40.Rb3 Rf2 41.h5 gxh5 42.Rh1 Gabrielian,A (2460)-Urazayev,A (2458) Chess.com INT 2022 ½-½ (48)]

13.Kb1 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.g4 -0.42/20

[15.b3= 0.08/18 Rc8 16.Bg5]

15...hxg4∓

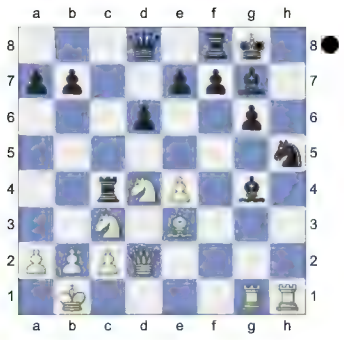


16.h5 Nxh5

[Much weaker is 16...gxh5 17.Qd3 Rxc3 18.Qxc3±]

17.fxg4 Bxg4 A strong pair of Bishops. Black is slightly better. **18.Rdg1**

(Diagram)



Qd7 -0.01/22

[Better is 18...e5!∓ -0.54/19 19.Ndb5 *(19.Nde2 Bf3)* 19...Bf3]

19.Nd5= Rfc8 ...e5 is the strong threat.

20.c3 -1.51/21

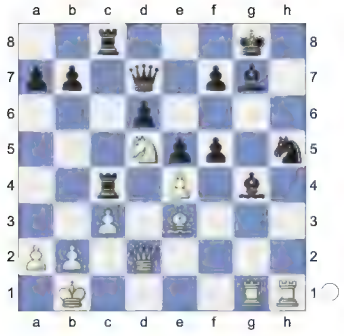
[But not 20.Rxg4 Qxg4 21.Nxe7+ Kh7 22.Nxc8 Qxe4∓]

[20.b3!= -0.18/21 remains equal. R4c5 21.Qg2]

20...e5∓

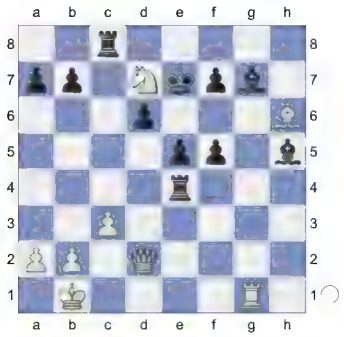
21.Nf5 gxf5 1.53/24

[21...Bxf5∓ -1.52/21 and life is bright. 22.exf5 Qxf5+ 23.Ka1 Qe6]

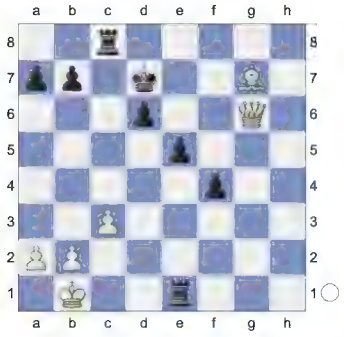


22.Rxh5! 1.07/19 **Rxe4± 23.Bh6!** &Bianco is more active. **23...Bxh5??**

12.84/23
[23...f6± 1.13/21]
24.Nf6+ 4.17/5
[⌓24.Rxg7+ 12.84/23 Kh8 25.Nf6]
24...Kf8+- 25.Nxd7+ Ke7

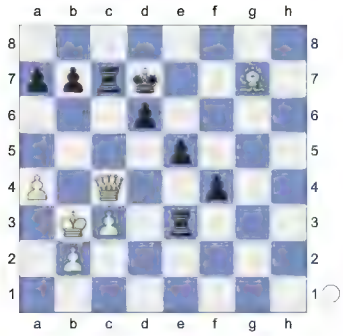


26.Bxg7 4.38/19
[⌓26.Qg5+ 9.77/22 Kxd7 27.Qxh5 Bxh6 28.Qxf7+ Kc6 29.Qxf5]
26...Kxd7 27.Qg5 Bg6 28.Qf6 f4 29.Rxg6 fxg6 30.Qxg6 Re1+

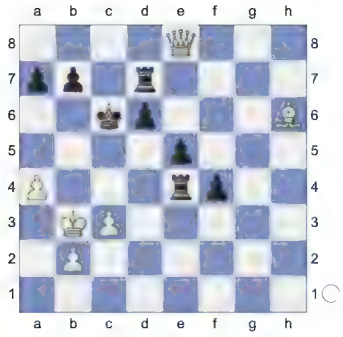


31.Kc2 Hoping for Bf6. **31...Re2+**
32.Kb3 Really sharp! **32...Re3?** 3.68/22
[32...Rd2 1.96/21]
33.Qf7+ Kc6 34.a4 Rc7 35.Qc4+ 1.38/5
[35.Qe8++- 3.65/25 is more deadly. Rd7 36.Bf6]
35...Kd7±

(Diagram)

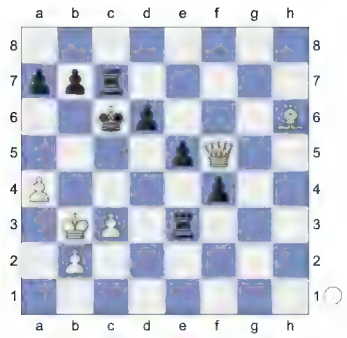


36.Qf7+ 0.01/5
[36.Qd5+- 3.50/21]
36...Kc6= 37.Qe8+ Rd7 3.53/23
[37...Kd5 2.36/23 might work better.]
38.Bh6 Re4? 5.05/27
[38...Kc7 2.31/22 keeps fighting. 39.a5 a6]
39.Qc8++- Rc7 40.Qe8+ 0.01/20
[White should try 40.Qf5+- 5.02/26 Kd5 41.Bf8]
40...Rd7!=
[40...Kd5? 41.Qg8+ Kc6 42.Qg2+-]

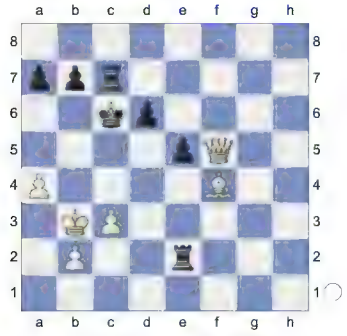


41.Qc8+ 0.01/19
[41.Qb8+- 3.82/25]
41...Rc7 42.Qf5 Re3 7.68/22
[⌓42...Kd5 4.80/22 43.Bf8 Re3]

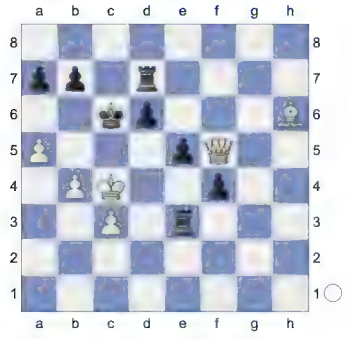
(Diagram)



43.a5 3.21/20
[⌓43.Bxf4! 7.68/22 Re2 *(43...Re1 44.Bg3)*

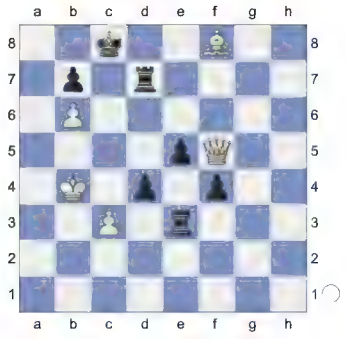


44.Qd3!]
43...Rd7 44.Kc4 1.43/17
[44.Bg5+- 3.40/23]
44...Kc7? 3.08/21
[44...Re4+± 1.43/17 45.Kb3 Re1]
45.b4 And now b5 would win. **45...Kc6?** 5.99/22
[45...a6 2.17/20 is tougher. 46.Kb3 Re1]

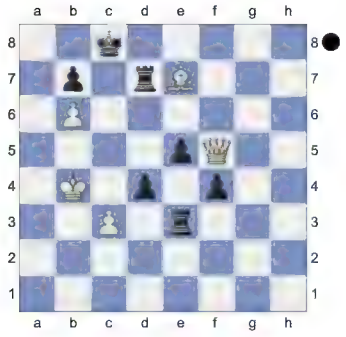


46.b5++- Kc7 47.Bf8 d5+ 7.74/21
[⌓47...f3 4.20/20 48.b6+ axb6]
48.Kb4 d4 49.b6+ White mates.

49...axb6 50.axb6+ Kc8



51.Be7



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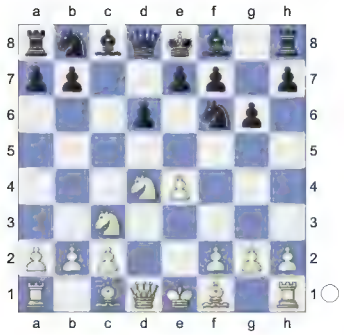
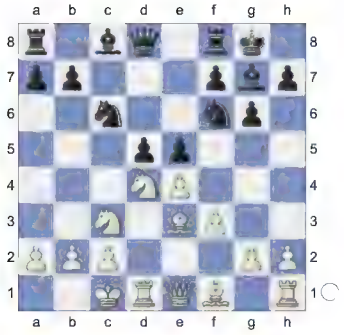
90 **B76**
□ **Kollars,Dmitrij** **2648**
■ **Fedorovsky,Michael** **2406**
2. Festival Open (6.2) 30.05.2024
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
Chris Ward: 'The first 16 moves of this game follow that of this month's Sevian-Le Tuan Minh and so rather than repeat those annotations up to then, I'm going to offer some more general observations.' Chris Ward: 'The first 16 moves of this game follow that of this month's Sevian-Le Tuan Minh and so rather than repeat those annotations up

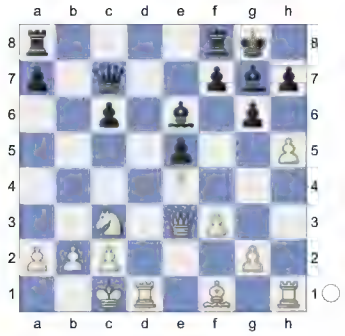
to then, I'm going to offer some more general observations.' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



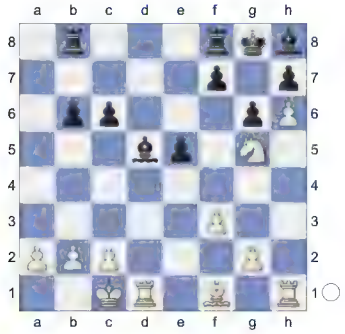
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.Qe1 e5



11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.h4
[13.Bc4 Be6 14.Ne4 *(14.Kb1 Rb8 15.Ne4 f5 16.Bxa7 Qe7 17.Bc5 Qb7 18.Bb3 fxe4 19.Bxf8 Rxf8 20.fxe4 Nf4 21.Qc3 Bxb3 22.Qxb3+ Qxb3 23.cxb3 Ne6 24.Rhf1 Rc8 25.Rd6 Nc5 26.Rfd1 Rc7 27.Rd8+ Kf7 28.b4 Ne6* Ganguly,S (2668)-Quintiliano Pinto,R (2484) Doha 2016 CBM 178 [Ris,Robert] 1-0 (48)) 14...Qc7 15.Bc5 Rfd8 16.g4 Nf4 17.Bxe6 Nxe6 18.Bd6 Qb6 19.g5 Nd4 20.Qf1 Rd7 21.Bc5 Qa5 22.Kb1 Rb7 23.c3 Ne6 24.Qc4 Rd8 25.Be3 Rdb8 26.b3 Qb5 27.Nd6 Qxc4 Andersen,P (2539)-Kastrati,A (2618) Vilnius 1998 CYB 12 [Peuraniemo+Arppi] 1-0 (57)]
13...Qc7 14.h5N -0.01/23
[14.Nxd5± 0.47/20 should be considered. cxd5 15.Rxd5 Bf5 16.Bd3 Bxd3 17.Rxd3 e4 18.fxe4 Rab8 19.Rb3 Rxb3 20.axb3 Qe5 21.c3 Qxe4 3.Dragon Main Line 9.O-O-O d5-10.Qe1 #2]
14...Nxe3= 15.Qxe3 Black should prevent Bc4. **15...Be6**
[15...e4!?]



Against Bc4 **16.h6 Bh8** 0.53/21
[16...Bf6= -0.06/23]
17.Qc5± Rab8 18.Ne4 Qb6 19.Qxb6 Active counter play! **19...axb6 20.Ng5** 0.01/22
[20.Rd6± 0.76/21]
20...Bd5!=



21.c4!

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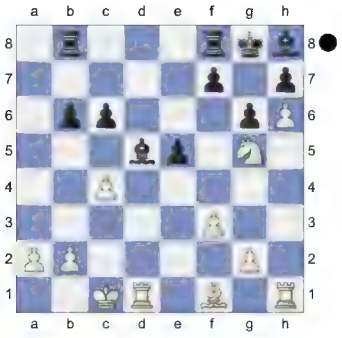
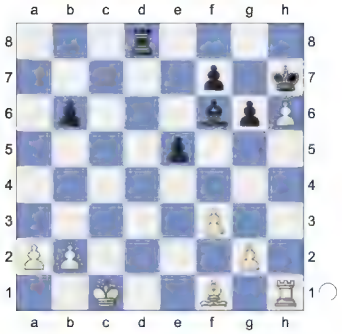
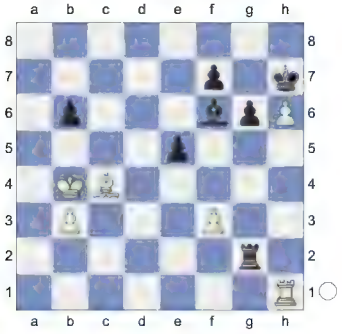


Bf6! 22.Nxh7
[22.f4 Be6]
22...Kxh7 23.cxd5 cxd5 24.Rxd5 Rfd8 25.Rxd8 Rxd8



Endgame KRB-KRB **26.Kc2 Rc8+ 27.Kb3 Rc1 28.Kb4 Rc2 29.b3** -0.39/24
[29.Kb3= 0.01/24 might be stronger. Rc1 30.g3]
29...Rxa2∓ 30.Bc4 Rxg2

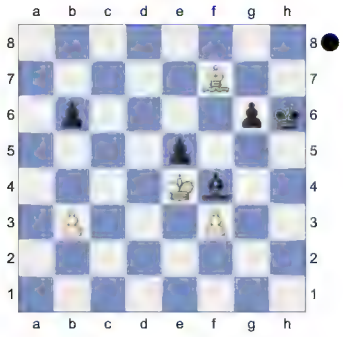


31.Bxf7 Rd2 32.Kb5 Rd3 33.Rf1 Rd6
The position is equal. **34.Rg1 Bh4 35.Rg4 Bf2**

(Diagram)

36.Rg2 Be3 37.Re2 Bf4 38.Rc2! Kxh6 39.Rc6 Rxc6 40.Kxc6 Be3

41.Kd5 Bf4 42.Ke4 -0.33/28
[42.Kc6= -0.01/29]



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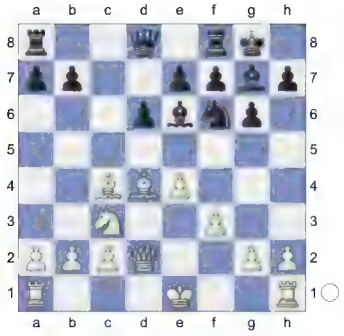
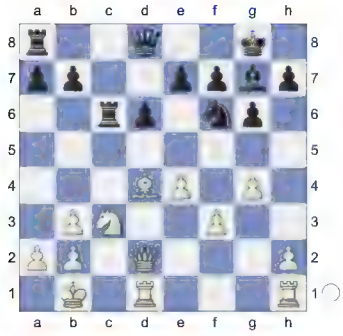
91 **B77**
□ **Mavi Alpha** **2644**
■ **Workmouse1** **2764**
Blitz 11.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B77: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 sidelines
Winants,L: 'Inf 56/232' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6



11.Bb3 Qa5 12.0-0-0 Bxb3 13.cxb3 Rfc8 14.Kb1 Qd8 1.20/20
[14...b5± 0.33/20]
[14...Rc6 15.g4 *(15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Kf8 18.Nxf6 exf6 19.Rc2 Rac8 20.Rhc1 Ke7 21.f4 Ke6 22.g4 g5 23.Rxc6 Rxc6 24.Rf1 gxf4 25.Rxf4 Ke5 26.Rf5+ Kxe4 27.Rh5 d5 28.Rxh7 d4 29.Rxf7 d3* Aswath,S (2251)-Damljanovic,B (2422) Belgrade 2023 1-0 *)* 15...Rac8 16.h4 h5 17.g5 Ne8 18.Bxg7 Nxg7 19.f4 a6 20.Rhf1 e6 21.Rf3 Qc5 22.Rd3 Ne8 23.Rd4 b5 24.b4 Qa7 25.f5 Rc4 26.Rxc4 Rxc4 27.a3 Qb6 28.fxe6 fxe6 29.e5 Winants,L (2505)-Sosonko,G (2535) Nederland 1992 CI1-130 [Winants, Luc] 1-0 (42)]
15.g4N
[15.h4 h5 16.g4 a6 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.gxh5 Rxc3 19.bxc3 Qa5 20.hxg6 1-0 (20) 9.0-0 0-0 10. ♖d1_79072 (2318)-Samolins,V (2077) 4: Chinese Championship, Xinghua 2012 EXT 97-B [Dragan Solak]]
15...Rc6 1.56/19
[⌓15...Qa5 1.08/19]

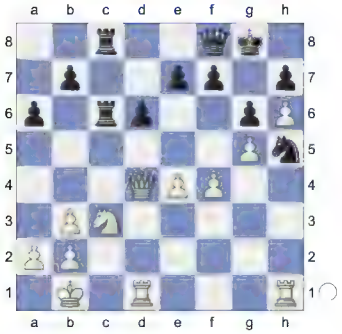


16.h4! Rac8

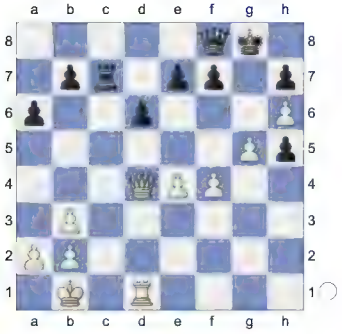
White is clearly better. **17.h5!**
[Inferior is 17.Bxa7 b6=]
17...a6 18.h6 Bh8 19.g5 Nh5 20.Bxh8 Kxh8

(Diagram)

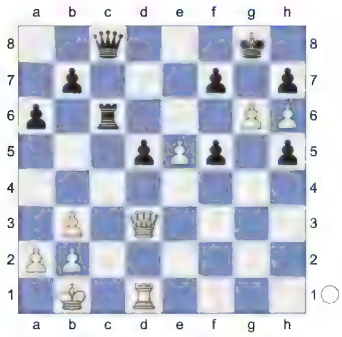
21.f4 And now Qd4+ would win.
21...Kg8 1.98/20
[21...e6± 1.41/17 22.Rh3 Kg8]
22.Qd4 Qf8



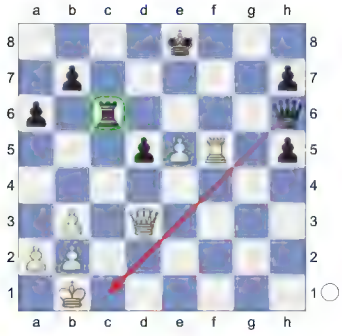
23.Rxh5 gxh5 24.Nd5 Against f6
24...R8c7 2.25/20
[24...Re8 1.84/20 was worth a try. 25.f5 Rc5]
25.Nxc7→ White is out for blood.
25...Rxc7



Endgame KQR-KQR **26.e5 Rc6**
27.Qe4 e6 28.f5 1.29/20
[28.Qh1+- 1.80/20]
28...d5± 29.Qd3 0.68/19
[29.Qd4± 1.22/20]
29...Qc8 1.44/18
[29...Qb4!± 0.68/19]
30.g6 exf5? 3.08/22
[30...fxg6± 1.16/23 31.fxg6 Qf8]

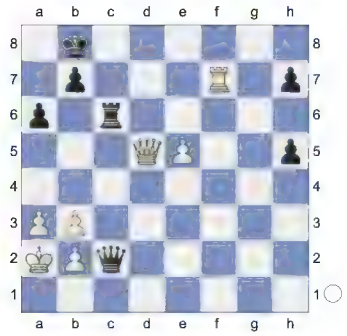


31.gxf7++- Kxf7 32.Rg1? 0.46/20
[White must play 32.Qxd5++- 2.40/20 Qe6 33.Qd8]
32...Qe6? 4.40/22
[32...Ke6± 0.46/20]
33.Rg7+? 0.42/19
[33.Qg3+- 4.40/22 Qg6 34.e6+ Kxe6 35.Qe3+ Kf7 36.Rxg6 Kxg6 37.Qe7 Kxh6 38.Qxb7]
33...Kf8± 34.Rg5 Ke8 35.Rxf5 0.01/24
[35.a3± 0.44/21]
35...Qxh6=

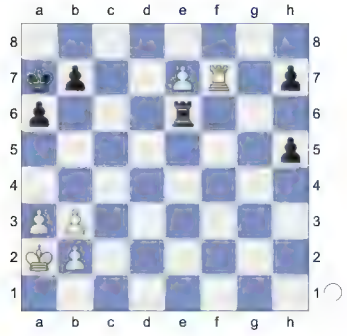


36.a3! Qc1+! 37.Ka2 Qc2? 9.09/25
[37...Rc2= -0.01/19 38.Rf8+ *(38.Qd4? Rd2-+)* 38...Ke7 39.Rf7+ Kxf7 40.Qf5+ Ke8 41.Qe6+ Kf8 42.Qf6+ Kg8 43.Qe6+ Kh8 44.Qf6+ Kg8 45.Qe6+ Kh8 46.Qf6+ Kg8]
38.Qf3+- Kd7 39.Rf7+? 2.41/5
[39.Qxd5+ 14.81/22 Kc7 40.e6 Qxf5 41.Qxf5]

39...Kc8 40.Qxd5 Intending Qd7+ and mate. **40...Kb8**

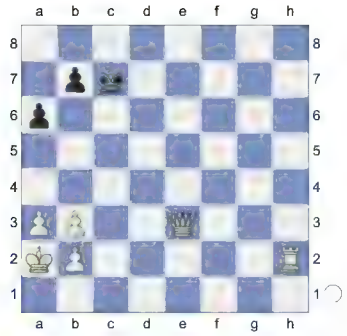


41.e6 Ka7 42.Qd4+ 7.71/24
[⌓42.e7 #8/18 Rc7 43.e8Q Qc1 44.Qed8 Qc5 45.Rxc7 Qb6 46.Q8d6 h6 47.Qxb6+ Kxb6 48.Rxb7#]
42...Rb6 43.Qd5? 0.01/24
Active counter play!
[White should try 43.Rf6+- 7.79/25 e7 would kill now. Qc6 44.Qe3]
43...Qc6 0.80/21
[43...Rc6!= 0.01/24 keeps the balance. 44.e7 h4 45.e8Q Rc7 46.Qe3+ Ka8 47.Qb6 Qxb2+ 48.Kxb2 h3 49.Rf8+ Rc8 50.Rxc8#]
44.Qxc6± Rxc6 KR-KR **45.e7 Re6**

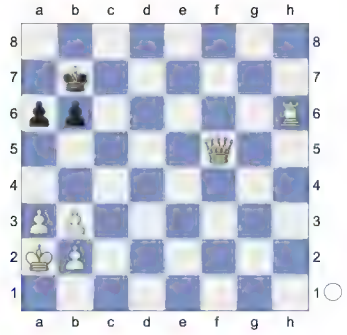


46.Rxh7 h4 47.e8Q h3? #4/10
48.Qxe6 h2 49.Qe3+ Kb8 50.Rxh2 Kc7

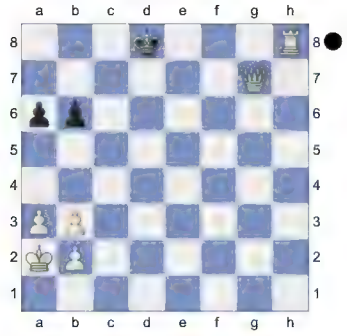
(Diagram)



51.Rh7+ Kc6 52.Qc3+ 19.21/5
[⌓52.Qe6+ #3/8 Kc5 53.Rh5+ Kd4 54.Rd5#]
52...Kb5 53.Qf6 White mates. **53...b6 54.Qf5+ Kc6 55.Rh6+ Kb7**



56.Qh7+ Kc8 57.Qg7 Kd8 58.Rh8#



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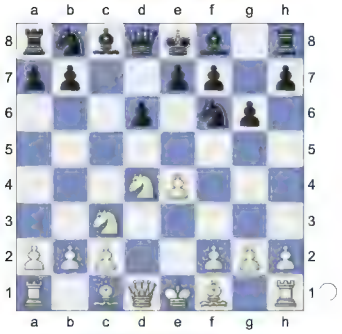
92 **B76**
□ **Vokhidov,Shamsiddin** **2644**
■ **Blokhin,Sofia** **2057**
FIDE World Bl Team Pool C blitz (11.4)
[Kitty Kat]

B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
The Positional Yugoslav!:- A lesson to black that weaknesses can prove fatal Our thanks go to young English IM Richard Pert for sending in this contribution. (My remarks follow a CHRIS:) **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Be6 14.Ne4 Re8 15.Bc4 Qc7

(Diagram)

16.g4 Nf4N
[16...Red8 17.Qf2 *(17.Qe1 Nf4 18.Rxd8+ Rxd8 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Bb4 Rd5 21.g5 h5 22.h4 Nd4 23.Rf1 Qc8 24.Kb1 Qf5 25.a3 Qh3 26.f4 Qh2 27.Qf2 Qxf2 28.Rxf2 Nf5 29.Bc3 Nxh4 30.fxe5 Bxe5 31.Nf6+ Bxf6* Arsenault,N (2130)-Pert,R (2417) Gibraltar 2005 [rp] 0-1 (51)*)* 17...Rd7 *(17...Nf4 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.Bd6 Qa5 20.Kb1 Rd7 21.c3 Rad8 22.Qh4 h6 23.Rd2 Ng5 24.Bb4 Qc7 25.Rhd1 Rxd2 26.Rxd2 Rxd2 27.Nxd2 Qd7 28.Qf2 Nxf3 29.Qxf3 Qxd2 30.a4 Qe1+ 31.Ka2 e4 32.Qf4* Main lines after 3 d4 cxd4 #1 (2466)-Garcia Padron,J (2368) Borlange 2014 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] ½-½ (45)) 18.Rd3 Rad8 19.Rhd1 Nf4 20.Rxd7 Rxd7 21.Rxd7 Qxd7 22.Qd2 Qc7 23.Bxe6 Nxe6 24.Be3 Nd4 25.c3 Nxf3 26.Qf2 f5 27.gxf5 gxf5 28.Qxf3 fxe4 29.Qxe4 Qd7 30.Qc4+ Kh8 31.Qa6 Gallagher,J (2519)-Elsness,F (2411) Gausdal NOR 2001 [Chris Ward] 1-0 (54)]
[16...Rad8 17.Qe1 Nf4 18.Bd6 Qb6 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Rd3 c5 21.Qc3 f5 22.gxf5 gxf5 23.Bxc5 Qa6 24.Rxd8 Rxd8 25.Nd2 Rc8 26.b4 Qxa2 27.Rg1 Nd4 28.Qd3 Kh8 29.f4 Qa1+ 30.Nb1 e4 31.Qc4 De la Riva Aguado,O (2510)-Lautier,J (2625)

Escaldes 1998 CBM 068 [Tsesarsky, Ilya] 0-1 (50)]

17.Bxe6 Nxe6 White is slightly better.

18.Bd6 Qb6 19.h4 0.32/19

[⌓19.Kb1 0.66/20]

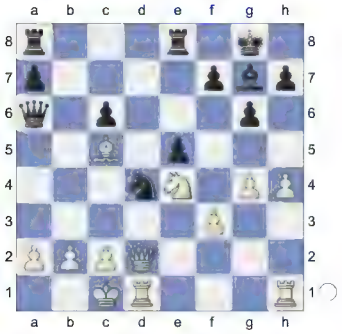
19...Nd4 0.76/19

[19...Rad8± 0.32/19 might be stronger.]

20.Bc5 Qa6 1.00/20

[20...Nxf3? 21.Qe3 Qa6 22.Qxf3+-]

[20...Qb5± 0.67/20]



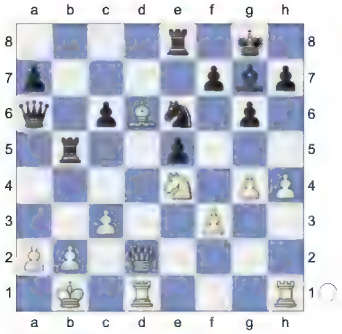
21.Kb1± Rab8 1.56/20

[⌓21...h6 1.15/19]

22.c3↑ White is in control. **22...Ne6**

[22...Nxf3? 23.Qg2 Nd4 24.cxd4+-]

23.Bd6! Rb5



24.h5 0.63/19

[24.c4!± 1.17/21 Rb7 25.h5]

24...Rd5± 25.Qc2 Nf4 1.55/24

[Black should try 25...Rxd1+ 0.71/19 26.Rxd1 Rd8]

(Diagram)

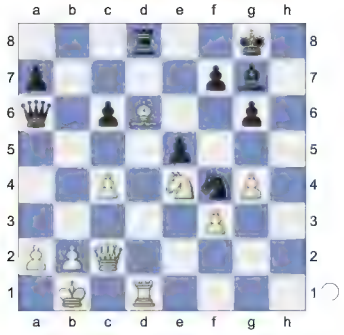
26.c4 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 Rd8? 3.62/22

[27...h6± 1.57/18 might work better. 28.hxg6 Nxg6]

28.hxg6? 1.06/22

[28.h6+- 3.62/22 Bf8 29.Nf6+ Kh8 30.Bxf8 Rxf8 31.Qc3]

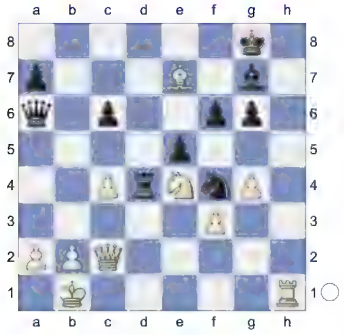
28...hxg6±



29.Rh1! Hoping for Be7. **29...f6**

[29...f5? 30.gxf5 c5 31.Be7 gxf5 32.Nxc5+-]

30.Be7 &Bianco is more active. **30...Rd4**

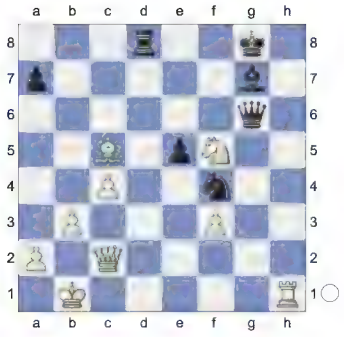


31.b3 0.01/21

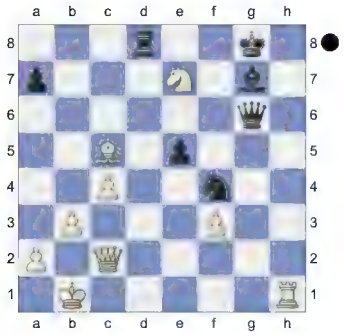
[Don't go for 31.Nxf6+? Kf7 32.Nh5 *(32.Rh7? Kxe7 33.Nh5 Kf8-+)* 32...Rxc4-+]

[31.Bc5± 1.09/21 Rd3 32.Nf2

(32.Qh2 Ne6±)]
31...f5? 4.58/21
[31...Qa5!= 0.01/21 and Black has nothing to worry.]
32.gxf5+- gxf5 33.Ng3 c5? 6.85/21
[33...Qa5 3.42/22]
34.Nxf5 White is clearly winning.
[Don't blunder 34.Qxf5? Rd2 35.Qh7+ Kf7 36.Qf5+ Kxe7-+]
34...Qg6 35.Bxc5 Ne7+ is the strong threat. **35...Rd8**



36.Ne7+



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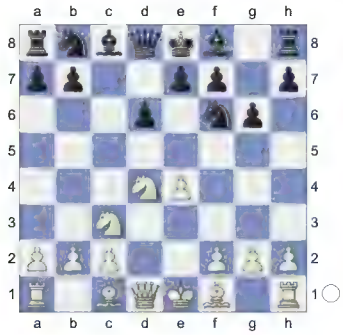
93 **B76**
□ **Buildorderbot** **2641**
■ **Inci2019** **2526**
Blitz 02.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

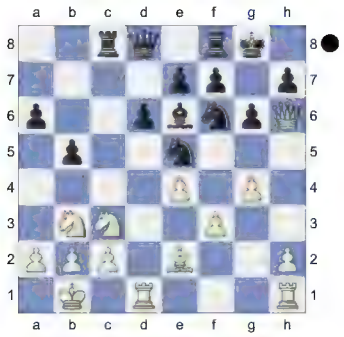
Blitz 3min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



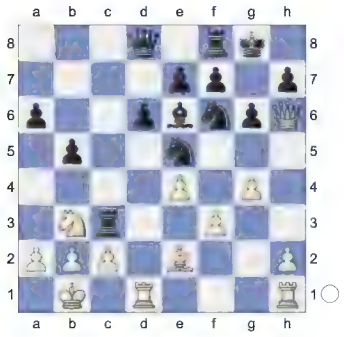
6.f3 Bg7 7.Be3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Nb3 a6N
[9...Be6 10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.g4 Nb4 12.Kb1 Nd7 13.Bd4 Ne5 14.Be2 a5 Yugoslav Attack White's Premature 9. ♘b3?! 2003]
[9...Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rb8 11.Kb1 a6 12.h4 h5 13.Bh6 Ne5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Qb6 17.Be2 Rbc8 18.g4 hxg4 19.fxg4 Nxg4 20.Bxg4 Bxg4 21.Rdf1 Rh8 22.Nd4 Rh5 23.Rhg1 Bd7 24.Qe3 7.♗d2 e6 8. ♕e2 ♗b4 9.î€,e (2628)-Knorreredlich (2599) Sweden 2019 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] ½-½ (53)]
10.0-0-0 b5

11.Bh6 Be6 0.27/19
[⌓11...Bb7 -0.10/15]
12.Kb1 Rc8 13.g4 -0.39/16
[13.h4= 0.02/17 should be considered.]

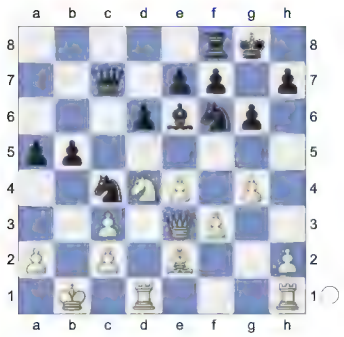
13...Ne5 0.16/20
[13...Bxh6∓ -0.39/16 14.Qxh6 Ne5]
14.Be2 -0.46/17
[14.Bxg7!= 0.16/20 Kxg7 15.g5]
14...Bxh6!∓ 15.Qxh6



Rxc3!

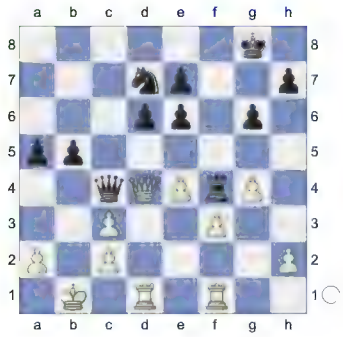


16.bxc3 Qc7 17.Qe3 a5 0.22/17
[17...Bc4∓ -0.33/19]
18.Nd4 -0.51/20
[18.g5= 0.22/17 Nfd7 19.f4 *(19.Bxb5 Rb8=)*]
18...Nc4? 1.17/18
[18...Bc4!∓ -0.51/20 stays ahead.]



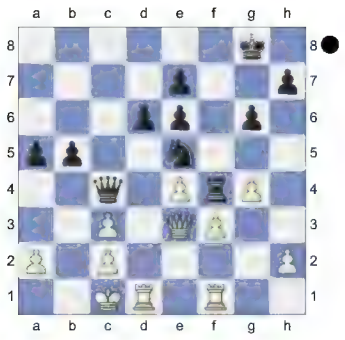
19.Nxe6!± fxe6 20.Bxc4 Qxc4
(Diagram)

21.Qd4 0.62/20
[White should play 21.Qa7± 0.98/20 Re8 22.Qxa5]
21...Nd7 22.Rhf1 -0.01/19
[22.Qxc4± 0.46/19 bxc4 23.Rdf1]
22...Rf4 0.93/17
[22...Qc6= -0.01/19 keeps the balance.]

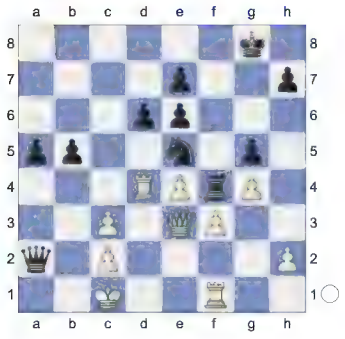


23.Kc1? -1.13/20
[23.Qxc4!± 0.93/17 bxc4 24.Kc1]
23...Ne5 0.35/21
[23...Qxa2∓ -1.13/20 And now ...Ne5 would win. 24.Qd3 Ne5 25.Qxb5 Nxf3]
24.Qe3? -11.54/20
[24.Qxc4± 0.35/21 Nxc4 25.Rf2]

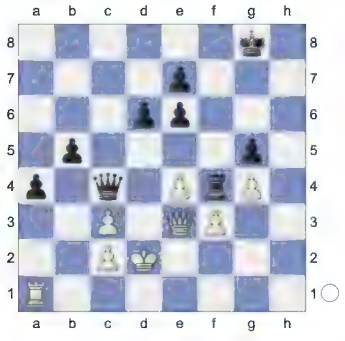
(Diagram)



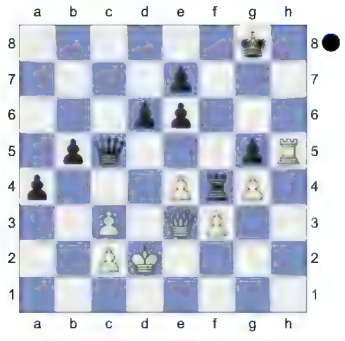
24...Qxa2!-+ (-> ...Nc4!) **25.Rd4**
[25.Qe2 Nc4]
25...g5? -2.47/21
[25...Qa1+ -13.19/23 26.Kd2 Qxf1 27.Qxf4 a4]



26.Kd2 Nc4+ -1.34/20
[26...Qb2-+ -2.77/20 aiming for ...h6. 27.h3 b4 28.cxb4 axb4]
27.Rxc4∓ Qxc4 Endgame KQR-KQR
28.Ra1 -2.08/21
[28.Rb1∓ -1.23/21 was necessary.]
28...a4-+ 29.h4 h6 30.hxg5 hxg5



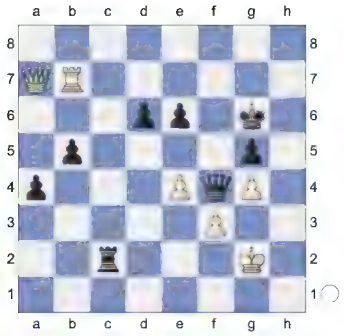
31.Rh1 Qc5 -0.53/20 Against Qa7
[31...e5-+ -1.79/21 32.Rb1 a3]
32.Rh5? -2.37/24
[Better is 32.Rb1∓ -0.53/20]



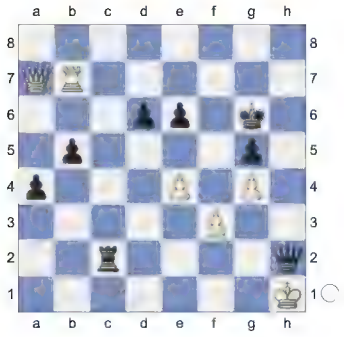
32...Kf7? -0.01/25
[Black should try 32...a3!-+ -2.37/24 Threatens to win with ...Qxe3+. 33.Qxc5 dxc5]
33.Rh7+? -1.58/23
[33.Qxf4+!= -0.01/25 gxf4 34.Rxc5 dxc5 35.c4]
33...Kg6? -0.01/23
[33...Ke8∓ -1.58/23 34.Rh5 Qxe3+ 35.Kxe3 Rf8 36.Rxg5 e5]
34.Rxe7= Qe5 Dancing on a razor blade. **35.Rb7** -1.37/21
[35.Qd4!= -0.13/20 remains equal.]
35...Rf8

36.Ke2 -2.54/24
[36.Kc1∓ -1.12/22]
36...Rc8-+ 37.Qa7? -14.58/20
[37.Qd4 -1.65/21]
37...Qxc3 38.Kf2 Qd2+ 39.Kg3 Qf4+ 40.Kg2 Rxc2+

(Diagram)



41.Kh1 Qh2#



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94 **B73**
□ **Bacrot,Etienne** **2637**
■ **Matinian,Nikita** **2415**
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[Kitty Kat]

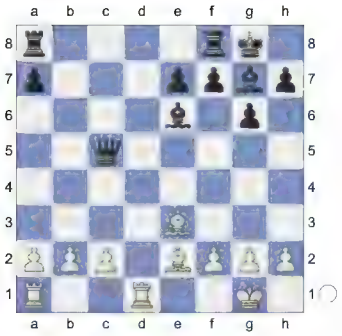
B73: Sicilian Dragon: Classical System without 9 Nb3
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

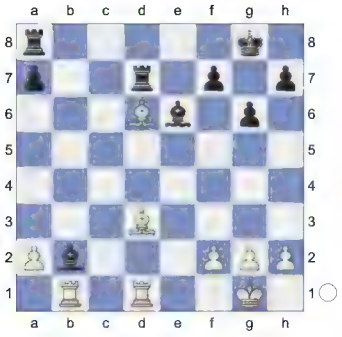
6.Be2 Bg7 7.Be3 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Qd2 d5 10.Nxc6 bxc6

11.Rfd1N
[11.e5 Ne8 *(11...Ng4 12.Bxg4 Bxg4 13.f4 f6 14.Bd4 Qa5* 5. – Contra Ae2 con enroque-6.Ae2 Ag7 7.O-O #50*)* 12.f4 f6 13.Bf3 Rb8 14.Bxa7 Rxb2 15.Bd4 fxe5 16.fxe5 Bf5 17.Rfc1 Rb8 *(17...Rb4 18.Rab1 Rc4 19.Rb7 Nd6 20.Bb6 Qe8* B 73/08 *)* 18.Na4 Nc7 19.Nc5 Nb5 20.c3 Na3 21.e6 Nc4 22.Qg5 Ne5 23.Bxe5 Bxe5 24.Nd7 Qc7 25.Qxe7 Bxh2+ Yemelin,V (2385)-Kovacevic,A (2355) Leningrad 1991 0-1]
11...Qc7 12.exd5 The position is equal.
[12.Rac1 looks sharper. Nxe4 13.Nxe4 dxe4 14.b3]
12...cxd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Qxd5 Be6! 15.Qc5 Qxc5

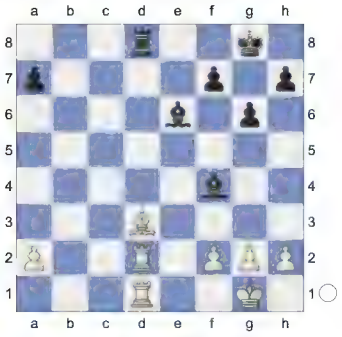
(Diagram)



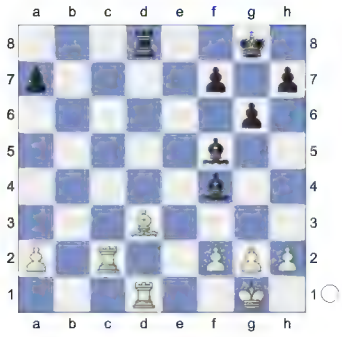
16.Bxc5 Bxb2 17.Rab1 Rfc8 0.19/23
18.Bxe7=
[Much weaker is 18.Rxb2 Rxc5 19.Rd4 Rac8∓]
18...Rxc2 19.Bd3 Rc7 1.20/22
[19...Bf5± 0.65/22]
20.Bd6±
[But not 20.Rxb2?! Rxe7 21.Ba6 Ree8=]
20...Rd7



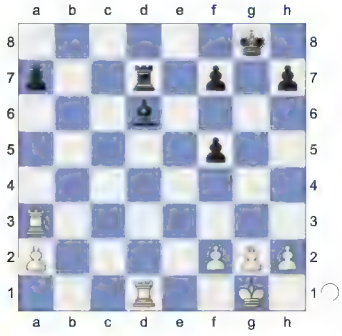
21.Bb5↑ White is really pushing.
21...Rxd6 22.Rxd6 Be5 23.Rd2 Rb8 24.Bd3 Rd8 25.Rbd1 Bf4



26.Rc2 1.17/22
[⌓26.Re2 1.49/21]
26...Bf5 1.98/23
[26...Bg4± 1.17/22 27.f3 Bf5]

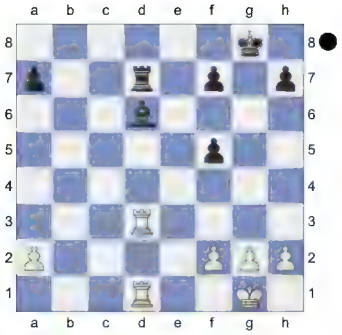


27.Rc3 1.30/23
[White should play 27.Rc4!+- 1.98/23]
27...Be5 1.98/25
[27...Bg4± 1.30/23 28.Rb1 Be6]
28.Ra3 1.44/22
[28.Rc5+- 1.98/25]
28...Rd7 2.19/23
[28...Bg4± 1.44/22 was necessary. 29.Re1 Bb2]
29.Bc2+- And now Rxd7 would win.
29...Bd6? 5.41/24
[29...Rxd1+ 2.16/19 is more resistant. 30.Bxd1 Bd4]
30.Bxf5 gxf5



31.Rad3

(Diagram)



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95 **B74**
□ **Alekseenko,Kirill** **2632**
■ **Mikaelyan,Arman** **2456**
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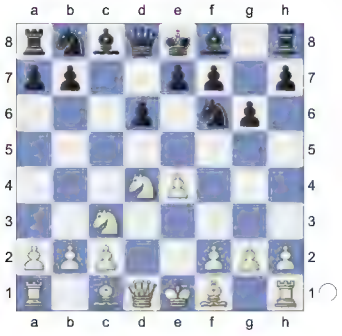
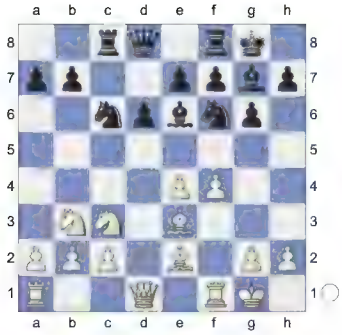
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min
B74: Sicilian Dragon: Classical System with 9 Nb3
1.e4 1 **c5** 8 **2.Nf3** 2 **d6** 0 **3.d4** 3 **cxd4** 1 **4.Nxd4** 1 **Nf6** 0 **5.Nc3** 0 **g6** 1



6.Be2 5 **Bg7** 0 **7.0-0** 0 **0-0** 1 **8.Be3** 1 **Nc6** 1 **9.Nb3** 1 **Be6** 8 **10.f4** 2 **Rc8** 2

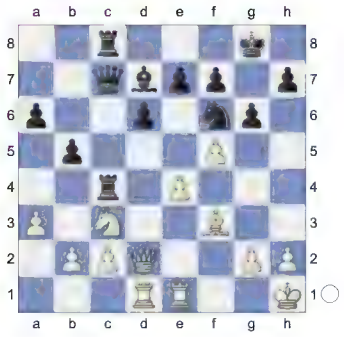
(Diagram)



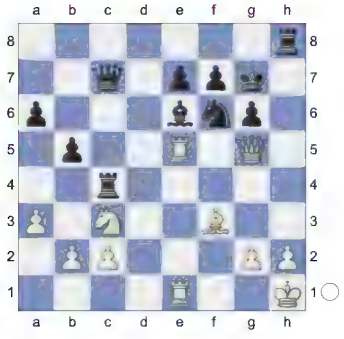
11.Kh1 4 **a6** 11 **12.Bf3** 13
[12.a4 Na5 13.Bd4 Bxb3 14.cxb3 e6 Comp Dragon-Classical Mainline ChessPub Guide 2024 Dragons [Chris Ward]]
12...b5N 15
[12...Bc4 13.Rf2 e5 14.Rd2 exf4 15.Rxd6 Qc7 16.Bxf4 Ne8 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.Qxd5 Nxd6 19.Bxd6 Qd8 20.Bxf8 Qxf8 21.c3 Be5 5. – Contra Ae2 con enroque-6.Ae2 Ag7 7.O-O #17]
[12...Nd7 13.Rb1 Bc4 14.Rf2 b5 15.e5 b4 16.Ne4 d5 17.Bg4 Rc7 18.Ng5 e6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nxe6 Qc8 21.Nxc7 Qxc7 22.Nd4 B5 Bd6-4.Bg5 (Byrne) / e5 Nd5 Agde 2011 CBM 45 group4 [Lane, CCYB6]]
[12...Na5 13.e5 Ne8 14.Nxa5 Qxa5 15.Bg4 Bxg4 16.Qxg4 Rd8 17.e6 Qf5 18.Qxf5 gxf5 19.Bb6 Ra8 20.Rae1 Nf6 21.Bd4 Rac8 22.Nd1 Ne4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.exf7 Rxc2 25.Ne3 Rxb2 26.Nxf5+ Kf6 27.Rxe4 Vadalia,J-Sydney Russia 1990 Inf 9 [Bennett,William] 1-0 (42)]
13.a3 3 **Nd7** 55 **14.Nd4** 26 **Nxd4** 34 Black has an edge. **15.Bxd4** 0 **Bxd4** 33

(Diagram)

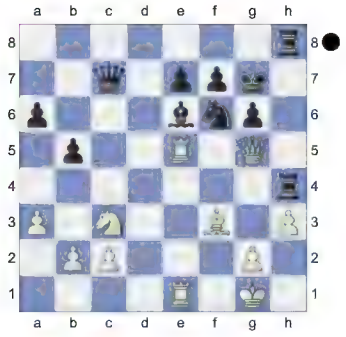
16.Qxd4 3 **Rc4** 4 **17.Qd2** 6 **Nf6** 14 **18.Rad1** -0.29/18 1:20
[18.f5 0.12/17 deserves consideration. gxf5 19.Rae1]
18...Qc7= 2 **19.Rfe1** 11 **Rc8** 17 **20.f5** 22 **Bd7** 6



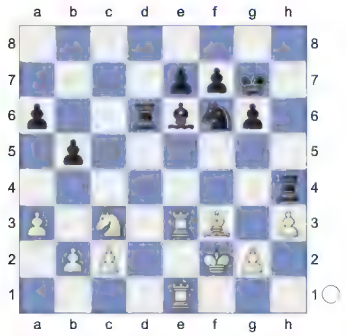
21.fxg6! 1:10 **hxg6** 0
[21...fxg6? 22.e5 dxe5 23.Bd5+ Kg7 24.Bxc4 bxc4 25.Nd5 Nxd5 26.Qxd5+-]
22.Qg5 -0.65/20 2
[Better is 22.Nd5= -0.10/18 Nxd5 23.exd5]
22...Be6∓ 24 **23.e5** 21 **dxe5** 10 **24.Rxe5** 0 **Kg7** 1:35 **25.Rde1** 14 **Rh8** 19



Strongly threatening ...Nd7. **26.h3** -1.83/21 41
[26.Kg1∓ -1.23/20]
26...Rch4 -0.65/20 9
[26...Bg4-+ -1.83/21 27.Bd5 *(27.Bxg4 Nxg4 28.Nd5 Qb8∓; 27.Rxe7? Rxh3+ 28.gxh3 Bxf3+ 29.Kg1 Rg4+ 30.Qxg4 Qc5+ 31.Kf1 Nxg4-+)* 27...Rxc3 28.bxc3 Bxh3! 29.gxh3 Nxd5]
27.Kg1 8

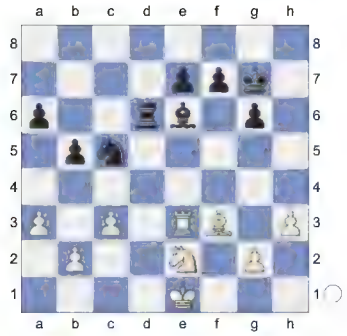


Qb6+ -0.22/17 20
[27...Bxh3!∓ -0.57/19 28.gxh3 Rxh3]
28.Qe3= 3 **Qxe3+** 17 **29.R5xe3** 0 **Rd8** 7 **30.Kf2** 1:06 **Rd6** -0.11/19 13
[30...Rc4∓ -0.44/18]

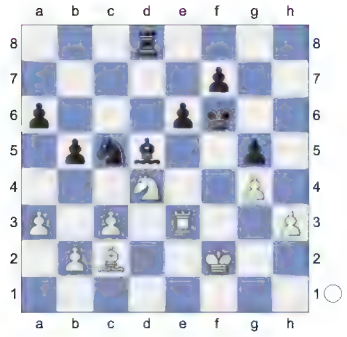


31.Rd1 10 **Rhd4** 6 **32.Rxd4** 2 **Rxd4** 0 **33.Ke1** 3 **Nd7** 5 **34.Ne2** 3 **Rd6** 4 **35.c3** -0.56/19 4
[35.Nf4= -0.08/19]
35...Nc5 9

(Diagram)

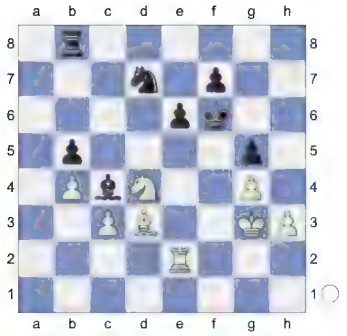


aiming for ...Nd3+. **36.Nd4** 1 **Kf6** 16
37.g4 -0.39/22 4
[37.b4= 0.01/21 Nd7 38.Nxe6 fxe6 39.Be4]
37...g5 -0.05/21 7
[37...Bc4∓ -0.39/22 38.g5+ Kxg5 39.Re5+ Kf4 40.Rxc5 e5]
38.Bd1 -0.41/21 2
[38.b4!= -0.05/21 is more appropriate. Nd7 39.Nxe6 fxe6 40.Ke2]
38...Bd5∓ 12 **39.Bc2** -0.75/21 6
[39.Nf5∓ -0.44/21 Rd7 40.Bc2]
39...e6 3 **40.Kf2** 5 **Rd8** 2

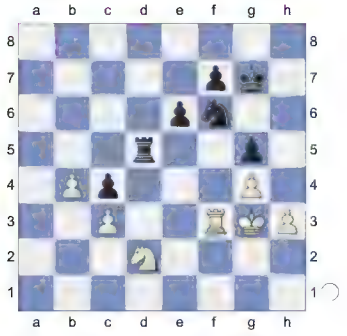


41.Kg3 2 **Rb8** 13 **42.Re2** 1 **a5** 0.19/22 9
[42...Rc8∓ -0.54/19]
43.b4= 20 **axb4** 4 **44.axb4** 1 **Nd7** 14
45.Bd3 5 **Bc4** 4

(Diagram)



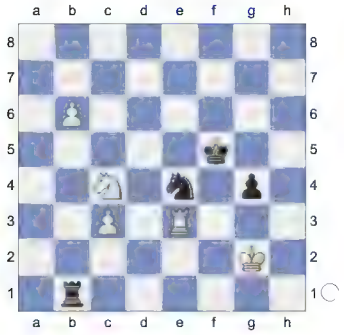
46.Rf2+ 10 **Kg7** 2 **47.Bxc4** 8 **bxc4** 0
Endgame KRN-KRN **48.Nf3** 2 **Rb5** 3
49.Nd2 8 **Nf6** 3 **50.Rf3** 17 **Rd5** 5



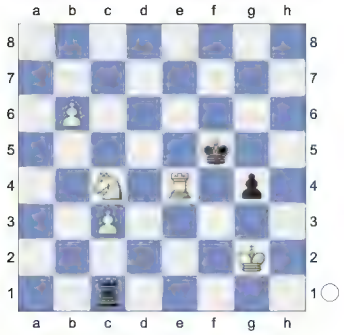
51.Nxc4 2 **Ne4+** 1 **52.Kg2** 2 **Rd1** 0.82/22 5
[52...f5= 0.21/22]
53.Re3 0.36/22 2
[53.b5± 0.82/22]
53...f5± 1 **54.b5** 8 **Rb1** 0.74/24 2
[54...Kf6!= 0.20/20 remains equal.]
55.b6± 1 Threatens to win with Re2.
55...Kf6 0

56.gxf5 0.63/22 5
[56.Re2!± 1.36/22]
56...exf5± 1 **57.Rd3** 0.13/20 1
[57.Re2± 0.49/22]

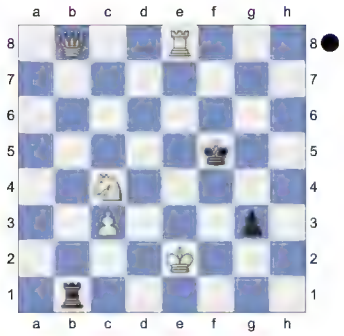
57...g4 0.69/19 5
[Black should play 57...Ke6= 0.13/20]
58.hxg4 5 **fxg4** 0 **59.Re3** 9 **Kf5** 5.86/22 6
[59...Nc5!± 0.43/19]



This move loses the game for Black.
60.Rxe4!+- 4 **Rc1** 9
[60...Kxe4 61.Nd2+]



61.Re8 14 White threatens b7 and mate.
61...Rc2+ 2 **62.Kf1** 3 Threatening mate with Ne3+. **62...Rc1+** 7 **63.Ke2** 2 White wants to mate with b7. **63...Rb1** 1 **64.b7** 3 **g3** 4 **65.b8Q** 1



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96 **B70**
□ **Ajedrezsinlimites** **2625**
■ **Daddy Calling** **3012**
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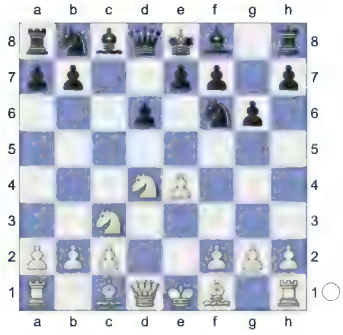
[Kitty Kat]

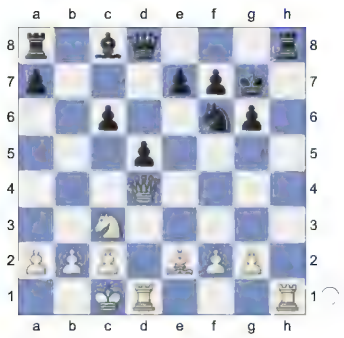
Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



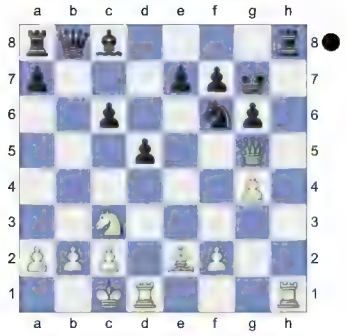
6.h4 Bg7 7.Be2 Nc6 8.Be3 0-0 9.h5 d5
[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 11.hxg6 fxg6 12.Qd2 Qa5 13.a3 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Bxd4 16.Ng5 Bd5 17.f3 Bxb2 18.Rab1 Be5 19.Kd1 Bf4 20.Ne4 Rac8 21.Bd3 b6 22.Rb4 Bc6 23.Nf2 Be3 24.Nh3 Bures,J (2424)-Rybackova,L (1876) Znojmo 2023 1-0 (45)]
10.hxg6 hxg6

(Diagram)

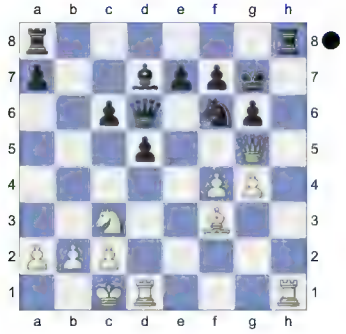
11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bh6N -0.89/21
[12.e5= -0.07/18 Ne4 13.Nxe4 dxe4 14.Bd4 Be6 *(14...Qa5+ 15.Bc3 Qd5 16.Qc1* B 72/05 *)* 15.Qd2 c5 16.Bc3 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 f5 18.Ke3 Kf7 19.g4 Rh8 20.gxf5 gxf5 21.Bh5+ Kf8 22.Rag1 Bh6+ 23.Ke2 Rb8 24.Rg6 Rb6 25.Ke1 Bc1 26.b3 Bf7 27.Rxb6 axb6 28.Bf3 Rxh1+ 29.Bxh1 Loheac Amoun,F (2121)-5.a3 ♗c3 6.bc3 ♘h5_51515 (2111) BRD - CSSR 13/414 1999 CBM 78 [BCM 1891 p480] 1-0 (52) Bd5 30.Kd1 Bf4 31.Ke2 Kf7 32.f3 exf3+ 33.Bxf3 Bxf3+ 34.Kxf3 Bc1 35.Ba1 Ke6 36.c4 Kf7 37.Bc3 e6 38.a4 Ba3 39.Ke2 Kg6 40.Kd1 f4 41.Ke2 Kf5 42.Kf3 Bb4 43.Bb2 Bd2 44.Ke2 Lelumees,B (2121)-Touloumis,A (2111) Patras 1999 CBM 72 ext [Rogozenko] 1-0 (52)]
12...Nxe4 -0.22/20
[12...Bxh6∓ -0.89/21 13.Rxh6 d4]
13.Bxg7= Kxg7 14.Qd4+ Nf6 15.0-0-0! Rh8



16.g4 -0.76/22
[16.Na4= -0.19/19 remains equal.]
16...Qb6↑ Keeping White busy. **17.Qe5** Black must now prevent Rxh8. **17...Qb8!** Chess con chili.
[17...Rb8? 18.Rxh8 Kxh8 19.g5 Qxb2+ 20.Kd2+-]
18.Qg5



Bd7! 19.f4 Qd6 Threatens to win with ... Nxg4! **20.Bf3** -3.14/20
[20.f5!∓ -0.61/19]



20...Rab8 -1.82/18
[⌓20...Nxg4! -3.14/20 21.Ne4 *(21.Bxg4? f6-+; 21.f5 Bxf5)* 21...Qc7]

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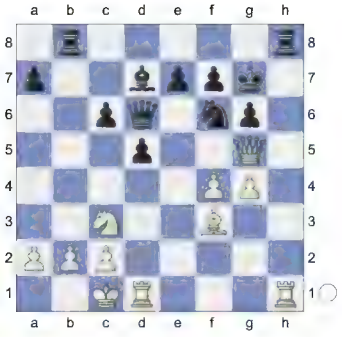
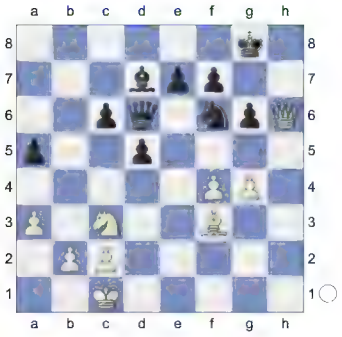


21.a3? -3.70/20
[21.Rde1 -1.82/18]
21...a5? -0.56/19
[21...Nxg4-+ -3.70/20 22.f5 *(22.Bxg4? f6-+)* 22...Ne5 23.Rxh8 Rxh8]
22.Rde1 -2.06/22
[22.f5!∓ -0.56/19]
22...Rxh1 23.Rxh1 Qh6+ would kill now. **23...Rh8** Against Qh6+ **24.Rxh8 Kxh8 25.Qh6+** -2.29/20
[25.f5 -1.63/20 might work better.]
25...Kg8-+



26.Qg5 Kg7 27.Ne2 -3.50/22
[27.Kb1 -2.40/20 was necessary.]
27...Qc5 28.Qe5 Prevents Qe3+.
28...Qf2 29.Bxd5? -#1/6
[29.Qc3-+ -3.57/25 c5 30.g5]

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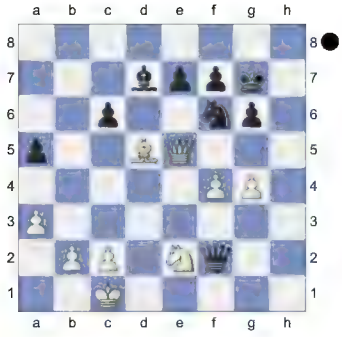

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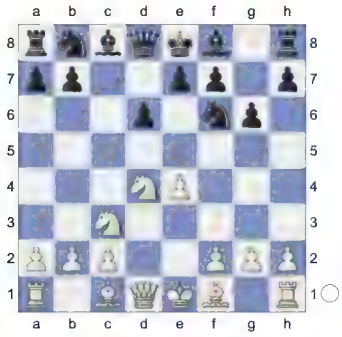
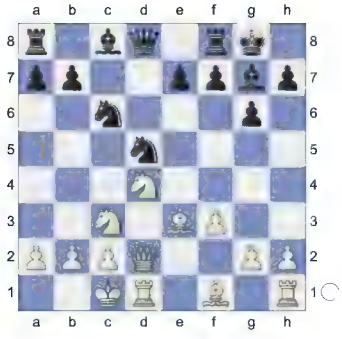
97 **B76**
□ **Morgado,Juan Sebastian** **2616**
■ **Vukosavljevic,Milan** **2417**
corr 14.EM/Olympiade Board 3 09.10.01
[Morgado,Juan Sebastian(ARG)GM]

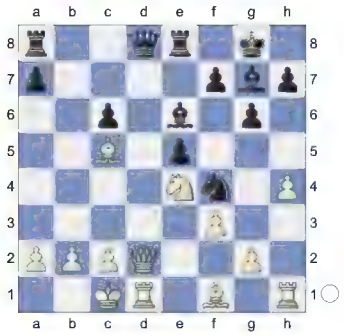
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5



11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Be6 14.Ne4 Re8 15.h4 Nf4



16.Qe1 'This looks like a good move but it needs a tougher test than it gets in this game. Exchanging queens after 16. g3, stemming from van der Wiel-Tiviakov, Wijk aan Zee 1994, has led to a draw in at least three GM OTB games.'

[16.g3]

[16.Qc3]

[16.Qf2]

[16.Qxd8]

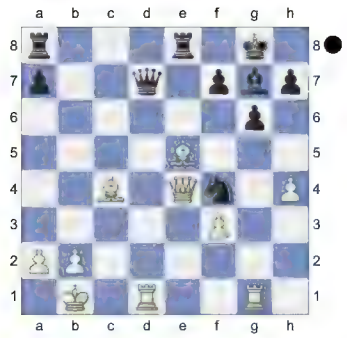
16...Bd5?! Fritz suggests 16...♕c7 or ♕b8 **17.h5**

[17.c4 Qc7□ 18.Bd6 *(18.g3 Bxe4 19.fxe4 Ne6 20.Bd6 Qb6=* ½-½ Mueller,K-Rogozenko,D/ Hamburgo 2000 *21.h5 Rad8 22.hxg6 hxg6∓; 18.Qf2?! Bxe4 19.fxe4 Red8 20.g3 Rxd1+ 21.Kxd1 Qd7+ 22.Kc1 Rd8∓* Genius3-Rebel7/10'/move Pentium75-C 1995*; 18.h5 Bxe4 19.fxe4 Rad8 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.g3 Ne6 23.Be3∞)* 18...Qc8 *(18...Qb6 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.g3 dxe4 21.gxf4 exf4 22.Rh2 exf3∞* COMP Genius2 66-Rebel7 P90/ COMP Testspel av Ton 1995 *)*

A) 19.cxd5 cxd5+ 20.Kb1 dxe4 21.Qxe4

A1) 21...Qd7 22.Bc4 Nxg2 23.Rhg1 Nf4 24.Bxe5

(Diagram)



Qe7 *(24...Qc8? 25.Bxf7+!+-* Fleetwood,D-Fichaud,A/ email Anglo Pacific Championship 1994 *)* 25.Bxg7 *(25.Bxf4 Qf6)* 25...Qxe4+ 26.fxe4 Kxg7 27.Rd7±;

A2) 21...Nh5 22.Bb5 Ng3∞;

B) 19.g3 Bxe4 20.fxe4 Ne6 21.c5 *(21.h5↑)* 21...a5 22.Bc4 *(22.h5↑)* 22...a4 23.Qf2 *(23.h5↑)* 23...a3 24.b3 Ra7 25.Rd3 Rd7± Raijmaekers,R-Goncalves,J/ Email 1999]

[17.g4 Ne6 18.Be3 Nd4∞]

17...f5

[17...Ne6 18.Ba3 *(18.hxg6 hxg6 19.c4 Nxc5 20.Nxc5 Qb6 21.b4 Be6 22.Nxe6 Rxe6 23.c5 Qc7 24.Bc4 Rf6∞)* 18...Qc7 *(18...Nd4 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.c3→)* 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Qh4 h5 21.c4 Bxe4 22.Qxe4→ COMP MChessPro 3-Rebel7 P90/ COMP Testspel av Ton 1995]

18.hxg6

[18.Nd6 Qg5 19.Kb1 Red8 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.c4 Be6 22.Qd2 a5 23.Bf2 Qe7±]

[18.Ng3 Qg5 19.Be3 Rad8∞]

18...hxg6

[18...fxe4 19.fxe4 *(19.gxh7+ Kh8 20.fxe4)* 19...hxg6 20.exd5 cxd5

A) 21.Be3?! Qc7 22.Qh4 Rac8 *(22...Rab8 23.Rxd5! Nxd5 24.Bc4±)* 23.c3 d4! 24.Bxf4 exf4

25.c4 d3!? *(25...Re3!?)* 26.Bxd3 Qe5 27.Qh7+ Kf8 28.Rd2 Rb8∞;

B) 21.g3 Rc8 22.Bb5 Re6

B1) 23.Qf2 Nh5 24.Bc4 Nf6∞;

B2) 23.b4 Nh5 24.c4 d4 *(24...Qg5+ 25.Qd2 Qxd2+ 26.Rxd2 Bh6 27.Bd7±)* 25.Rxd4 Qg5+ 26.Rd2 Bh6 27.Bd7 Ra6 *(27...Qxd2+ 28.Qxd2 Bxd2+ 29.Kc2!±)* 28.Bxc8 Rxa2 29.Be6+ Kh7 30.Kb1 Rxd2 31.Qf1±;

B3) 23.Qe3 Nh5 24.b4 e4 25.g4 *(25.Bc4 Re5 26.Rxd5 Rxd5 27.Qxe4 Bh6+ 28.Kb1 Rcxc5 29.bxc5 Nf6 30.Bxd5+ Nxd5 31.Qxg6+ Bg7+-)* 25...Nf6 26.g5 Nh5 27.Bc4±]

19.Nd6

[19.g3? Ne6 20.Be3 Nd4→]

[19.Nc3

A) 19...a5 20.g3 Ne6 21.Bc4 Nc7 22.g4± *(22.Rxd5 cxd5 23.Nxd5 Ne6 24.Nf4 Qf6 25.Nxe6 Rxe6 26.Qd2 e4 27.c3±)*;

B) 19...Qg5 20.Be3→;

C) 19...Qf6 20.g3 Nh5 21.Nxd5 *(21.Qf2 e4 22.fxe4 Rxe4∞)* 21...cxd5 22.Rxd5 e4 23.Bd4 Qc6 24.Qb4 a5 25.Qb3 a4 26.Qb4 Rab8 27.Rb5 Qc7 28.fxe4 Bxd4 29.Qxd4 Rxb5 30.Bc4+ Kh7 31.Bxb5 Rxe4 32.Qd7+ Qxd7 33.Bxd7 Kh6 34.Bc6 Rg4∞;

D) 19...Qa5 20.Nxd5 Qxe1 21.Nxf4 exf4 22.Bc4+ Qe6 23.Bxe6+ Rxe6 24.Rhe1 Rae8 25.Rxe6 Rxe6 26.Rd8+ Kh7 27.Rd7 Kh6 28.Kd2 Bxb2 29.c3→ g5 30.Rb7 Ba1 31.Rb1 Bxc3+ 32.Kxc3 Re2 33.Rb2 Rxb2 34.Kxb2+-;

E) 19...Ne6

E1) 20.Bc4 Nxc5 21.Nxd5 cxd5 22.Bxd5+ Kf8 23.Bxa8 Qxa8∞;

E2) 20.Bg1

E2a) 20...Rb8 21.Qg3 *(21.Bc4 Nd4⇄)* 21...Qa5 22.Qxg6 *(22.Nxd5 cxd5 23.Qxg6 Qxa2⇄)* 22...Nf8 23.Qd6 Bxa2 24.Qc5 Qxc5 25.Bxc5 Bf7 26.Rd6 e4 27.fxe4 fxe4 28.Bxa7 Ra8 29.Be3→;

E2b) 20...Qa5 21.Nxd5 Qxe1 22.Ne7+ Kf7 23.Rxe1 Kxe7 *(23...Rxe7 24.Bc4→)* 24.Bc4→;

E3) 20.Bf2 Rb8 21.Bxa7 trasposing;

E4) 20.Be3

E4a) 20...Nd4 21.Nxd5 cxd5 22.Qd2→ Rb8 23.c3 Qa5 24.Kb1 Ne6 25.Qxd5 Qxc3 26.Bc1 e4 *(26...Qc5 27.Qxc5 Nxc5 28.Be3±)* 27.Bb5±;

E4b) 20...Rb8 21.Bxa7 Ra8 22.Be3 Nd4 23.Qh4 Qxh4 24.Rxh4 Bf7 25.a4→]

19...Re6

[19...Qg5

A) 20.Be3 Reb8 21.b3

A1) 21...Qf6 22.Nc4 e4 23.Bd4 Qg5 24.Kb1 Nd3 *(24...Nxg2 25.Bxg2 Bxd4 26.Rxd4 Qxg2 27.Ne5→; 24...Bxd4 25.Rxd4 exf3)* 25.cxd3 Bxd4 26.dxe4+-;

A2) 21...Qe7 22.Nc4→;

B) 20.Kb1

B1) 20...Red8± trasposing (see move 18) 21.c4 Be6

B1a) 22.Qd2 a5 23.Bf2 Qe7 24.Bc5 *(24.Bh4? g5 25.Bf2 Rab8⇄)* 24...Qg5=;

B1b) 22.Qf2;

B1c) 22.g3 Nh5□ 23.Rg1 *(23.g4 fxg4 24.fxg4 Bxg4; 23.Bf2 Rd7 24.c5 Rb8∞)* 23...a5 24.g4 fxg4 25.Bd3 a4 26.Be4 Nf4 *(26...Ra6 27.Qb4→)* 27.Bb6 Rf8 28.Bxc6 Rab8 29.Ne4 Qf5 30.fxg4±;

B2) 20...Re6]

20.g3

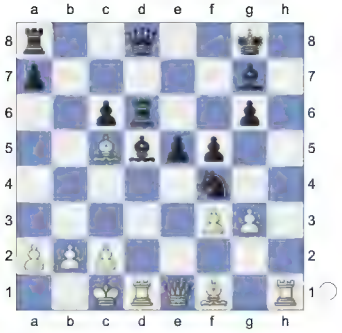
[20.c4 Rxd6 21.Bxd6 Qxd6 22.g3 Ne6 23.cxd5 cxd5 24.Kb1]

20...Rxd6

[20...Nh5 21.Nxf5 Qg5+ *(21...gxf5 22.Rxh5 Qf6 23.Be2±; 21...Bf8? 22.Bxf8 Qg5+ 23.Qe3 Qxe3+ 24.Nxe3 Rxf8 25.Nxd5 cxd5 26.Rxd5 Nxg3 27.Bc4+-)* 22.Ne3 Bf8 *(22...Qxg3 23.Bh3 Rf6 24.Be7 Qxe1 25.Rdxe1±)* 23.Bxf8 Rxf8 24.Kb1 Qxg3 *(24...Bxf3 25.Bc4±)* 25.Bh3±]

[20...Rb8 21.Ne4 Nh5 22.Bh3 Re8 23.Bxf5 gxf5 24.Rxh5 fxe4 25.fxe4 Qc7 26.exd5 cxd5 27.Rxd5± *(27.Qe3±)*]

[20...Bxf3 21.gxf4 Bxh1 22.Nxf5±]



21.gxf4 Rd7

[21...exf4 22.c4 Re6 23.Qd2 Rb8 24.cxd5 Bxb2+ 25.Qxb2 *(25.Kc2 Bf6 26.Rb1 cxd5 27.Qh2∞)* 25...Rxb2 26.Kxb2 cxd5 27.Bc4 Re5 28.Bd4→]

22.fxe5

[22.Qg3 Qf6 23.Qh3 Kf7 24.c4 Rh8 25.Qg2 Rxh1 26.Qxh1 exf4 27.Ba3 Be6 28.Rxd7+ Bxd7∓]

[22.Rg1 Bf7 23.Rxd7 Qxd7 24.fxe5 Qd5⇄]

22...Bxf3

[22...Qg5+ 23.Kb1 Re8 *(23...Qf4 24.e6 Rb7 25.b3 Re8 26.e7 Qxf3 27.Rh3 Qe4 28.Qxe4 fxe4 29.Ba6 Rbxe7 30.Bxe7 Rxe7 31.Rg3±)* 24.Rg1 Qf4 25.Rxg6 Rxe5 26.Be2 Qh2 27.Rd2 Bxa2+ 28.Kxa2 Rxd2 29.Qxd2 Rxe2 30.Qc3 Qc7±]

23.Bc4+

[23.Rxd7 Qxd7 24.Bc4+ Bd5 25.Bb3

A) 25...Re8 26.Bd6 f4 27.Kb1 f3 28.Bxd5+ *(28.Qh4 Qf5 29.Qh7+ Kf7∞)* 28...cxd5 29.Qd1 Bxe5 30.Bxe5 Rxe5 31.Qxf3 Qf5 32.Qg3 Qe4 33.Rg1 g5 34.Qf2 d4 35.Rf1±;

B) 25...Qe6 26.Bd6→]

[23.Bd3 Bxd1 24.Bc4+ Rd5 25.Qxd1 Bxe5 26.Bd4 Kf8 27.Bxd5 Qxd5 28.Bxe5 Qxe5=]

23...Bd5 24.Bxd5+

[24.Qe2 Qg5+ *(24...Qe8 25.Rxd5 cxd5 26.Bb5 a6 27.Bxd7 Qxd7 28.Qh2 Qe6 29.Bd6 Kf7 30.Re1→)* 25.Kb1 Qf4 *(25...Qg4 26.Bxd5+ Rxd5 27.Qxg4 fxg4 28.Rxd5 cxd5 29.e6±)* 26.Bxd5+ Rxd5 27.Rxd5 cxd5

A) 28.Re1 Qc4 29.Qf2 Re8 30.b3 Qb5 31.Bd6 Qa5 32.Rh1 Bxe5 33.Qg2 Kf7 34.Bxe5 Rxe5 35.Rh7+ Kf6□ 36.Rh6→;

B) 28.Rg1 Qxe5 29.Qxe5 Bxe5 30.Rxg6+ Kf7 31.Ra6 Rb8 *(31...f4 32.Rxa7+ Rxa7 33.Bxa7 d4 34.Kc1 Ke6 35.Kd2 Kd5*

36.Kd3±) 32.Rxa7+ Ke6 33.Ra6+ Kd7 34.b4±;

C) 28.Bd6 Qe4 29.Qd1 Re8 30.Re1 Qc4 31.Qd2 *(31.Qf3 d4 32.b3 Qe6 33.Qg3 a5 34.Rd1 Kf7 35.Rg1→)* 31...d4 32.Rg1 *(32.b3 Qc3 33.Qe2→)* 32...Qe6 33.Qxd4 Bxe5 34.Bxe5 Qxe5 35.Rxg6+ Kf7 36.Qxe5 Rxe5 37.Rg1 f4⩲]

[24.e6 Rb7□ 25.b3 Qg5+ 26.Be3 Qe7 27.Bxd5 Qa3+ 28.Kd2 cxd5∞]

[24.Bb3 Bxb3 25.Rxd7 Qxd7 26.axb3 Qd5 27.Bd6 Qe4 *(27...a5 28.Qh4 Qe4 29.Qh3 Kf7 30.Rg1 a4 31.Kb1→; 27...Re8?! 28.Qg1 Rxe5 29.Bxe5 Qxe5 30.c3 Qf4+ 31.Kb1 Qe4+ 32.Ka2±)* 28.Qxe4 fxe4 29.Rh4 Kf7 30.Rxe4 Ke6 31.Kd2±]

[24.Rxd5 cxd5

A) 25.e6 Rb7 26.Bb3 Qg5+ 27.Kb1 Qf6 28.c3 Rxb3 *(28...Rab8 29.e7 Qf7 30.Qd2 Rxb3 31.axb3±)* 29.axb3 Qe5 30.Qxe5 *(30.Kc1 Qxe1+ 31.Rxe1 a6±)* 30...Bxe5 31.Re1 *(31.Rd1 Re8 32.Rxd5 Rxe6 33.Bxa7 g5 34.b4)* 31...Bg3 32.Re2 a5 33.Kc2±;

B) 25.Bb3 Qg5+ 26.Kb1 Re8 27.Bd4 Qf4 28.Rh4 Rxe5 29.Bxe5 Qxe5→;

C) 25.Bb5 Rc7 *(25...Rb7 26.Bc6 Rc7 27.Bxa8 Rxc5 28.Qg1 Rc7 29.Qxg6 Qxa8 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Qh8+ Bxh8 32.Rxh8+ Ke7 33.Rxa8 Ke6⇄)* 26.Bd6 Rac8 27.c3→]

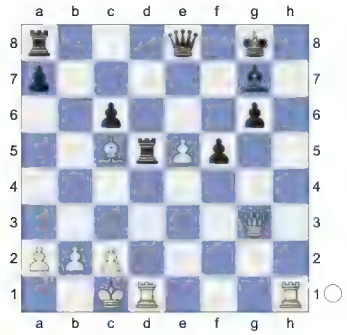
24...Rxd5 25.Qg3

[25.Qe3 Rb8 26.Bd4 Qe7 27.e6 Rbd8 28.c3 R8d6∞]

[25.Bd6 Qa5 26.Qh4 Rxd1+ 27.Kxd1 Qxa2⇄]

[25.c4? Qg5+ 26.Be3 Rxd1+ 27.Kxd1 Qg4+∓]

25...Qe8



26.Rxd5

[26.Bd6 Qe6

A) 27.Rxd5 Qxd5 *(27...cxd5 28.Kb1 Re8∞)* 28.Rg1 Qe6 29.Kb1→;

B) 27.Rde1 Rd8 *(27...Rxd6 28.exd6 Qxa2 29.Qxg6 Qxb2+ 30.Kd1 Qd4+ 31.Ke2 Qg4+ 32.Qxg4 fxg4 33.Rd1±)* 28.Qh4 Rd7 29.Qh7+ Kf7 30.Rhg1±;

C) 27.Rdg1 Rxd6 28.exd6 Qxa2 29.Qa3 *(29.Qb3+ Qxb3 30.cxb3 Kf7∞)* 29...Qxa3 30.bxa3 Kf7 31.Re1 Rd8 32.Re7+ Kg8 33.Rxa7 Rxd6 34.a4→]

26...cxd5 27.Bd4

[27.Bd6 Rc8 28.Qh4 *(28.Qb3 Qe6)*

A) 28...Qc6

A1) 29.c3 Re8 30.Qh7+ Kf7

A1a) 31.Rh6 Re6 32.Rh4 Re8 *(32...a5 33.Kb1 Qb5 34.a3 Qf1+ 35.Ka2 f4∞; 32...Qa6 33.Rb4 Re8 34.Kd2±)* 33.Rb4 Rh8 34.e6+ Kxe6 35.Qxg7 Rh1+ 36.Kc2 Qxd6 37.Qxg6+ Ke5 38.Qg7+±;

A1b) 31.Rg1 Re6∞;

A2) 29.Qh7+ Kf7 30.e6+ Kxe6 *(30...Kf6 31.Be5+ Kxe5*

32.Qxg7+ Kd6 33.c3±)
31.Qxg6+ Bf6 32.Re1+ Kxd6 33.Qxf6+ Kc7 34.Qxf5±;
B) 28...d4 29.b3 *(29.Qxd4 Rxc2+ 30.Kxc2 Qc6+=)* 29...d3 30.c4 Qe6 31.Kd2 a5 32.Kxd3→;
C) 28...Kf7 29.Qd4 Qc6 30.Qxa7+ Kg8 31.Qf2 d4∞]

27...Qe6 28.Kb1

[28.b3?! Re8 29.c3 Bxe5 30.Bxe5 Qxe5 31.Qxg6+ Kf8□ 32.Qh6+± (Now it does not work, as in the main variation, *32.Rh5?? Qxc3+-+)*]

28...a6

[28...Re8 29.a3 *(29.b3 Kf7 30.a4 Rh8 31.Re1±; 29.a4 a5)* 29...a5 *(29...Kf7 30.Qb3 Bxe5 31.Re1 Bxd4 32.Rxe6 Rxe6 33.Qxd5 Be5 34.c4→; 29...Bxe5 30.Bxe5 Qxe5 31.Qxg6+ Kf8□ 32.Rh5!+-)* 30.a4 Kf7 31.Rg1 Re7 32.b3± Re8 33.Rh1 *(33.Qc3 Bxe5 34.Bxe5 Qxe5 35.Qxa5 f4⇄)* 33...Rh8 34.Rg1± *(34.Rxh8 Bxh8 35.Qh2±)*]

29.b3

[29.a3 Kf7 30.Qc3 Re8 31.Qb4
A) 31...Bxe5? 32.Re1 a5 *(32...Qd6 33.Bxe5 Qxb4 34.axb4 f4 35.Kc1 g5 36.Kd2 Kg6 37.Bd4±)* 33.Qxa5 Qd6∞;
B) 31...g5∞]

29...Kf7

[29...Re8 30.a4 Kf7 *(30...f4 31.Qxf4 Bxe5 32.Qf2→)* 31.Bb2 Rh8 *(31...Bxe5? 32.Rh7++-)* 32.Rg1±]

30.Bb2

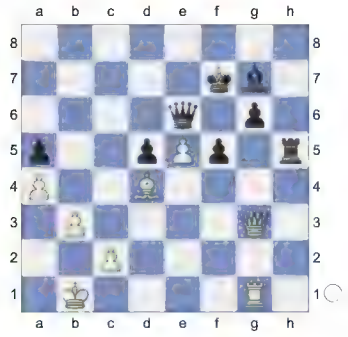
[30.a4 Rh8 31.Rd1 Re8 32.Rg1±]

30...Re8

[30...Rh8 31.Rd1 Re8 32.Rg1 Rb8 33.a4 Rc8=]

(Diagram)

31.a4 Rh8 32.Rg1 a5 33.Bd4 Rh5



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98	**B78**
□ **Bologan,Victor**	**2607**
■ **Jia,H**	**2316**
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[Kitty Kat]

B78: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 0-0-0 Rc8

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4

Bd7 10.Bb3 Rc8

11.0-0-0

[11.h4 h5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 a5 16.c3 b5 17.g4 a4 18.Bc2 a3 19.b4 hxg4 20.Bd3 f5 21.fxg4 fxg4 22.h5 e5 23.dxe6 Bxe6 24.hxg6 Qf6 25.Qxf6 Rxf6 Adams,M (2630)-Wolff, P (2585) Biel 1993 CBM 037 [Wolff, Patrick G] 0-1]

11...Ne5

[11...a6 12.h4 h5 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Bh6 b5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5 Rh8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Qg2 gxf3 20.Qxf3 Bd7 21.Rxh8 Qxh8 22.Rh1 Qd8 23.Qf4 e6 24.Qxd6 Rc6 25.Qf4 Nh5 26.Qd2 Parnes,S (1378)-Doolin,B Cardiff 2022 1-0]

12.Kb1N

[12.h4 a5 13.a4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8

A) 16.Ndb5 h5 *(16...Bxb5 17.Nxb5 h5 18.Kb1 Nd7 19.g4* B 78/07 *)* 17.Bd4 e5 18.Be3 d5 19.Nxd5 Bxb5 20.axb5 Nxd5 21.Qxd5 Qc7 22.Qd6 B 78/07;

B) 16.h5 Nxh5 17.g4 Nf6 18.Bh6 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Rxc3 20.g5 Re8 21.gxf6 exf6 22.Rdg1 Qc7 23.Kb1 Rc5 24.f4 B 78/07]

12...Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.g4 b5 15.b3 b4!

(Diagram)

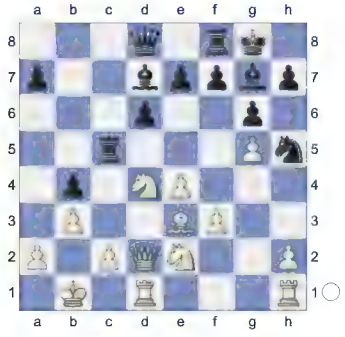
16.Nce2 0.07/21

[White should play 16.bxc4± 0.58/19 bxc3 17.Qxc3]

16...Rc5 0.64/19

[16...Rc8= 0.07/21]

17.g5 White is slightly better. **17...Nh5**



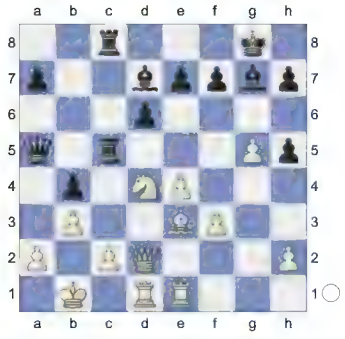
18.Ng3 -0.79/20

[18.Ne6!± 0.44/20 keeps the upper hand. fxe6 19.Bxc5]

18...Qa5∓ 19.Nxh5 gxh5 20.Rhe1

[20.Nf5? Qxa2+!! 21.Kxa2 Ra5+ 22.Kb1 Ra1#]

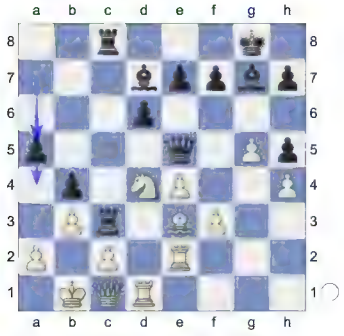
20...Rfc8



And now ...e5 would win. **21.Re2 Rc3** -0.57/20

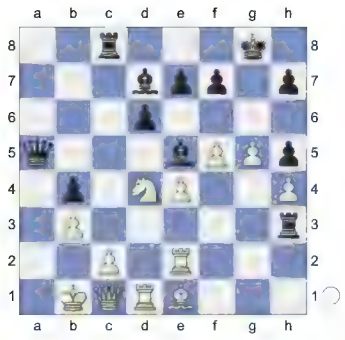
[Better is 21...Qa3∓ -1.17/21 22.Qc1

Qa6]
22.Qc1 -1.65/22
[White should try 22.h4∓ -0.57/20]
22...Qe5 -1.06/22
[22...e5-+ -1.65/22 23.Nf5 Bxf5 24.exf5 d5]
23.Bf4 Qc5 24.Be3 Qe5 0.01/17
[24...Qa5∓ -0.83/20 25.h4 R8c5]
25.h4 -1.17/21
[25.Bf4!= 0.01/17 was the only way to keep the balance. Qa5 26.Be3]
25...a5!

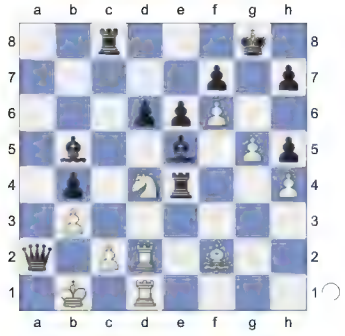


26.Bf2? -3.83/21
[26.Bf4∓ -1.34/20 was necessary. Qc5 27.Be3]
26...a4 27.f4 Qa5 28.f5? -5.04/22
[28.Rde1 -2.40/19]
28...axb3-+ 29.axb3 Be5 -2.53/20
[⌓29...e5 -4.69/22 30.Ne6 fxe6]
30.Be1? -12.28/22
[30.Ree1 -2.53/20]
30...Rh3? -3.22/22
[30...Bxd4 -12.28/22 31.Rxd4 Rxb3+!! 32.cxb3 Rxc1+ 33.Kxc1 Qa1+ 34.Kc2 Qxd4]

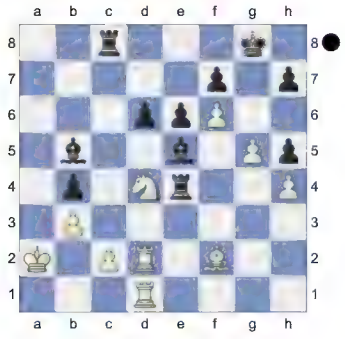
(Diagram)



31.Qb2 Bb5 32.Red2 Re3 33.f6 e6
[33...Rxe4? 34.fxe7 Be2 35.Nc6 Bxb2 36.Nxa5 Bxd1 37.Rxd1]
34.Bf2 Rxe4 35.Qa2 Qxa2+

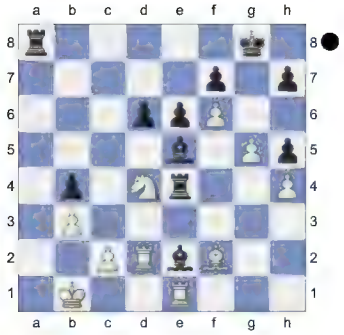


36.Kxa2

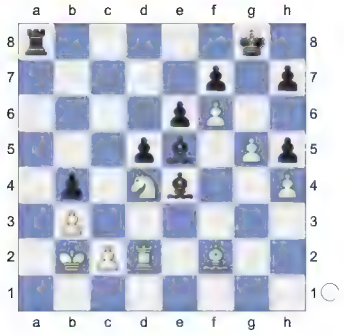


Ra8+ -1.53/21
[36...Be2!-+ -3.12/22 37.Re1 *(37.Nxe2? leads to mate. Ra8+)* 37...Bf3!]
37.Kb1? -3.67/22
[37.Kb2∓ -1.53/21]
37...Be2 38.Re1

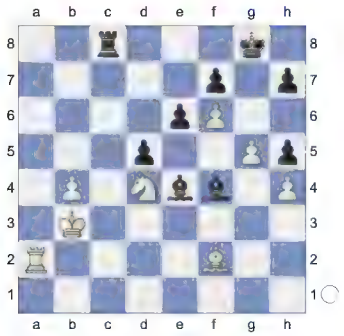
(Diagram)



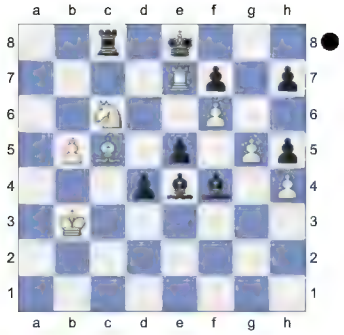
Bf3 39.Rxe4 Bxe4 40.Kb2 d5



41.c3 bxc3+ 42.Kxc3 Ra1 43.b4 Rc1+ 44.Kb3 Bf4 This bishop pair is nice. **45.Ra2** Threatening mate with Ra8+. **45...Rc8** 0.47/22
[45...Rb1+-+ -1.83/20 46.Ka4 h6 47.gxh6 Be5]



Against Ra8 **46.b5** 0.01/21
[46.Nc6!± 0.47/22 is superior. Kh8 47.Ne7 *(47.b5 d4∓)*]
46...e5= 47.Nc6 Kf8 10.78/22
[47...Re8± 0.35/20]
48.Bc5++- White is clearly winning.
48...Ke8 49.Ra7 d4 50.Re7+
(Diagram)



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99 **B70**
□ **Mibenjaminmela** **2606**
■ **Spngu** **2490**
Blitz 28.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

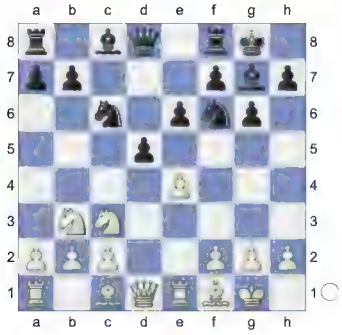
Blitz 3min
B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.Be2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 Nc6 9.Nb3 e6N 0.31/15
[9...b6= 0.00/17 10.Bf1 Bb7 11.Bg5 h6 *(11...Rc8 12.Nd5 e6 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.c3 Rfd8 16.Qe2 Ne5* 3) Non-Dangerous Dragons [Alt-4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6. Be2 Bg7 *)* 12.Bh4 Rc8 13.f4 Nd7 14.Rb1 Nb4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5

Nf6 17.c4 b5 18.cxb5 Bxd5 19.Bf2 Qd7 20.Bd4 e6 21.a4 Rfe8 22.Na5 e5 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.Bxe5 Qf5 Danin,A (2571)-Li,C (2757) Karlsruhe 2016 CBM 183 [Schandorff,Lars] 0-1 (33)]

[9...Be6 10.Bf1 d5 *(10...a5 11.a4 Rc8 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5 Nb4 14.c4 Nd7 15.Bg5 Re8 16.Qd2 Ne5* Chess Informant Eco Survey 2000*)* 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Nxd5 Bxd5 13.c4 Be6 14.Nc5 Qxd1 15.Rxd1 Bg4 16.f3 Rad8 17.Be3 Bc8 B 70/08]

10.Bf1 d5



11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Nxd5 exd5 13.c3 d4 14.c4 -0.42/17

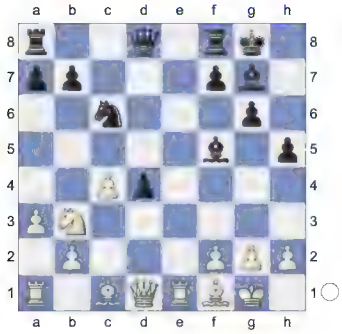
[White should try 14.cxd4= 0.10/17 Nxd4 15.Be3 Nxb3 16.Qxb3]

14...Bf5∓ 15.a3 -1.13/18

[15.Bf4∓ -0.38/17]

15...h5 -0.71/19

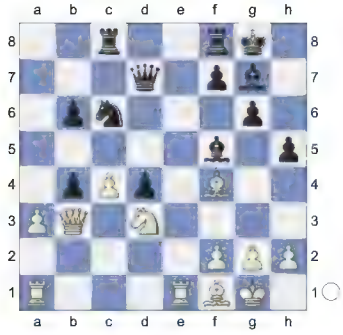
[⌓15...Rc8 -1.13/18 16.h3 d3]



16.Nc5∓ b6 17.Nd3 Rc8 18.Bf4 Qd7 -0.01/17

[18...Qf6∓ -0.38/18 19.Qf3 Rfd8]

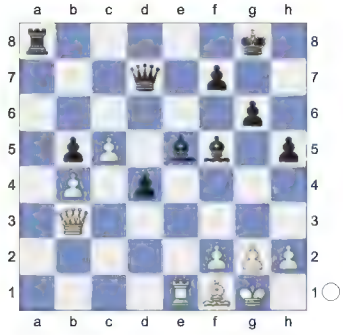
19.b4 a5 20.Qb3 axb4



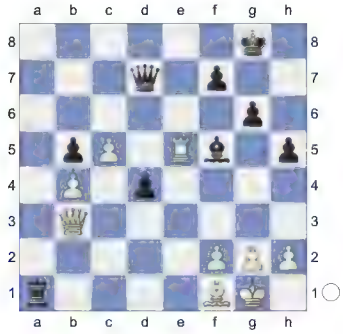
21.axb4 Ra8 22.Rxa8 Rxa8 23.c5 b5 24.Ne5? -1.80/23

[24.Nc1= -0.14/19]

24...Nxe5-+ 25.Bxe5 Bxe5



26.Rxe5 Ra1

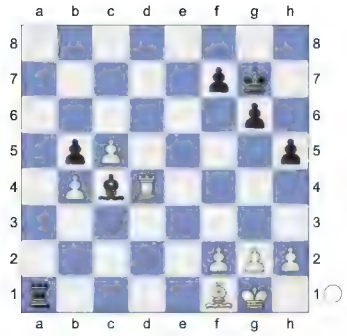


White must now prevent ...Rb1. **27.Rd5?** -5.04/24

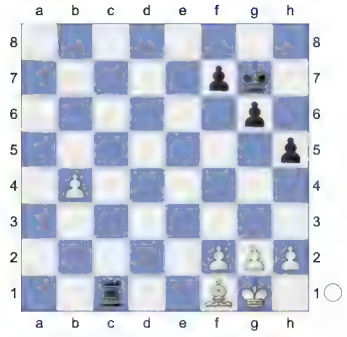
[27.Qb2 -1.63/19 Rb1 28.Qe2]

27...Qe6 28.Rd8+ Kg7 29.Qxe6 Bxe6 30.Rxd4 Bc4!

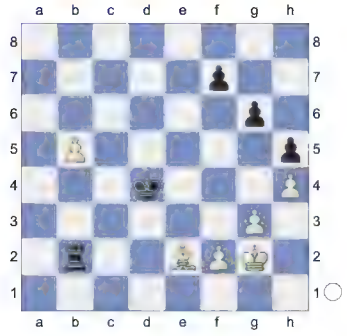
(Diagram)



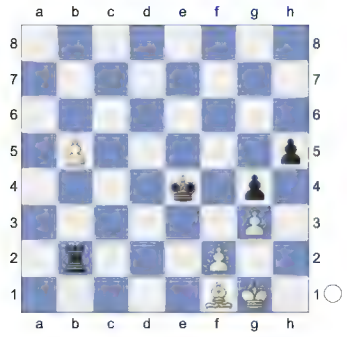
31.Rxc4 -9.96/23
[⌓31.g4 -4.99/22 hxg4 32.Kg2 Bxf1+ 33.Kg3]
31...bxc4 Endgame KR-KB **32.c6 c3 33.c7 c2?** -1.60/27
[33...Ra8-+ -10.50/24 is more deadly. Threatens to win with ...c2. 34.Bd3 c2]
34.c8Q c1Q Inhibits Qc3+. **35.Qxc1 Rxc1**



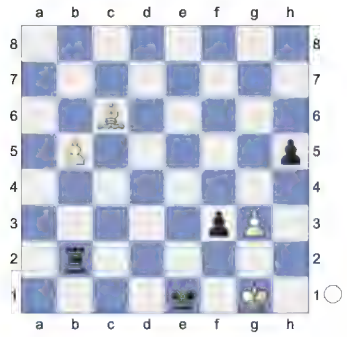
KR-KB **36.h4** -2.89/30
[⌓36.g3 -1.64/23]
36...Rb1 37.b5 Kf6 38.g3 Ke5 39.Kg2 Kd4 Prevents Bc4. **40.Be2 Rb2**



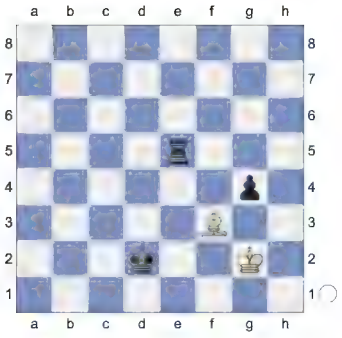
41.Bf1 f6 42.Kf3 g5 43.hxg5 fxg5 44.Kg2 g4 45.Kg1 Ke4 -1.78/33
[⌓45...Rb1 -3.89/30 46.Kg2 Rc1]



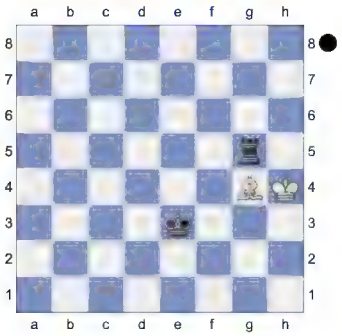
46.Kg2 -2.91/29
[⌓46.Bg2+ -1.78/33 Kf5 47.Bc6]
46...Kd4? 0.01/26
[46...Rb4-+ -2.91/29 Hoping for ... Kd4. 47.Be2 Kd4]
47.Kg1!= Kc3 48.Bg2 Kd2 49.Bc6 Ke1? -0.17/29
[49...Ke2-+ -2.22/30 Strongly threatening ...Rb1+. 50.Kg2 Ke1]
50.f4? -2.14/27
[50.Be8= -0.17/29 and White is okay.]
50...gxf3? -0.19/23
[Black should play 50...Ke2-+ -2.14/27 And now ...Rc2 would win. 51.Kg2 Ke3+ 52.Kg1 h4 53.gxh4 Kxf4]



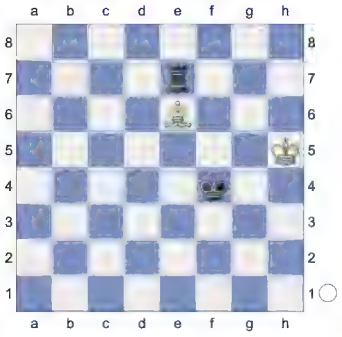
51.Bxf3 Rxb5 52.Kg2 Rf5 53.Be4 Re5 54.Bf3 Kd2 55.g4? -2.79/28
[55.Kh3= -0.21/23]
55...hxg4? -0.17/30
[55...h4-+ -2.79/28 56.Kh3 Re3]



56.Bxg4 Ke3 57.Kg3 Rg5 58.Kh4? -#13/28
[58.Kh3= -0.18/29]



58...Rg7? -0.16/29
[58...Kf4 -#13/28 mates 59.Be2 Rg2 60.Bf1 Rh2+ 61.Bh3 Rh1 62.Kh5 Rxh3+ 63.Kg6 Re3 64.Kf6 Kg4 65.Kg7 Kg5 66.Kf7 Re5 67.Kg7 Rf5 68.Kh8 Kg6 69.Kg8 Kh6 70.Kh8 Rf8#]
59.Kh5 The position is equal. **59...Kf4 60.Be6 Re7**



61.Bg8 Kf5 (-> ...Rg7) **62.Kh6** Prevents Rg7. **62...Kf6**
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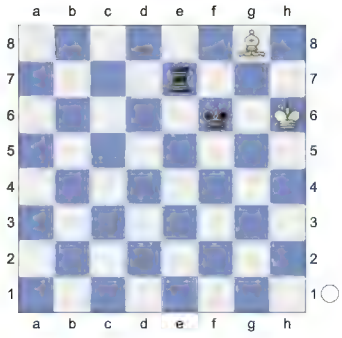

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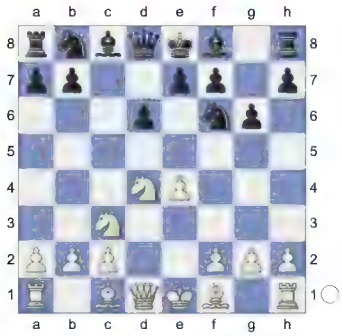
100 **B72**
□ **Kazakouski,Valery** **2603**
■ **Pultinevicius,Paulius** **2599**
Coop Saaremaa Rapid 2024 (4.1) 1.6.24
[Kitty Kat]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

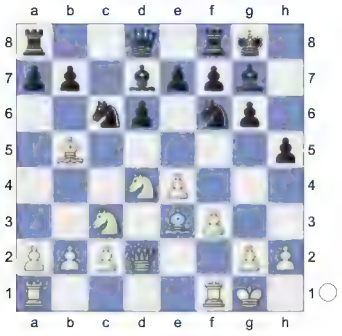


6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Prevents Ng4. **7...h5 8.Bb5N**
[8.Qd2 Nxd4 9.Bxd4 Bh6
A) 10.Bb5+ Bd7 11.Qd3 *(11.Qe2 Bc6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Rad1 Nd7 14.f4 Bxf4 15.Rxf4 e5 16.Rf2 exd4 17.Rxd4 Ne5* 6. – Dragón Dicharachero c-Dragón

Dicharachero: 7.f3*)* 11...Bc6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Bxf6 exf6 14.Kh1 Qb6 15.a4 Qc5 16.Rfd1 Rfd8 17.Nd5 Kg7 18.b4 Qf2 19.Bc4 Rac8 20.c3 Qh4 21.g3 Qh3 22.Qd4 Bxd5 23.Bxd5 h4 24.Rg1 Bf4 Chapter-Games Game 1 (33);

B) 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Qxe3 Be6 12.Be2 *(12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Rd4 a6 14.Ra4 Qd8 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qxe5 0-0 17.Rd4 Qb8 18.Qxb8 Raxb8 19.Bc4 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Rfc8 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Rd1 Kf8 23.Nd5 Nd7 24.Nf4 Nf6 25.Nd5 Nd7 26.Nf4 Ne5* Yoo,C (2603)-Dubov,D (2693) Chess,com INT 2024 1-0 (60)*)* 12...Qa5 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Kh1 h4 15.f4 h3 16.g3 Qb4 17.Bd3 Qxb2 18.Nb5 Ng4 19.Qg1 Bc4 20.Rab1 Bxd3 21.Rxb2 Bxe4+ Chapter-Games Game 1]

8...Bd7 White has an edge. **9.Qd2 Bg7 10.0-0 0-0**



11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.Rad1 Qc7 13.Nde2 Rfb8 14.b3 a5 15.h3 Be8

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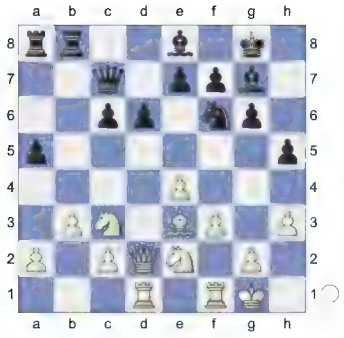


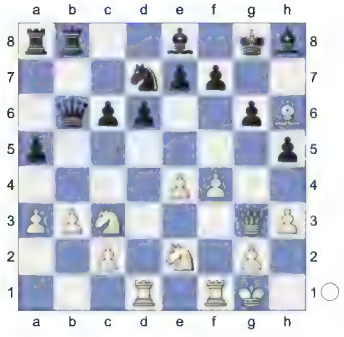
16.Bh6 Bh8 17.f4 Rb4 18.Qd3 Nd7 0.54/17

[18...a4= 0.23/19]

19.a3 Rbb8 20.Qg3 0.13/18

[20.f5± 0.54/16]

20...Qb6+



21.Kh1 Qc5 22.e5

[22.a4!?]

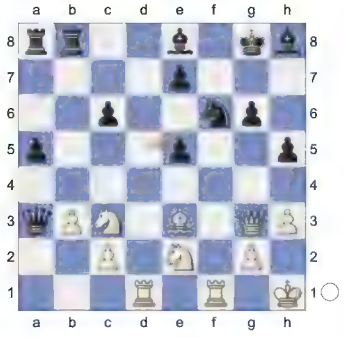
22...dxe5 1.56/21

[22...Kh7!= 0.19/20]

23.f5± Nf6 2.41/21

[23...h4± 1.19/21 24.Qxh4 Nf6]

24.fxg6+- fxg6 25.Be3 Qxa3



26.Qxe5 Strongly threatening Bc5.

26...Bf7 27.Bc5 Qb2 28.Qxe7 Re8 29.Qc7 0.68/21

[White should try 29.Qd6+- 1.67/24 Qxc2 30.Rxf6 Bxf6 31.Qxf6]

29...Rac8 2.16/22

[29...Qxc2± 0.68/21 30.Bd4 *(30.Qxc6 Rac8=)* 30...Rac8]

30.Qf4? 0.29/21

[30.Qxa5?! Nd5 31.Nxd5 *(31.Qa7? Rc7-+)* 31...Bxd5±]

[30.Qd6+- 2.16/22]

30...Qxc2=

31.Bd4 0.63/21

[31.Rd6= 0.24/23 Rxe2 32.Rxf6 *(32.Nxe2 Qxc5 33.Rxf6 Bxf6=)*]

31...Re6!± 32.Qh4

[32.Qh6? c5 33.Rc1 *(33.Rd2? Qxb3 34.Bg1 Bg7-+)* 33...Qxb3-+]

32...Rd8? 2.76/21 **33.Rc1+- g5 34.Qxg5+**

[34.Rxc2 gxh4 35.Rcc1 Bg7∓]

34...Qg6 35.Qh4 aiming for Rf3.

[35.Qxa5 Ree8 36.Rf3 Nd5 37.Bxh8 Kxh8]

35...Qh6

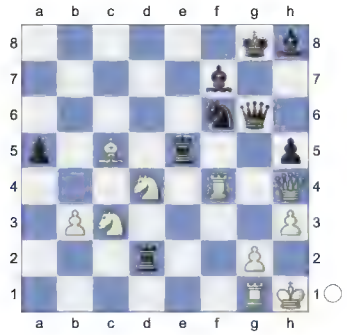
36.Rf4 c5 37.Bxc5 Rd2 38.Nd4

[38.Qg3+ Qg6±]

38...Qg6 39.Rg1

[39.Rf2 Rxf2 40.Qxf2 Qg5=]

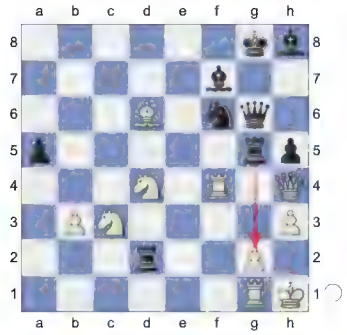
39...Re5



40.Bd6 0.03/24

[40.Nc6!+- 1.88/22 Re6 41.Ne7+ *(41.Nxa5 Nd7±)* 41...Rxe7 42.Bxe7]

40...Rg5=



Really sharp! **41.Nce2!⇄** Black must now prevent Nf3. White is fighting back. Pair of Knights!

[41.Rf2? Rxd4 42.Bf4 *(42.Qxd4? Ng4-+)* 42...Rc5-+]

41...Bd5 42.Rf2 Hoping for Nf4.

42...Ne4 43.Rf8+ Kh7 1.19/24

[43...Kg7= -0.01/25 44.Ba3 *(44.Be7 Rxd4 45.Nf4 Ng3+ 46.Kh2 Nf1+ 47.Kh1 Ng3+ 48.Kh2 Nf1+ 49.Kh1 Ng3+=)* 44...Rxd4 45.Nxd4 Ng3+ 46.Kh2 Nf1+ 47.Kh1 *(47.Rgxf1? Rxg2+ 48.Kh1 Rh2+ 49.Kxh2 Qg2#)* 47...Ng3+ 48.Kh2 Nf1+ 49.Kh1 *(49.Rgxf1? Rxg2+ 50.Kh1 Rh2+ 51.Kxh2 Qg2#)* 49...Ng3+]

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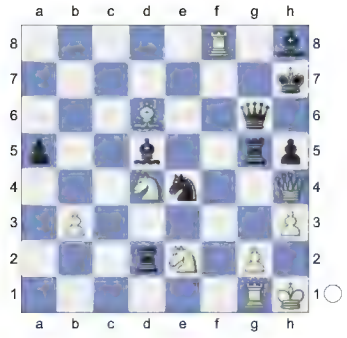
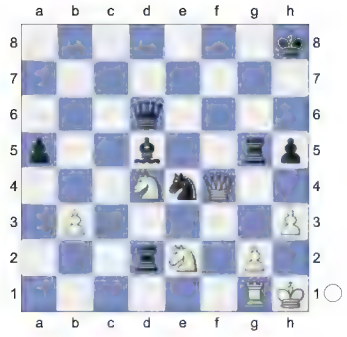
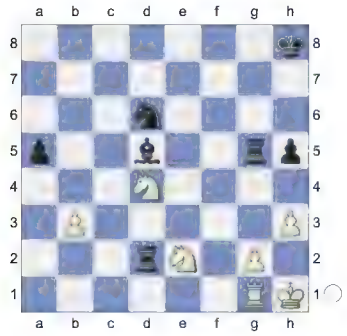


44.Rxh8+!± Kxh8 45.Qf4 -11.80/22 **Qxd6-+**



46.Qxd6 Nxd6



Never resign too early!
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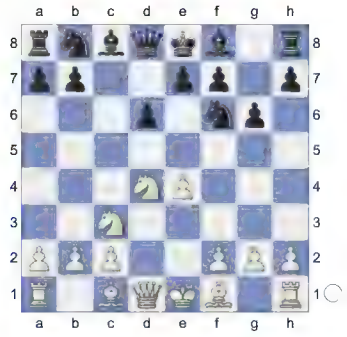
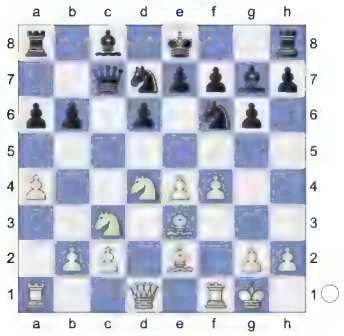
101 **B71**
□ **Alexis Emil Maribao** **2598**
■ **Suhov549** **2540**
Rapid 28.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min
B93: Sicilian Najdorf: 6 f4
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

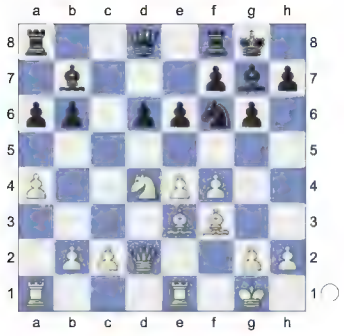


6.f4 Nbd7 7.Be2 Bg7 8.Be3 a6N
[8...0-0 9.0-0 a6 *(9...Nc5 10.Bf3 Bd7 11.e5 Ne8 12.b4 Na4 13.Nxa4 Bxa4 14.Bxb7 Rb8 15.Qf3 dxe5 16.fxe5 Qc7 17.Bd5 Qxe5 18.c3 Rc8 19.Bxf7+ Kh8 20.Bd2 Nd6 21.Rae1 Rxf7 22.Rxe5 Rxf3 23.Nxf3 Bxe5 24.Nxe5* Guzzardo,R-Olafsson, H olm11 corr8796 1987 1-0 (37) *Kg8 25.Bh6 Bb5 26.Rf2 Nc4 27.Ng4 Bd7 28.Rf4 Bf5 29.Bg5 e5 30.Nh6+ Kg7 31.Nxf5+ gxf5 32.Rxf5 Kg6 33.g4 h5 34.h4 Rc6 35.Be7 hxg4 36.Rg5+ Kh7 37.Bc5* 1-0 (37) Guzzardo,R-Olafsson,H corr ICCF 1982 *)* 10.Bf3 e5 11.Nb3 exf4 12.Bxf4 Ne5 13.Qe2 Be6 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Bd7 16.Rfe1 Rc8 17.c3 Bb5 18.Qd2 Nd3 19.Red1 Nxf4 20.Qxf4 Be5 21.Qd2 Ba4 22.Qf2 b5 23.Rac1 The Centre Game Iii-Nge7 ICCF 2017 CBM 093 Extra [Nickel]]
9.a4 Qc7 10.0-0 b6 0.58/20

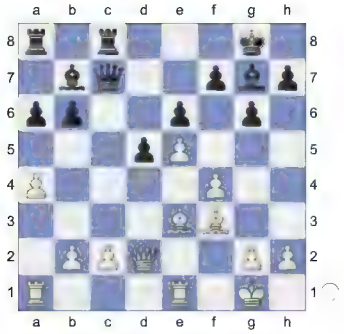
[10...0-0= 0.14/17]



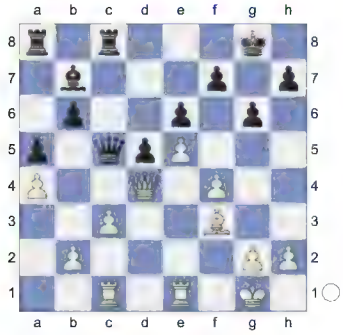
11.Bf3 0.26/20
[11.Nd5± 0.58/20 Nxd5 12.exd5]
11...Bb7 12.Nd5 Qd8 White has an edge. **13.Re1 0-0 14.Qd2** -0.41/18
[14.Nb4= 0.01/16]
14...e6 15.Nxf6+ Nxf6



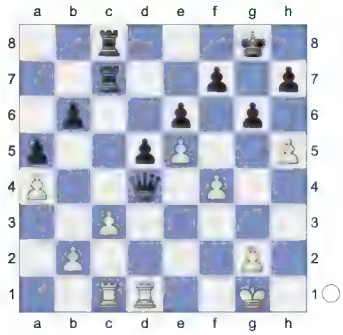
16.Qd3 d5 0.28/20
[⩲16...Nd7 -0.19/17]
17.e5= Ne4 18.Nb3 Qc7 19.Nd2 Nxd2 20.Qxd2 Rfc8
[20...d4!? 21.Bxd4 *(21.Qxd4 Bxf3 22.gxf3 Qxc2=)* 21...Bxf3 22.gxf3 f6±]



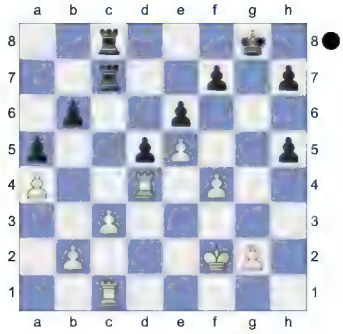
21.c3 Bf8 22.Bd4 Bc5 23.Qf2 Bxd4 24.Qxd4 Qc5 25.Rac1 -0.39/17
[25.Red1= 0.04/18 is superior.]
25...a5



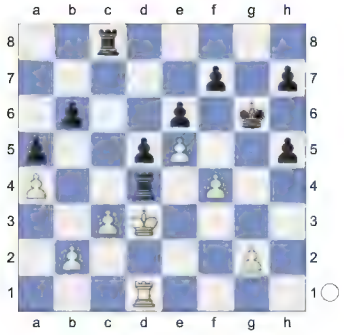
26.Be2 Ba6 27.Bxa6 Rxa6 28.Red1 Ra7 29.h4 -0.83/18
[29.Qxc5∓ -0.47/20 might be stronger. bxc5 30.Rc2]
29...Rac7 30.h5 -1.30/21
[White should play 30.Qxc5∓ -0.53/18 bxc5 31.g4]
30...Qxd4+∓



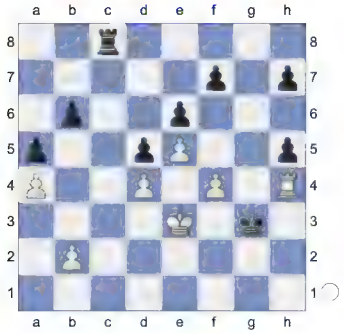
31.Rxd4 gxh5 Endgame KRR-KRR
32.Kf2 -1.67/20
[32.g3∓ -1.03/22]



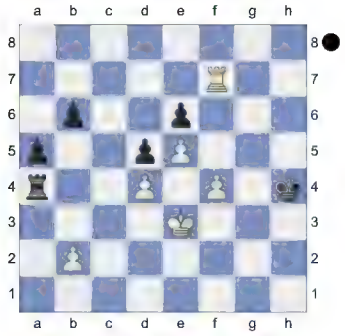
32...Rc4!-+ 33.Rcd1 Kg7 Hoping for ... Kg6. **34.Ke3** -2.28/25
[34.g3∓ -1.46/21]
34...Kg6 35.Kd3 Rxd4+



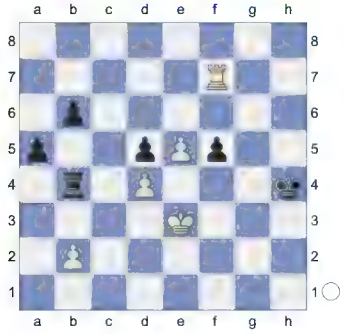
36.cxd4 KR-KR **36...Kf5** -1.70/24
[⌓36...Rg8 -3.05/23 37.f5+ *(37.Rh1? Kh6-+)* 37...Kxf5 38.Rf1+ Kg6]
37.Rh1 Kg4 -1.12/23
[37...Kxf4 38.Rxh5 Rg8 39.Rh4+ Rg4 40.Rxh7]
[37...Rg8-+ -1.69/25 38.Rxh5+ Kxf4 39.Rh4+ Rg4 40.Rxh7 Rg3+ 41.Kd2 Rxg2+ 42.Kc3 Rg3+ 43.Kd2 Ke4 44.Rh4+ Kf5]
38.g3∓ Rh8 39.Ke3 Rc8 0.01/22
[39...Kxg3 40.Rg1+ Kh3 41.Kf3=]
[39...h6∓ -0.77/23 White must now prevent ...b5! 40.Rh4+ *(40.Kf2 Rc8∓)* 40...Kxg3 41.Rxh5 Kg4]
40.Rh4+ -0.50/24
[40.Kd3= 0.01/22]
40...Kxg3∓



41.Rxh5 Rc4? 1.73/24
[41...h6= -0.01/22 and Black has nothing to worry.]
42.Rxh7+- Rxa4? 4.77/23
[42...Rc1 1.91/24 was necessary.]
43.Rg7+? 0.95/21
[43.Rxf7+- 4.77/23 is the precise move to win. Ra1 44.Rg7+ Kh3 45.Rg6]
43...Kh4± 44.Rxf7



Threatens to win with f5. **44...Rb4?** 5.75/22
[44...Ra1± 1.30/23 is more resistant.]
45.f5 exf5



46.e6 e7 would kill now. **46...Rxb2**
47.e7 Rb1 48.Kf4? 3.45/20
[48.Kf2 #12/20 mates Rb2+ 49.Kf3 Kg5 50.e8Q Rb3+ 51.Ke2 Rb2+ 52.Kd1 Kg4 53.Qe3]
48...Rf1++- 49.Ke5 a4? 10.22/26
[49...Re1+ 3.62/20 50.Kxd5 a4]
50.Rxf5
[Less strong is 50.Rh7+ Kg3±]
50...Re1+

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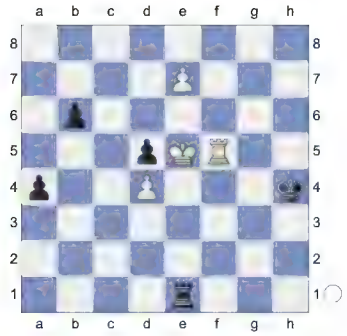
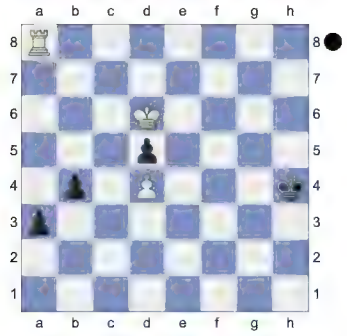


51.Kd6 Threatening mate with Re5. **51...a3 52.Rf8 b5 53.e8Q** White mates. **53...Rxe8 54.Rxe8 b4 55.Ra8**

[But not 55.Re2? b3 56.Re8 *(56.Re1? b2-+)* 56...b2-+]



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102 **B76**

□ **Quesada Perez,Yuniesky** **2591**

■ **Danielian,Vardan** **2230**

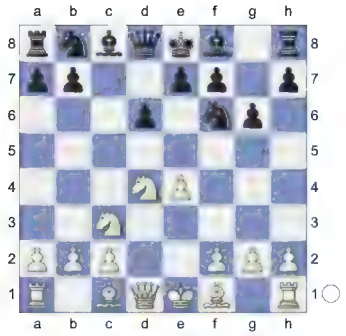
Titled 4. May Early (1) 14.05.2024

[Kitty Kat]

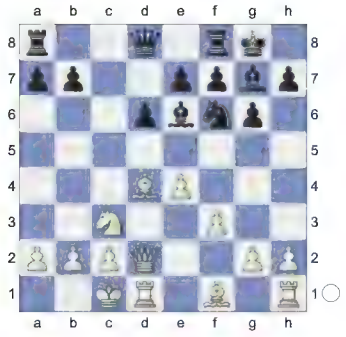
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

Vilela,J: 'Inf 37/235' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**

(Diagram)



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6



11.Kb1 Qc7 12.Nb5 Qc6

[12...Qb8 13.h4 h5 14.g4 hxg4 15.h5 gxf3 16.h6 Nxe4 17.hxg7 Nxd2+ 18.Rxd2 f6 19.gxf8Q+ Qxf8 20.Nc7 Bf7 21.Rdh2 Qg7 22.Nxa8 a6 23.Nb6 e5 24.Be3 g5 25.Bd3 g4 26.Rh7 1-0 (26) Asvoll,G (2623)-Sowul,B (2435) Game 1 2010 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z]]

[12...Qd7 13.g4 a6 14.Nc3 Rfc8 15.h4 b5 16.h5 Qb7 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.g5 Nh5 19.Bh3 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Rc4 21.Qe3 Rac8 22.Rd2 Qc6 23.Nd5 Qc5 24.Nxe7+ Kf8 25.Qxc5 R8xc5 26.Nxg6+ Kg7 27.Bxe6 Pavasovic,D (2548)-Svendsen,B (2214) chess.com INT 2017 [Chris Ward] 1-0 (52)]

13.Be3N

[13.h4 a6 14.Nc3 b5 15.h5 b4 16.Ne2 a5 17.g4 b3 18.cxb3 Nxe4 19.Qe3 Nf6 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Rc1 Qb7 22.Bxf6 exf6 23.Nd4 Rfe8

24.Qf4 a4 25.Bb5 axb3 26.Bxe8 Rxa2 27.Nxe6 fxe6 Diaz,J-Estevez,G Cuba 1984 CI1-130 [Vilela De Acuna, Jose Luis] 1-0 28.Qxd6]

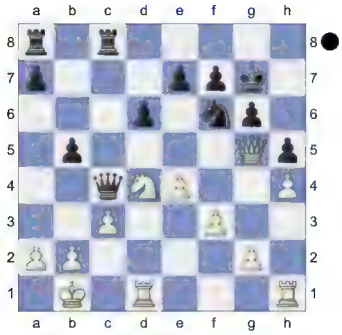
13...Bc4 14.Nd4 White is slightly better.

14...Qa6 15.Bxc4 Qxc4

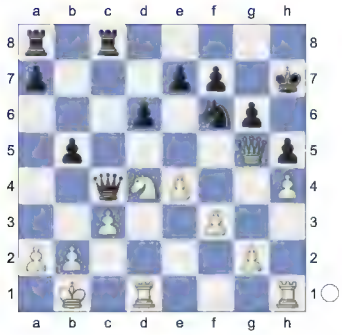
16.h4 h5 Inhibits g4. **17.Bh6 Rfc8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.c3 b5** 0.38/21

[19...Rc5= -0.09/18]

20.Qg5±



And now Nf5+ would win. **20...Kh7**



21.Qxb5 Qc7 22.Qb3 Kg7 23.Ka1 a5 24.a4 Rab8 25.Nb5 Qb6

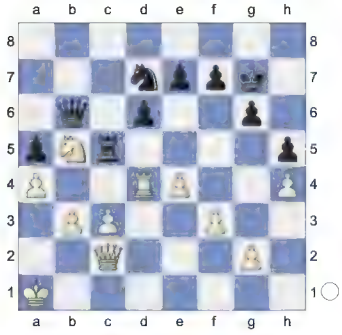
(Diagram)

26.Qc2 Prevents Qf2. **26...Rc4** 0.94/20

[26...Qc5± 0.55/16 is more appropriate.]

27.Rd4 Rbc8

Threatens to win with ...Rxd4. **28.Rhd1 Rxd4 29.Rxd4 Nd7 30.b3 Rc5**



31.Kb2 &Bianco is more active. **31...Ne5 32.Rd1** 0.97/20

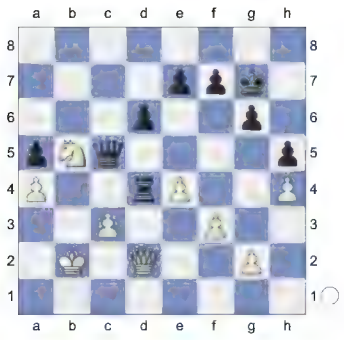
[⩲32.Qd2 1.38/21]

32...Nc4+? 3.74/23 This costs Black the game. **33.bxc4+- Rxc4 34.Rd4 Qc5** 8.93/23

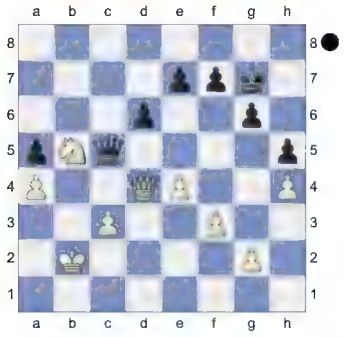
[34...Rc5 3.86/22 35.Qe2 Kg8]

35.Qd2 Rxd4

(Diagram)



36.Qxd4+



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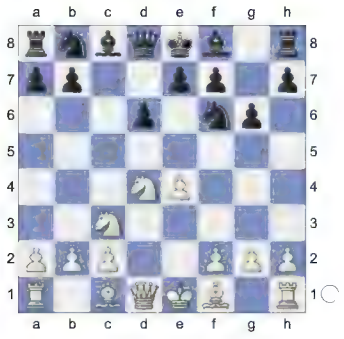
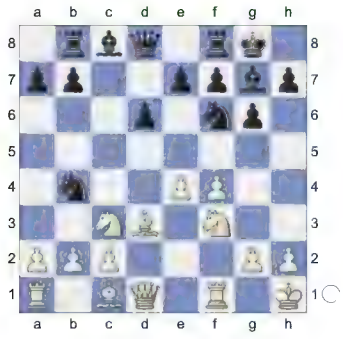
103 **B71**
□ **Filmer75** **2589**
■ **Cachs** **2565**
Blitz 28.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

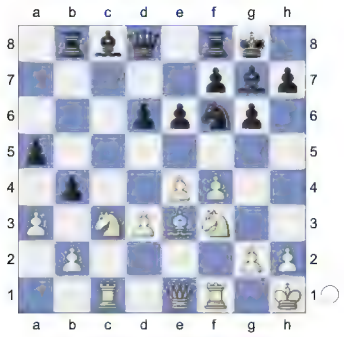
Blitz 3min
B71: Sicilian Dragon: 6 f4
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



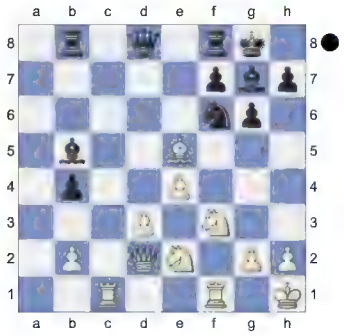
6.f4 Nc6 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Bd3 0-0 9.0-0 Rb8N
[9...b5 10.Nxb5 *(10.Qe1 Nb4 11.Qh4 Nxd3 12.cxd3 b4 13.Nd1 e6 14.Be3 Ba6 15.Nf2 Nh5 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.g4 Nf6 18.Rac1 h5 19.gxh5 Nxh5 20.Rc7 Rdc8 21.Rfc1 Bxb2 22.R1c6 Bb7 23.Rc4 Ba6 24.R4c6 Rxc7* Hector,J-Grandelius,N 19: Swedish Championships, Falun 2012 MBM: Sicilian Dragon [Carsten Hansen] ½-½ (44) *)* 10...Qb6+ 11.Kh1 Nxe4 12.Nxa7 Nc5 *(12...Rxa7 13.Bxe4 Nb4 14.a3 d5 15.Bxd5 Bf5 16.Bb3 Rc8 17.Ng5 Nxc2 18.Bxf7+ Kf8 19.Qd5 e6 20.Bxe6 Rd8 21.Qa2 Nxa1 22.Bxf5 gxf5 23.Ne6+ Ke8 24.Nxd8 Nb3 25.Nc6 Rd7 26.Ne5 Bxe5 27.fxe5* Tischbierek,R (2526)-Shirov,A (2751) Germany 2000 CBM 076 [Tyomkin,Dimitri] 1-0 (44)*)* 13.Nxc8 Rfxc8 8. Levenfish System - 6.f4-N,N 14.Bc4 e6 15.Qe2 Qb7 16.Bb5 Nb4 14) Levenfish Variation (6.f4-Levenfish Variation: 7.Nf3 #1]
[9...Bg4 10.Qe1 Rc8 11.Kh1 Qa5 12.Qg3 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 Nd4 14.Qh3 d5 15.Bd2 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Qd5 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Bc3 Rc5 19.f5 Nxf5 20.Bxf6 exf6 21.Bxf5 gxf5 22.Rad1 Qe6 23.c3 B5 Bd6-6.Nxe4 Agde 2011 CBM 45 group4 [Lane, CCYB6]]
10.Kh1 Nb4



11.a3 Nxd3 Black has an edge. **12.cxd3 b5 13.Qe1 e6 14.Be3 a5 15.Rc1** -0.56/18
[15.b4= -0.06/17]
15...b4∓



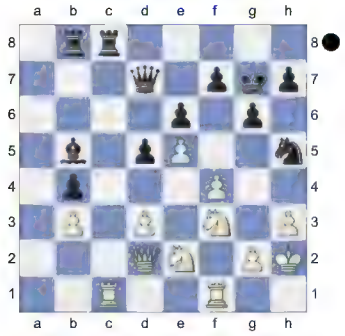
16.axb4 axb4 17.Ne2 Ba6 18.Qd2 Bb5 19.Bd4 -0.60/17
[19.Ned4= -0.02/18]
19...Qd7 0.00/17
[19...e5∓ -0.60/17 20.fxe5 dxe5 21.Bxe5 *(21.Nxe5 Nxe4 22.Qe3 Ng5∓)*



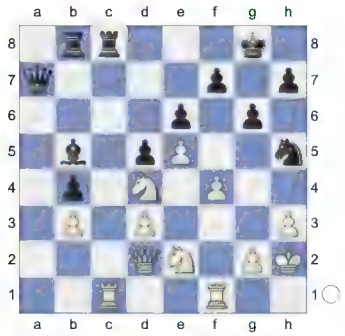
21...Nxe4!]
20.b3 Rfc8

21.h3 Nh5 0.32/21
[21...Ba6= -0.01/18]

22.Bxg7± Kxg7 0.79/18
[22...Nxg7± 0.33/20 23.Rfe1 Nh5]
23.Kh2 0.22/17
[23.Qxb4± 0.79/18 Strongly threatening Rxc8. f6 24.Qd2]
23...d5 1.10/20
[23...Kg8= 0.22/17]
24.e5±



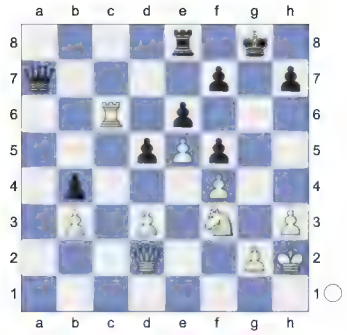
g4 is the strong threat. White stays focused until the end. **24...Qa7?** 2.68/20
[24...Kg8± 1.04/20 was called for.]
25.Nfd4? 0.63/20
[25.g4+- 2.68/20]
25...Kg8? 5.04/21
[Black should play 25...Rxc1!± 0.63/20 26.Rxc1 Kg8]



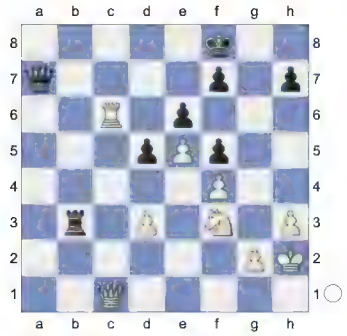
26.Rxc8++- Rxc8 27.Nxb5 Qb6 28.Nbd4 Ng7 29.Rc1 Re8 30.Rc6 Qb7

(Diagram)

31.Qc2 Nf5 32.Nxf5 gxf5 33.Nd4 Qa7 34.Nf3 Qe3 35.Qd2 Qa7



36.Qxb4 Rb8 37.Qc3 Threatens to win with Qe1. **37...Qe3 38.Qd2 Qa7 39.Qe1 Kf8 40.Qc1 Rxb3**



41.Rc8+ Kg7 42.Qe1

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104 **B70**

□ **Bubu88** **2585**

■ **Viennadragon** **2527**

Blitz 02.06.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min

B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)

The Anti-Sveshnikov is not as popular as it was a few years ago, but it is still a reasonable option for those that don't mind some Open Sicilians but prefer to avoid the Sveshnikov. **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 g6**

6.Be2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 Nc6 9.Nb3 a6 10.h3N

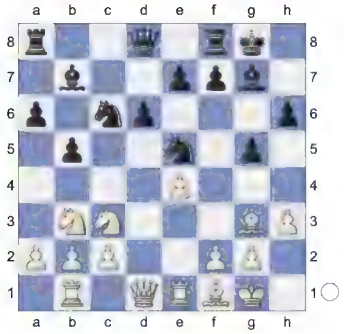
[10.Bf1 b5 *(10...Re8 11.Nd5 Nd7 12.c3 b6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Bb7 15.Qd2 b5 16.a4 bxa4 17.Rxa4 g5 18.Bg3 e6 19.Ne3 Nb6 20.Raa1 Ne5 21.f3 Qc7 22.Na5 Bc8 23.Red1 Bf8 24.b4 Bd7 25.c4* Fedorchuk,S (2603)-Shirov,A (2726) Trier GER 2008 [Vigorito, D] 1-0 (60))

11.Bg5 h6 *(11...Re8 12.Qd2 Rb8 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Ne5 15.Na5 b4 16.Nb3 Qc7 17.Rac1 Bb7 18.Re4 e6 19.Rxb4 exd5 20.Bh6 Bh8 21.c3 Nc4 22.Bxc4 dxc4*

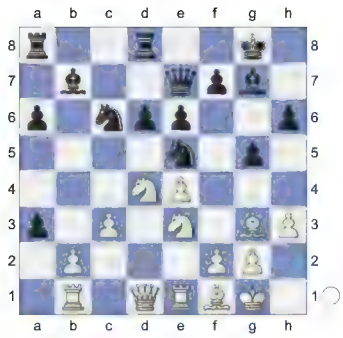
23.Nd4 Re5 24.b3 cxb3 25.Rxb3 Rbe8 26.Bf4 Dyer,D (2478)-Vaslovski, J (2468) Melilla 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (99)*; 11...Bb7 12.Qd2 Re8 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Ne5 15.a4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.Na5 c3 18.Nxb7 cxd2 19.Nxd8 dxe1Q+* 0-1 (19) Ehlvest,J-Pigusov,E USSR 41/573 1986 CI1-130 [Kuporosov,V; Pigusov,E]*)* 12.Bh4 Nd7 13.Rb1 Nb6 14.Nd5 Re8 15.f4 Bb7 16.c3 Rc8 17.Kh1 Nb8 18.Be2 N8d7 19.Bf3 Ba8 20.Qe2 Rc4 21.Rbd1 Nxd5 22.exd5 g5 23.Bf2 Rxf4 24.Bg3 Rc4 13.g5 ♘c5 14.♕f3 (2483)-Novicevic,M (2557) Cap d'Agde FRA 1999 Telechess CBM 89 [CPQC April 1875]]

10...b5

11.Bf1 Bb7 12.Bg5 The position is equal. **12...h6 13.Bh4 g5 14.Bg3 Nd7 15.Rb1 Nde5**



16.Nd5 e6 17.Ne3 Qe7 18.c3 Rfd8 19.a4 bxa4 20.Nd4 a3



21.bxa3 Rac8 22.Qa4 Nb8! 23.Rb6 -0.33/19

[23.Qb4= 0.13/18 should be considered. Bxe4 24.Rbd1 *(24.Nxe6 Bxb1 25.Nxd8 Bg6=)*]

23...Bxe4 -0.01/18

[Resist 23...Rxc3 24.Qb4 Rc7 25.Nef5! exf5 26.Nxf5±]

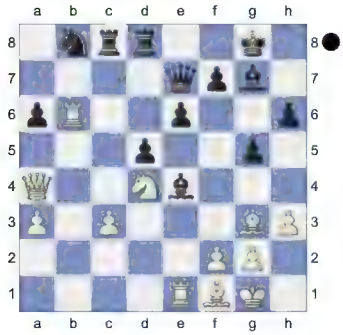
[23...Ba8∓ -0.33/19]

24.Nc4 -0.92/21

[24.Nxe6!= -0.01/18 Qxe6 25.Qxe4]

24...Nxc4 25.Bxc4 d5

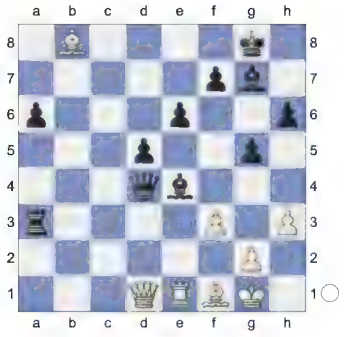
26.Bf1



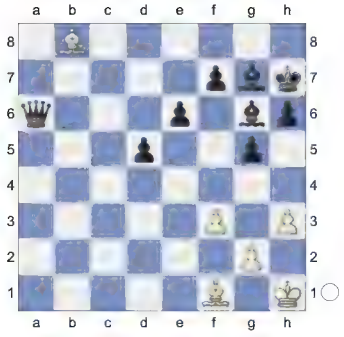
Rxc3 -0.63/20

[26...Qc5!∓ -1.08/21 27.Rb3 Nd7 28.Qxa6 e5 29.Rxe4 dxe4]

27.f3? -4.43/21 Loses the game.
[Much worse is 27.Bxb8 Qc5 28.Nxe6 fxe6∓]
[27.Rxb8∓ -0.63/20 Rxb8 28.Bxb8]
27...Rxa3 28.Qd1 Qc5 29.Rxb8 -7.79/25
[⌓29.Bf2 -4.05/19 Qxb6 30.Nb5]
29...Rxb8
[Worse is 29...Qxd4+ 30.Bf2 Rxb8 31.Bxd4=]
30.Bxb8 Qxd4+

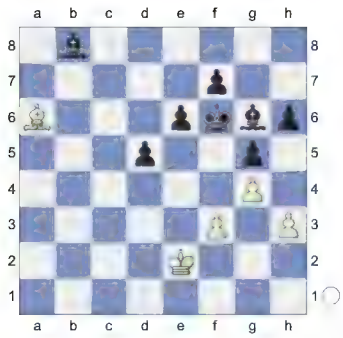


31.Kh1 Bg6 32.Qc1 Ra1 -3.01/24
[⌓32...Rc3 -6.17/21 33.Qb2 a5]
33.Qc8+ -5.51/25
[33.Qxa1 -3.01/24 was necessary. Qxa1 34.Rxa1 Bxa1 35.Bxa6]
33...Kh7-+ 34.Rxa1 Qxa1 35.Qxa6 Qxa6



36.Bxa6 KBB-KBB **36...Bd4 37.g4 Kg7 38.Kg2 Kf6 39.Kf1 Be5 40.Ke2?** -12.65/26
[40.Ba7 -3.11/25]
40...Bxb8

(Diagram)



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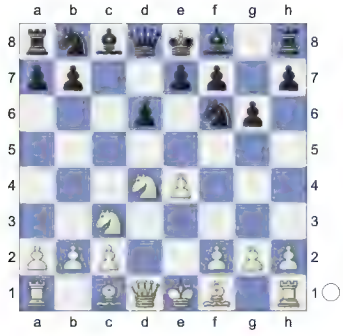
105 **B70**
□ **Negolub** **2577**
■ **Winx,M** **2956**
Blitz 20.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.g3 Bg7 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 Bd7 9.h3 Nc6 10.Nde2 Rb8

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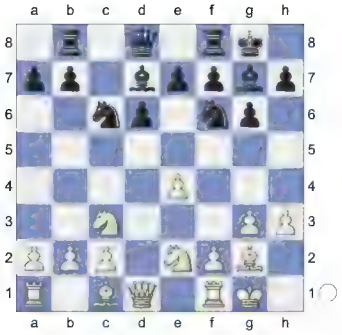
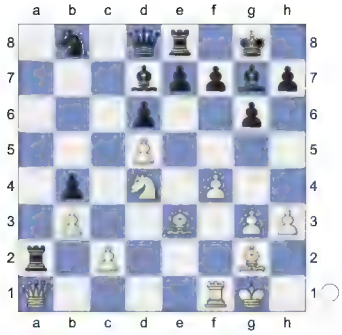


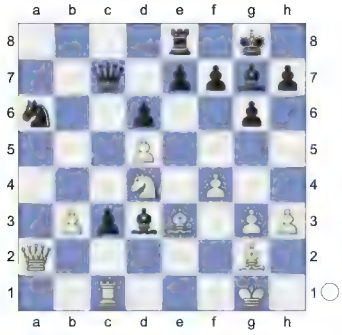
11.a4 a6 12.Be3 b5 13.axb5 axb5 14.b3N
[14.Nd4 Ne5 15.b3 Qc8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bxh3 18.Ra5 Bd7 19.Qe2 Qc3 20.Ra7 Bf6 21.Rd1 Rfc8 22.Be4 h5 23.Rxd7 Nxd7 24.Nc6 Rb7 25.Nxe7+ Bxe7 26.Bd4 Qc7 27.Bxg6 fxg6 28.Qe6+ Kf8 Babula,M-Civin,T 6. g3: Model Games 0-1 (34)]
14...b4 The position is equal. **15.Nd5 Re8**

16.Ra2 Rb5 17.f4 0.18/18
[17.Qd2± 0.54/18]
17...Nxd5 18.exd5 Nb8 19.Nd4 Ra5 20.Qa1 -1.05/21
[20.Rxa5± 0.37/19 stays ahead. Qxa5 21.f5]
20...Rxa2∓

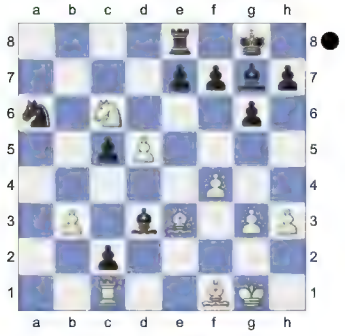
(Diagram)



21.Qxa2 Qc7 0.01/17 Prevents Qa7.
[21...Qc8!∓ -1.31/19 22.Re1 Bxh3]
22.c4 -1.33/21
[22.Bf2= 0.01/17]
22...bxc3 23.Nc2 -2.25/19
[23.Rc1∓ -0.99/19]
23...Bb5 24.Rc1 Na6 25.Nd4 Bd3



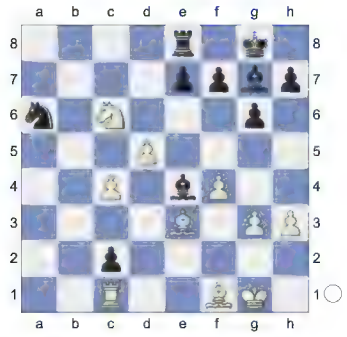
26.Qa3 Qc5 -1.34/22 Inhibits b4.
[26...Bxd4-+ -2.44/20 27.Bxd4 c2]
27.Qxc5 dxc5 28.Nc6 c2 -0.56/21
[28...Nb4∓ -1.18/22 And now ...c2 would win. 29.Ne5 Bxe5 30.fxe5 c2]
29.Bf1!∓



c4 0.01/22
[Much weaker is 29...Bxf1 30.Kxf1 Nb4 31.Nxb4 cxb4 32.Rxc2=]

[29...Be4!∓ -0.58/22 30.Bxa6 Bb2]

30.bxc4= Be4



Strongly threatening ...Bb2. **31.Bg2 Bd3** 1.17/22

[31...Bf5!= -0.09/20 remains equal.]

32.Ne5± Bxe5 33.fxe5 Rb8? 2.20/19

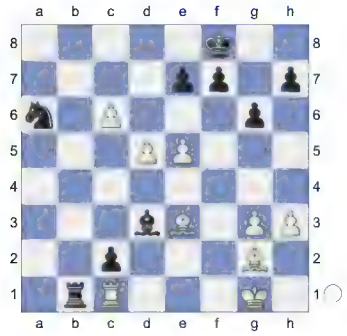
[33...f6!± 0.45/17]

34.c5!+- Black must now prevent c6.

34...Rb1 2.77/21

[34...Rd8 1.99/18 keeps fighting. 35.c6 f6]

35.c6 Kf8



36.d6 Ke8 37.Kf2

[Resist 37.c7 Nxc7 38.dxc7 Kd7+-]

37...Nc5? 18.06/21

[37...h5 2.35/18 38.c7 Nxc7]

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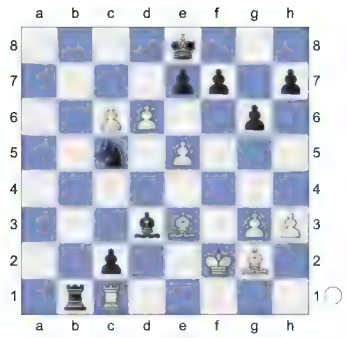
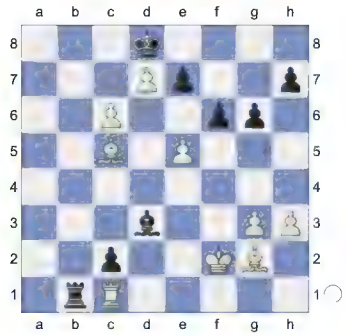


38.Bxc5! Threatening mate with c7.

38...f6

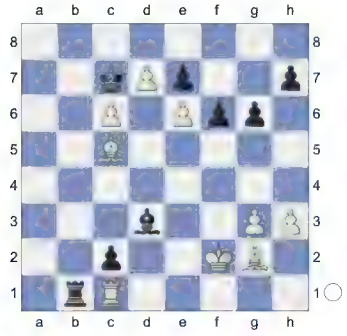
[38...exd6 39.exd6]

39.d7+ Kd8



40.e6! 27.86/17 **Kc7**

[40...Bc4 41.Bxe7+]



41.Bxe7!

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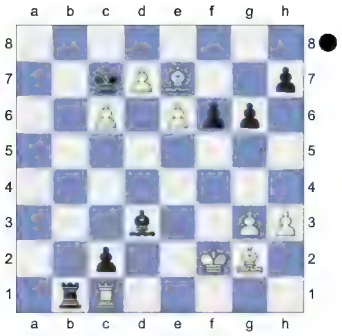
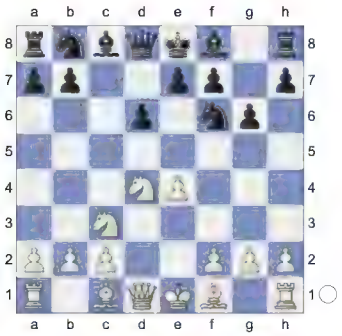


Never resign too early!
Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/ Black=0.79
1-0

106 **B76**
□ **Plevok228** **2570**
■ **Lexus Rx,T** **2658**
Rapid 03.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

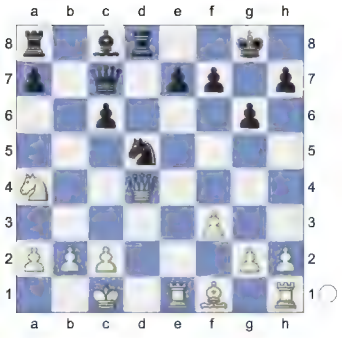


6.Be3 Nc6 7.f3 Bg7 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5

(Diagram)

11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 Bxd4N
[12...e5 13.Bc5 Be6 *(13...Re8 14.Ne4 Qc7 15.h4 Bf5 16.h5 Nf4 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Ng5 h6 19.Bc4+ Nd5 20.Bxd5+ cxd5 21.Qxd5+ Kh8 22.Nf7+ Kh7 23.Ng5+ Kh8 24.g4 Rad8 25.Nf7+* 1-0 (25) Issabayev,D (2203)-Golsta,M (1979) Chess.com INT 2025 *)* 14.Ne4 Re8 15.g4 h6 16.h4 Qc7 17.g5 h5 18.Bc4 Red8 19.Qe1 *(19.Qf2 Qb7 20.Rhe1 Nf4 21.Bxe6 Nxe6 22.Bd6 Rd7 23.Rd2 Rad8 24.Red1 c5 25.Qf1 f5 26.Qc4 fxe4 27.Qxe6+ Kh7 28.fxe4 Qxe4 29.a3 Qxh4 30.Kb1 Qxg5 31.Rd3 Qf6 32.Qxf6 Bxf6 33.Bxc5 Rxd3* Werner,D-Johlke,L Calcutta 75/160 2005 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] 0-1 (44)*)* 19...Rab8 20.Rh2 Qb7 21.b3 Nf4 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Qa5 Rd7 24.Ba6 Qb8 25.Rd2 Rxd2 26.Qxd2 Bd5 27.Qa5 Hommeles,T (2412)-Samsonkin,A (2403) Edmonton 2009 CBM 132 Extra [Shabalov,Alexander] 1-0 (46)]
13.Qxd4 Qb6 14.Na4 Qc7 0.40/17
[14...Qa5= 0.09/18]
15.Re1 -0.18/19
[White should try 15.Bc4± 0.40/17]
15...Rd8=

(Diagram)



16.Qc5? -3.60/20 Against Qa5
[16.Bc4= -0.12/17 and White is okay.]
16...Qf4+-+ Black is winning. **17.Kb1 Qxa4 18.Re4** -20.97/20
[18.Bc4 -3.50/18 Bf5 19.Bb3]

Prevents Nb4. **18...Nc3+?** -2.53/5
19.bxc3 Rb8+
[And not 19...Rd1+ 20.Kb2 Rb8+ 21.Rb4 Rxb4+ 22.cxb4=]
20.Kc1? -15.83/21
[20.Rb4 -2.92/21 Bf5 21.Bd3]
20...Qxa2

21.Rd4 Bf5 22.Kd2 Qxc2+ 23.Ke3 Qc1+ -6.46/5
[⌓23...Rxd4 -20.75/25 24.cxd4 Rb3+ 25.Kf4 Qd2+ 26.Kg3 Qe1+ 27.Kf4 Qh4+ 28.g4 g5+ 29.Ke5 Re3+ 30.Kxf5 Rxf3+ 31.Ke5 Qe1+ 32.Be2 Qxe2#]
24.Kf2 Rxd4 25.Qxd4 Rb2+

26.Kg1 Rb1 27.Kf2 Rb2+? -0.01/17
[27...Qe1+ -#2/6 mates 28.Kg1 Qxf1#]
28.Kg1=

Qd2 -5.59/22
[⌓28...Bh3! -18.21/22 29.Qd8+ *(29.Qf2 Bxg2)* 29...Kg7 30.Qd4+ f6]
29.Qxa7 Qxc3 -5.94/24
[⌓29...Bd3 -#7/16 30.h4 Bxf1 31.Rh2 Bxg2 32.Qb8+ Rxb8 33.Rxg2 Qe1+ 34.Kh2 Qxh4+ 35.Kg1 Rb1#]
30.h4-+ h5

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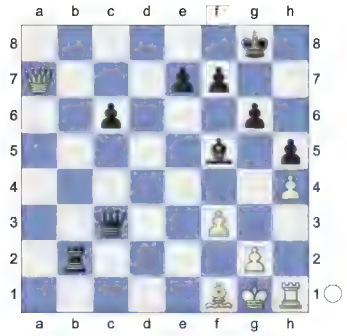
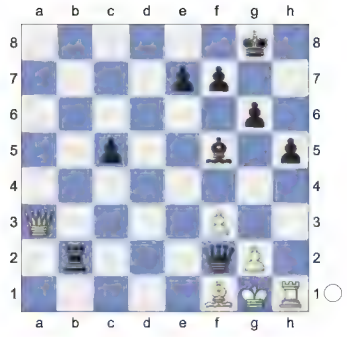
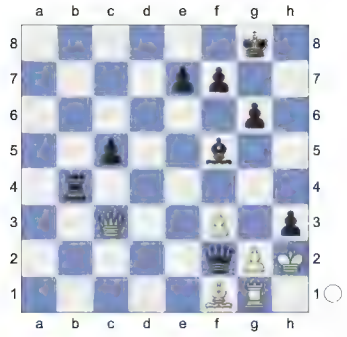


31.Kh2 Qe5+ 32.Kg1 c5 33.Qa3 Qd4+ 34.Kh2 Qxh4+ 35.Kg1 Qf2+

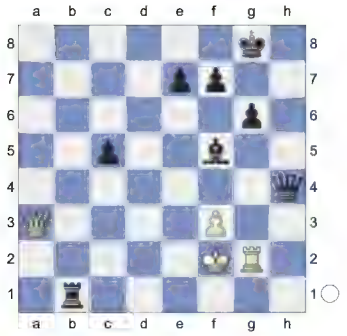


36.Kh2 h4 37.Qa8+ Kg7 38.Qa3 h3 39.Rg1 Rb4 40.Qc3+ Kg8

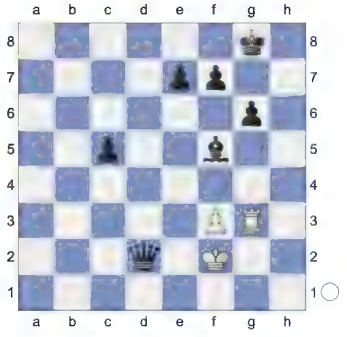


(-> ...Rh4) **41.Bc4 hxg2** -19.40/27
[⌓41...Rb1 -#14/22 42.Bf1 Rxf1 43.Qe3 Qxe3 44.Rxf1 Qd2 45.Kg3 Qxg2+ 46.Kf4 Qxf1 47.Ke3 Qe1+ 48.Kf4 Qg1 49.Ke5 Qd4#]
42.Rxg2 Qh4+ 43.Kg1 Qxc4 44.Qa3 Rb1+ 45.Kf2 Qh4+

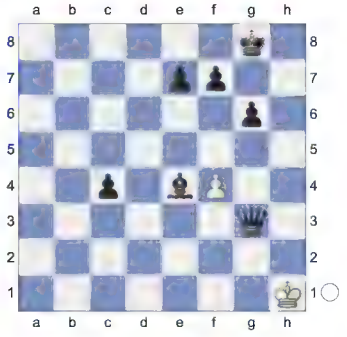
(Diagram)



46.Rg3 Qd4+ 47.Ke2 Rb2+ -18.05/5
[⌓47...Qe5+ -#5/12 48.Qe3 Rb2+ 49.Kd1 Qxe3 50.Rxg6+ fxg6 51.f4 Bg4#]
48.Qxb2 Qxb2+ 49.Ke3 Qc3+ 50.Kf2 Qd2+



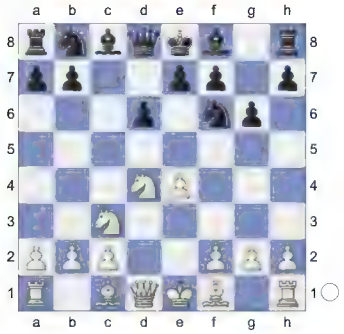
51.Kg1 Qe1+ 52.Kh2 c4 53.f4 Qxg3+ -17.96/5 **54.Kh1 Be4#**



White did not feel at home in the position after the opening.
Weighted Error Value: White=2.53/ Black=1.18
0-1

107 **B71**
□ **Www68** **2561**
■ **Midnightfox** **2482**
Blitz 02.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 5min
B71: Sicilian Dragon: 6 f4
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

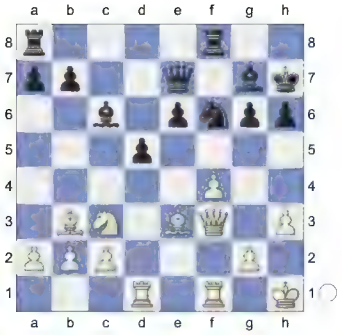


6.f4 Bg7 7.e5 Nfd7 0.67/19
[7...Nh5= 0.28/18 8.Bb5+ Bd7 9.e6 fxe6 10.Nxe6 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 Qc8 12.Bxd7+ Kxd7 13.Ng5 Qxc3+ 14.Bd2 Qc4 15.Rb1 b6 16.Rb4 Qd5 17.0-0 h6 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Rb3 Rhf8 20.Rd3 Qc4 21.g3 Nf6 22.Qe2 Kc7 Conquest,S (2555)-Avrukh,B (2588) Batumi 1999 CBM 74 [Avrukh,B] 0-1 (41)]
[7...dxe5 8.fxe5 Nfd7 9.e6 Ne5 10.Bb5+ Nbc6 11.exf7+ Kxf7 12.0-0+ Bf6 13.Bxc6 Nxc6 14.Be3 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bf5 16.Bxf6 Qxd1 17.Nxd1 exf6 18.Ne3 Be6 19.Rad1 Rad8 20.b3 Rhe8 21.c4 b6 22.Rxd8 Dreyfus,J (1712)-Sesia,N (1723) Vaujany 2017 EXT 2020 [ChessBase II] ½-½ (36)]
8.e6± Nf6 9.exf7+N
[9.Bb5+ Kf8 10.exf7 Kxf7 11.Qf3 *(11.0-0 e6 12.Nf3* B 71/01) 11...e6 12.Be3 d5 13.0-0-0 Rf8 14.h4 Nc6 15.h5 Ne7 16.g4 Kg8 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.g5 Ng4 19.Qxg4 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 1-0 (20) Wierenga,J (2531)-Morris,B Xinghua Jiangsu CHN 1999 CBM 150 Extra [BCM 1891 p480]]
9...Kxf7 White is slightly better. **10.Bc4+ d5**

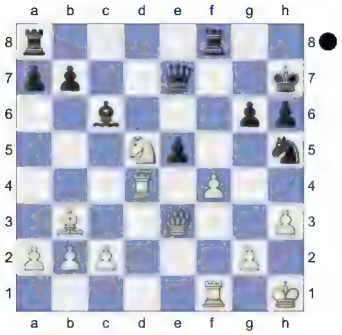
11.Bb3 Re8 12.Nf3 e6 13.0-0 Nc6 14.h3 Kg8 15.Be3 h6 0.74/16
[15...Nh5= 0.26/17 might be stronger. 16.Nd4 Rf8]

16.Nd4
[16.Qd3 is interesting. Kh7 17.Rae1 Bd7 18.g4]
16...Kh7 17.Qf3 Bd7 18.Rad1 Qe7 19.Kh1 Rf8 20.Nxc6 -0.21/19
[⌓20.Rfe1 0.10/17]
20...Bxc6=

(Diagram)

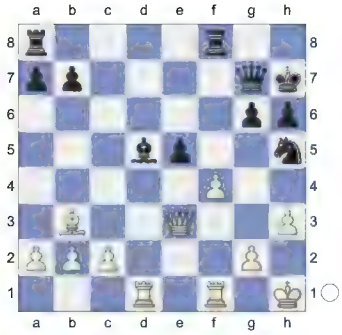


21.Bd4 -0.61/19
[21.Qf2!= -0.13/18 should be considered.]
21...Nh5∓ 22.Qe3 Bxd4 23.Rxd4 e5 0.01/20
[23...Qg7∓ -0.76/19 Threatens to win with ...e5! 24.Rf3 Rae8]
24.Nxd5 -0.72/21
[24.Re1= 0.01/20 Qc5 25.Qxe5]

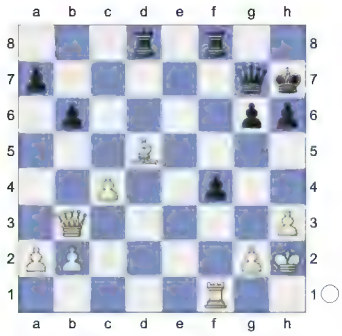


24...Qg7 -0.01/20
[Black should play 24...Qd8!∓ -0.72/21 25.Rd3 *(25.Qxe5? Re8-+)* 25...exf4]
25.Rdd1= Bxd5
[25...Rad8 looks sharper. 26.Kh2 exf4 27.Qe7 g5]

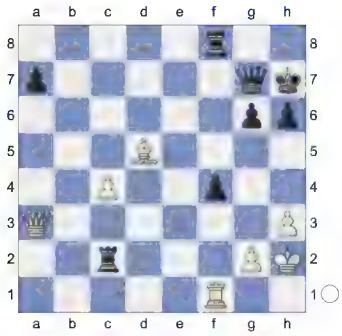
(Diagram)



Remove Defender **26.Bxd5?** -1.54/20
[26.Rxd5= 0.01/22 exf4 27.Qd3 Ng3+ 28.Kg1]
26...exf4∓ Discovered Attack **27.Qb3 Ng3+ 28.Kh2 Nxf1+ 29.Rxf1 Rad8 30.c4 b6**



31.a4 Rde8 32.a5 -2.23/22
[32.Bf3 -1.84/19 might work better.]
32...bxa5 33.Qa3 Re2 34.Qxa5 Rxb2 35.Qa3 -2.51/21
[35.Qa4 -1.77/20 was necessary.]
35...Rc2? -0.75/21
[35...f3-+ -2.51/21 (-> ...Qe5+) 36.Bxf3 Rc2]



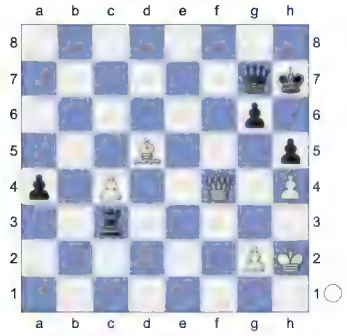
36.Qd3? -2.76/23 Loses the game.

[36.Rb1∓ -0.75/21 was the only defense. Rc8 37.Qd6 R8xc4 38.Bxc4 Rxc4 39.Rf1]

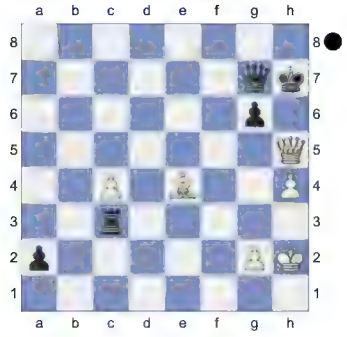
36...Rc3-+ 37.Qe4 a5 38.h4 h5 39.Rxf4? -9.20/24

[39.Qe6 -3.84/18]

39...Rxf4 40.Qxf4 Endgame KQR-KQB **40...a4**



aiming for ...a3. **41.Qg5 a3 42.Be4 a2 43.Qxh5+**

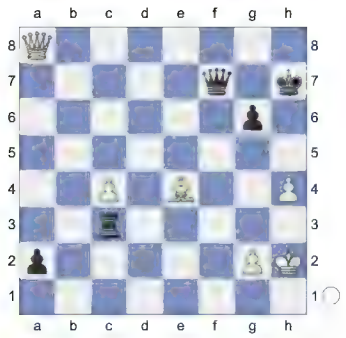


Kg8!

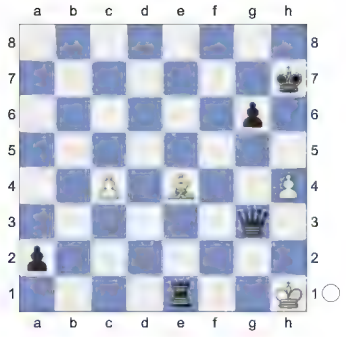
[Weaker is 43...Qh6 44.Bxg6+ Kg7 45.Qe5+ Kxg6 46.Qe6+ Kg7 47.Qe7+ Kg6 48.Qe6+ Kg7 49.Qe7+ Kh8 50.Qe8+ Kh7 51.Qf7+ Kh8 52.Qe8+ Kh7 53.Qf7+ Qg7 54.Qh5+ Qh6 55.Qf7+=]

44.Qd5+ Qf7 45.Qa8+ Kh7

(Diagram)



46.Qa5 Qf4+ Black mates. **47.g3 Qxg3+ 48.Kh1 Rc1+ 49.Qe1 Rxe1#**



Weighted Error Value: White=0.66/ Black=0.28 (precise)

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108 **B75**

□ **Rookie1243** **2558**

■ **Generalrelativity777** **2486**

Rapid 02.06.2024

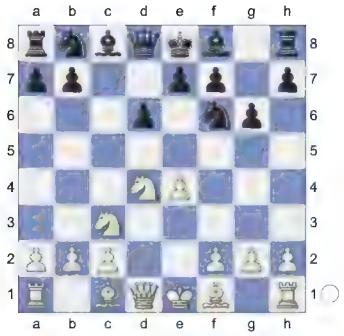
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min

B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 Bd7 9.Bc4 h6N

[9...Rc8 10.Bb3 Ne5 *(10...Na5 11.0-0-0 a6 12.Kb1 b5 13.g4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.h4 b4 16.Nce2 a5 17.Ng3 h5 18.g5 Nh7 19.f4 Bg4 20.Rc1 0-0 21.f5 Be5 22.Nge2 Qa8 23.b3 Rcc8 24.Qd3 Rfd8 25.c4* 14.Be3 Nc5 15.Rab1 Qb-Scarlatti,P Hastings 2009 CYB 13 [Bern,Ivar] 0-1 (45) *)* 11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Qa5 13.Nde2 Nc4 14.0-0-0 b5 *(14...Qh5 15.Qxh5 Nxh5 16.Rd4 Na5 17.Nd5 Nxb3+ 18.axb3 f6 19.Kd2 Kf7 20.Ra1 a6 21.Rb4 Rb8 22.Nb6 Be6 23.Nd4 Rhd8 24.Nxe6 Kxe6 25.Ke3 Ng7 26.Rd4 Kf7 27.Rad1 Ne6 28.R4d2 g5 29.b4* Duhm,H (2618)-Gibbons,B (2509) New York 1998 CBM 88_01 [INF 61/(92)] ½-½ (31) *)* 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Qc7 17.Rhe1 Na5 18.Nd4 Nxb3+ 19.axb3 Qc5 20.Qg7 Rf8 21.Qf6 e6 22.dxe6 fxe6 23.Rxe6+ Bxe6 24.Qxf8+ Kalashikov 5.Nb5 d6 6.g3 #9-Gibbons,B Hockenheim/Willingen GER 1990 Lexikon04 [T.H.Tylor, CHESS vol.1, no.9] 1-0 (60)]

[9...0-0 10.0-0-0 Na5 11.Bb3 Rb8 12.Bh6 b5 13.h4 e5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nde2 b4 16.Nd5 Nxb3+ 17.cxb3 Nxd5 18.Qxd5 Bb5 19.Qd2 h5 20.Kb1 Qf6 21.Nc1 Rfd8 22.Qe3 Rb7 23.Nd3 a5 24.g4 Sax,G (2510)-Bilek,I (2495) Hungary 1975 CBM 98 theory [Rogozenko] 1-0 (40)]

10.0-0-0 Rc8

11.Bb3 0.40/17

0x0.001dda1766e0dp-1022s more active pieces.

[11.Nxc6± 0.77/18 Rxc6 12.Bb5]

11...Na5 0.77/19

[11...Ne5± 0.40/17 feels stronger.]

12.Kb1 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.g4 h5 0.99/17

[14...Qb8± 0.63/17]

15.g5± Nh7

16.h4 0-0 17.Nce2 0.33/18

[17.Nde2± 0.80/17]

17...a6 18.Ng3 Qc8

[18...Qb6 19.b3 Rcc8 20.Ndf5!±]

19.f4 -0.10/19

[19.b3± 0.43/18 Rc7 20.Nde2]

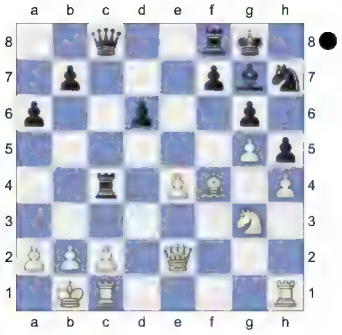
19...Bg4= 20.Rc1 -0.58/18

[20.Nde2= 0.06/19]

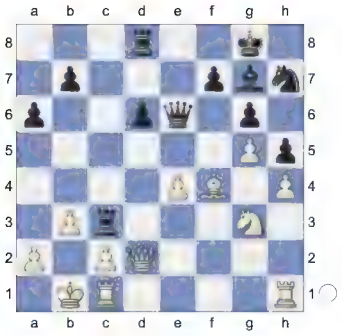
20...e5∓

(Diagram)

...exf4 is the strong threat. **21.Nde2 Bxe2 22.Qxe2??** -3.10/20
[White should try 22.Nxe2∓ -0.55/21 Rxe4 23.Nc3]
22...exf4-+ 23.Bxf4



Qe6 0.01/19
[23...Bxb2!-+ -2.87/19 24.Rcd1 *(24.Kxb2? is a self mate. Rb4+ 25.Ka3 Qc3#; 24.Rcf1 Bg7)* 24...Rb4]
24.b3 Rc3 25.Qd2 Rd8

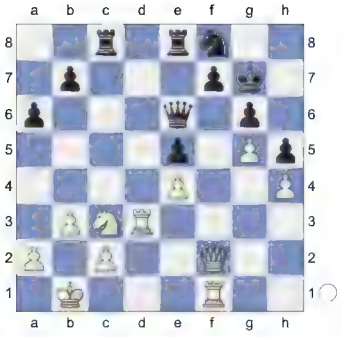


26.Rhe1 -0.84/21
[26.e5= -0.23/18 remains equal. Rf3 27.Rhf1 *(27.exd6? Bc3-+)* 27...Rxf1 28.Rxf1]
26...Rcc8 -0.18/20
[26...Rf3∓ -0.84/21 Threatens to win with ...Bc3. 27.Rf1 Rxf1 28.Nxf1 *(28.Rxf1 Qg4∓)* 28...Qxe4]
27.Re3 -0.91/20 Against Bc3
[27.Qf2= -0.18/20]
27...Nf8 -0.34/16
[27...Qg4∓ -0.91/20 28.Rd3 Qxh4]
28.Rd3 -0.94/19
[28.Qd1∓ -0.34/16]
28...Be5 0.01/19
[28...Qg4∓ -0.94/19 Hoping for ...Ne6. 29.Rg1 Qxh4 30.Bxd6 Re8]
29.Rf1 Re8 0.18/20
[⌓29...Nd7 -0.19/20]
30.Bxe5= dxe5 0.72/20
[30...Qxe5= 0.10/22 keeps the balance. 31.Qf2 Re7]

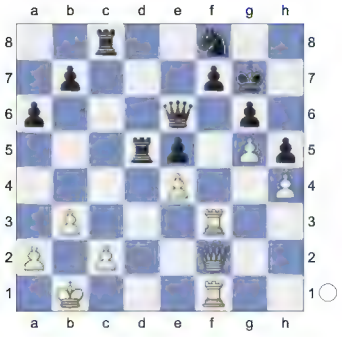
31.Ne2!± Qg4

32.Nc3 And now Nd5 would win.
32...Kg7? 2.77/22
[32...Ne6± 0.96/22 was necessary.]
33.Qf2+- Qe6

(Diagram)

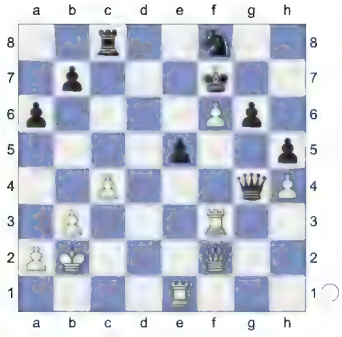


34.Nd5? 0.68/20
[34.Rf3!+- 2.65/22 aiming for Rf6. Nd7 35.Rxf7+ Kh8 36.Qd2 *(36.Nd5 Rf8+-)*]
34...Red8? 2.39/20
[34...Nd7± 0.68/20]
35.Rf3 Rxd5? #9/21
[35...Rd7+- 2.50/20 36.Nb6 Rcc7 37.Nxd7 Qxd7]

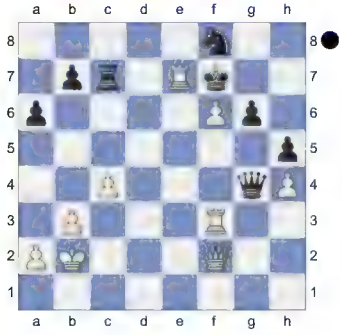


36.exd5 17.09/21
[⌓36.Rxf7+ #9/21 Qxf7 37.Qxf7+ Kh8 38.Qf6+ Kg8 39.exd5 e4 40.d6 Kh7 41.Qe7+ Kg8 42.Rf7 Rb8 43.Qf6 Ne6 44.Qxg6+ Kh8 45.Qh7#]
36...Qxd5 37.c4 5.79/23
[⌓37.Rxf7+ #9/20 Qxf7 38.Qxf7+ Kh8 39.Qe7 Kg8 40.Rf7 Rd8 41.Rg7+ Kh8 42.Qf7 Rd1+ 43.Kb2 Rb1+ 44.Kxb1 e4 45.Qxf8#]
37...Qe4+ 38.Kb2 f5 39.gxf6+ Kf7 40.Re1 Qg4

(Diagram)



41.Rxe5 Rc7 Prevents Re7+. **42.Re7+**

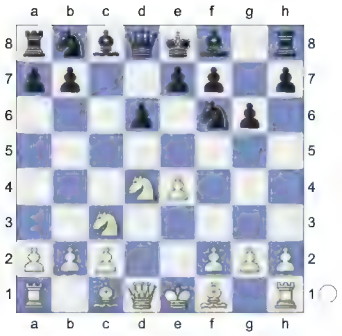


Quite a comeback for White.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/ Black=0.94
1-0

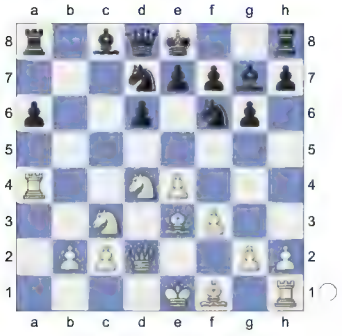
109 **B72**
□ **Buckt** **2552**
■ **Jam28Saf** **2402**
Blitz 28.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
Inf 4/513 **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**

(Diagram)



6.Be3 a6 7.f3 Nbd7 8.Qd2 b5 9.a4 White is slightly better. **9...bxa4 10.Rxa4 Bg7**



11.Be2 Nc5 12.Ra3 0-0 1.13/21
[Black should try 12...Qb6 0.71/20]
13.0-0 0.77/19
[⌓13.b4 1.13/21 Ne6 14.b5]
13...Bb7 14.b4N
[14.Rfa1 Qc8 15.Nb3 Nxb3 16.Rxb3 Nd7 17.Ra2 Qc7 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 a5 20.Bb5 Nb6 21.Qd3 Nd7 22.Rba3 Rfb8 23.Bxd7 Qxd7 24.b3 Qc7 25.c4 Rb7 26.Bd2 Bb2 27.Rxa5 Qb6+ 28.Kf1 Rxa5 Kavalek,L-Bilek,I Sousse (izt) 4/513 1967 Informant 004 [Trifunovic,P] 1-0 (40) 29.Rxa5]
14...Ncd7 15.Rfa1 Qc7

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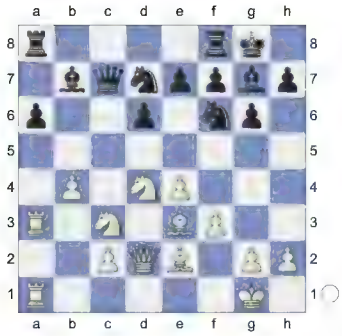
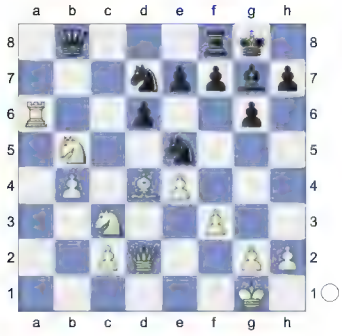
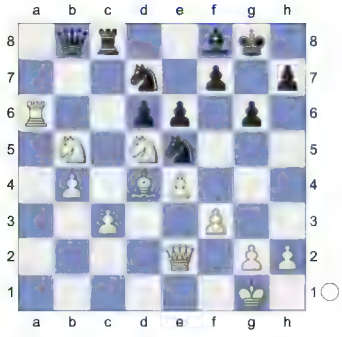


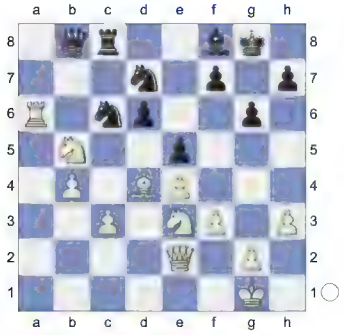
16.Bxa6 Bxa6 17.Rxa6 Rxa6 18.Rxa6 Ne5 19.Ndb5 0.62/20
[19.Bf2± 1.13/19]
19...Qb8 0.93/17
[19...Qc8± 0.62/20 20.Ra7 Nc4]
20.Bd4 Nfd7 1.16/19
[⌓20...Nh5 0.85/19]



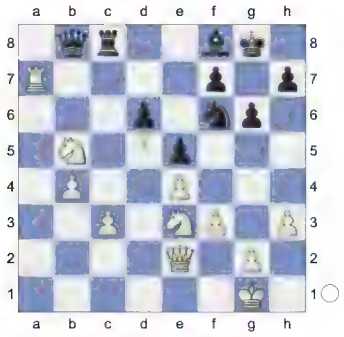
21.Qe2 0.51/19
[21.Qd1± 1.16/19]
21...Rc8 1.33/20
[21...Qb7± 0.51/19 22.Ra1 Rb8]
22.Nd5↑ Black is under strong pressure.
22...Bf8 23.c3 1.32/20
[23.Na7+- 1.72/22 Rc4 24.c3]
23...e6



24.Ne3 0.43/21
[24.Na7!± 1.49/20 exd5 25.Nxc8 Qxc8 26.exd5]
24...Nc6!± 25.h3 -0.69/18
[25.Ra3± 0.36/18]
25...e5 -0.01/22
[25...Qb7∓ -0.69/18 26.Ra3 Rb8]

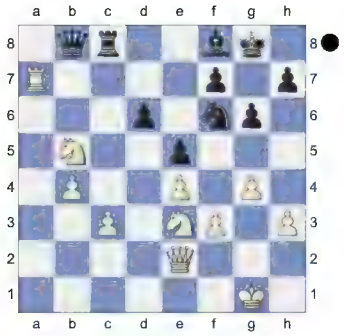


26.Ba7= Nxa7 2.41/22
[26...Qb7= 0.02/22 27.Rxc6 Qxc6]
27.Rxa7+-
[Much less strong is 27.Nxa7?! Rxc3 28.Nd5 Rc1+ 29.Kh2 Qd8]
27...Nf6

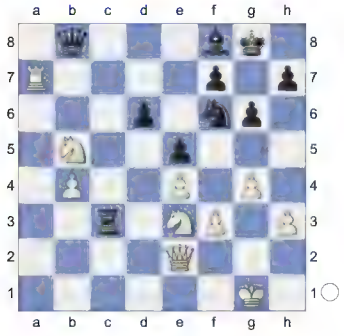


28.g4? -0.01/21
[28.Qa2!+- 2.26/19 d5 29.Nxd5! Nxd5 30.Qxd5 Qb6+ 31.Kh1]

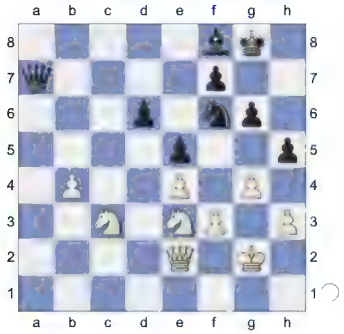
(Diagram)



28...Rxc3! 0.96/22

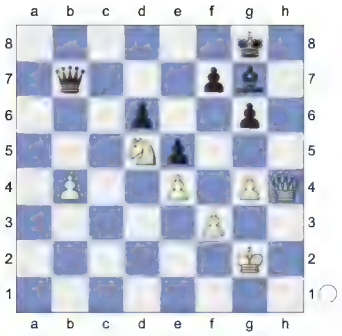


29.Nxc3 0.32/20 Pair of Knights!
[29.Qa2!± 0.96/22 Rc1+ 30.Kg2]
29...Qxa7± 30.Kg2 h5 1.33/20
[30...Be7± 0.35/20]

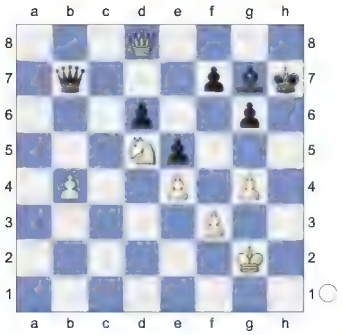


31.Ncd5 0.01/23
[31.g5± 1.33/20 Nh7 32.h4]
31...Nxd5= 32.Nxd5 hxg4 33.hxg4 Hoping for b5. **33...Bh6! 34.Qf2**
[34.Qb2 is more complex. Bf4 35.b5 Qa5 36.Kf2]
34...Qb7 2.70/28
[34...Qa4= -0.01/21]
35.Qh4+- Bg7

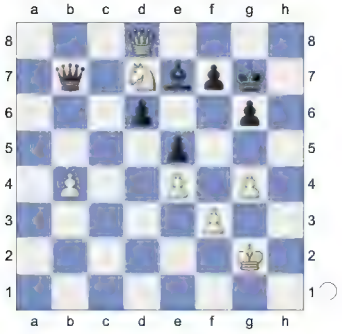
(Diagram)



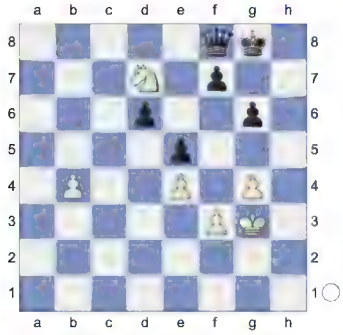
36.Qd8+ Kh7



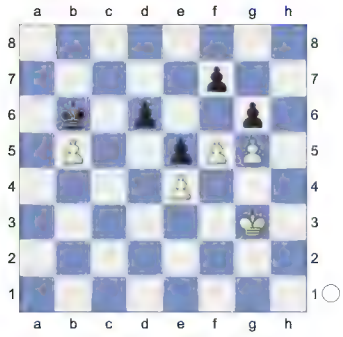
37.Qh4+? -0.01/23
[Resist 37.Qxd6?! Qb5+-]
[37.g5!+- 2.76/23 Strongly threatening Ne7. Qa6 38.Qb6]
37...Kg8= 38.Qd8+? 0.01/25
[38.g5± 1.59/20]
38...Bf8? 17.74/23
[38...Kh7= 0.01/25]
39.Nf6++- Kg7 40.Nd7 Be7



41.Qxe7 Intending Qf8+ and mate.
41...Qc8 Inhibits Qf8+. **42.Qf6+ Kg8**
43.Qe7? -0.01/14
[43.Qxd6+- 18.04/26 Kh7 44.Qd5]
43...Qc2+? #10/20
[43...Kg7= -0.01/14 44.b5 Qa8 45.b6 Qg8 46.g5 d5 47.Qxe5+ f6 48.gxf6+ Kh8 49.f7+ Kh7 50.Nf6+ Kh6 51.fxg8Q dxe4 52.Qh8#]
44.Kg3 Qc8 45.Qf8+? 0.85/5 **Qxf8±**



46.Nxf8 Kxf8 47.b5 Ke7 48.f4? 0.29/24
[Inferior is 48.b6 Kd7 49.Kh4 f6=]
[White should play 48.Kf2+- 9.62/25]
48...Kd7? 7.96/24
[48...g5= 0.29/24 49.fxg5 Kd7]
49.g5?? -17.15/38
[49.fxe5+- 7.96/24 g5 50.exd6 Kxd6 51.Kf2]
49...Kc7-+ 50.f5 Kb6

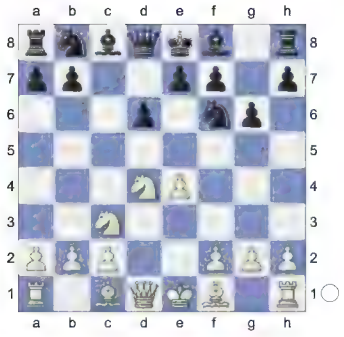


A wild game.
Weighted Error Value: White=1.34/ Black=0.56
0-1

110 **B70**
□ **Andriasian,Zaven** **2547**
■ **Jinay Ankitbhai Shah** **1487**
3. Annual Kuwait Rapid (1.1) 02.05.2025
[Kitty Kat]

B70: Sicilian Dragon: 6 g3 and 6 Be2 (without a later Be3)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



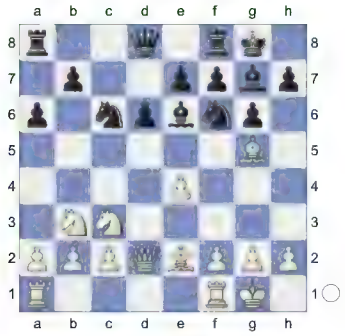
6.Be2 Bg7 7.0-0 Nc6 8.Nb3 0-0 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Qd2

[10.f4 b5 11.Bf3 Bc4 12.Re1 e5 13.f5 Qb6+ 14.Be3 Qc7 15.a3 gxf5 16.Nd2 f4 17.Nxc4 bxc4 18.Bf2 Rab8 19.Rb1 Ne7 20.Qd2 Ng6 21.b4 cxb3 22.cxb3 Bh6 23.Rec1 Qd7 24.Nd5 Nxd5 King,D (2495)-Mestel,A (2520) Great Britain 1989 CI1-130 [King,Daniel J] ½-½ (42)]

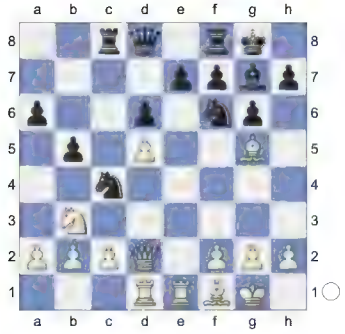
10...a6N

[10...Rc8 11.Rad1 *(11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Ne5 13.Qe3 a6* N,N-11.Kh1*)* 11...Ne5 12.Rfe1 Bc4 13.h3 Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Nc4 15.Rd4 Ne5 16.f4 Nc6 17.Rdd1 Nd7 18.Nd5 Bxb2 19.c3 Ba3 20.Qb5 f6 21.Bh6 Rf7 22.Qxb7 e6 23.Qa6 Bb2 24.Qe2 exd5 25.Qxb2 Duhm,H (2627)-Botvinnik,M (2104) Barcelona 2004 Larsen MBM [INF 61/(92)] ½-½ (50)]

[10...Na5 11.Nd4 Bc4 12.Rad1 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Rc8 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Qb6 16.c3 Rfe8 17.Rfe1 Nc4 18.b3 Ne5 19.Qd2 Qa5 20.c4 Qxd2 21.Rxd2 h6 22.Bh4 Kf8 23.h3 a6 24.a4 Nd7 25.Re3 Vasquez Schroder,R (2457)-Golubev, M (2461) Chess,com INT 2024 1-0 (37)]

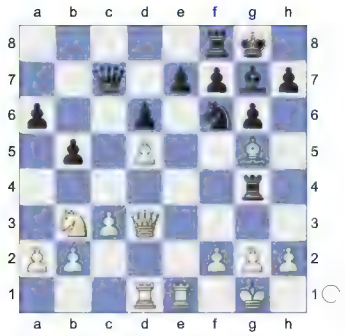


11.Rfe1 Rc8 12.Bf1 b5 The position is equal. **13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 Ne5 15.Rad1 Nc4**

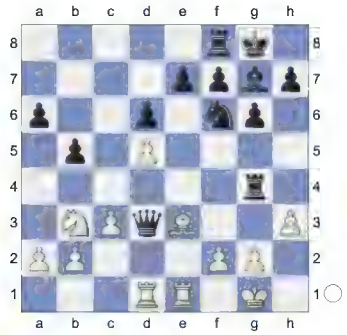


16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Qd3 Against Ne4 **17...Qc7 18.c3 Rg4** 0.77/19

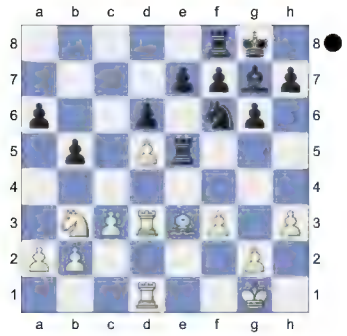
[18...Rc8= -0.17/17]



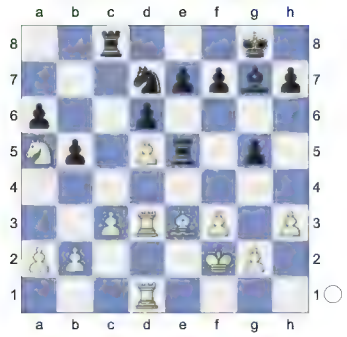
19.Be3 -0.25/19
[19.f4!± 0.77/19]
19...Qc4 20.h3 Qxd3



21.Rxd3 Re4 22.f3 Re5 23.Red1



Rc8 0.34/21
[23...Nxd5!= -0.16/20 24.Bd4 e6]
24.Kf2!± g5 25.Na5 Nd7 1.18/20
[Better is 25...h6± 0.45/22]

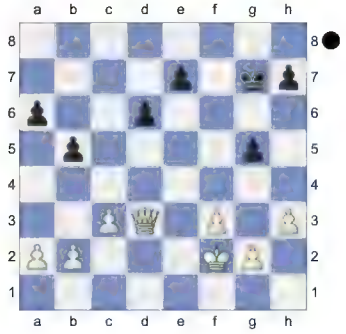


26.Nc6± aiming for Bxg5! &Bianco is more active. **26...Rxc6??** 13.94/22 Loses the game. **27.dxc6+-** White is clearly winning. **27...Nc5 28.c7 Nxd3+ 29.Rxd3** KRB-KRB **29...f5 30.c8Q+ Kf7**

(Diagram)

31.Bd4 Rd5

32.Bxg7! Rxd3 33.Qxf5+ Kxg7 34.Qxd3



Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.26 (precise)
1-0

111	**B76**
□ **Amar,Elham**	**2546**
■ **Avdic,Faris**	**2232**

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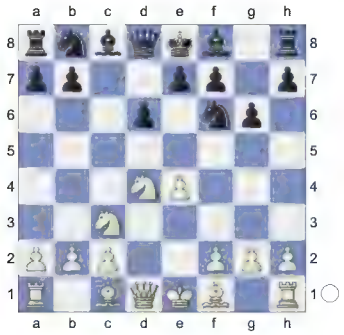
[Kitty Kat]

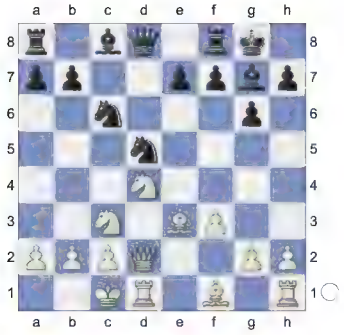
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9

g4 and 9 0-0-0

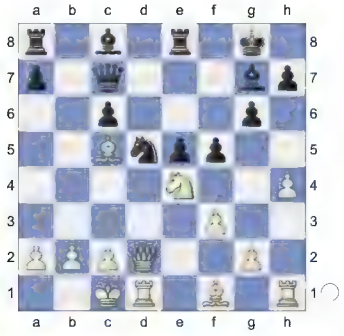
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5



11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Re8 14.Ne4 Qc7 15.h4 f5



16.Nd6 White has an edge. **16...Rd8 17.Nxc8 Raxc8 18.Bc4**

[18.h5 is more complex. Nb6 19.Bxb6 Rxd2 20.Bc4+]

18...h5 19.Kb1 -0.01/21 &Bianco is more active.

[White should try 19.g4± 0.61/19]

[19.Qf2 Kh7 20.g4 Qf7 21.gxf5 Bh6+ 22.Kb1 Nc3+ 23.bxc3 Qxc4 24.fxg6+ Kg8 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.Bb4 Rb8 27.Qxa7 Rxb4+ 28.cxb4 Qxb4+ 29.Ka1 Qc3+ 30.Kb1 Qb4+ ½-½ (30) Ter Sahakyan,S (2624)-Sebenik,M (2492) Reykjavik 2021 [Chris Ward]]

19...Kh7 20.Qf2 Nb6N 0.49/22

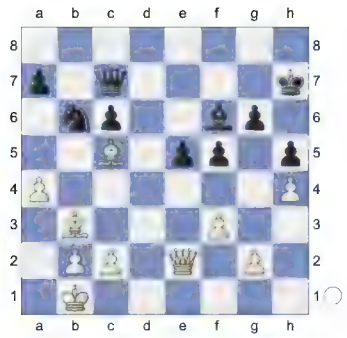
[20...Rb8= 0.01/21 21.Bb3 a5 22.a4 Nb4 23.g4 Nd3 24.Rxd3 Rxd3 25.cxd3 Rxb3 26.gxh5 gxh5 27.Qc2 Qf7 28.Rg1 e4 29.Ba3 exd3 30.Qxc6 Bd4 31.Rg2 Rxa3 32.bxa3 Qb3+ 33.Kc1 Be3+ 34.Rd2 Qxa3+ 35.Kb1 Bxd2 36.Qd7+ Kg8 Diaz Rosas,J (2337)-Elias Reyes,J (2466) Cancun MEX 2023 [Chris Ward] ½-½ (53)]

21.Bb3± A strong pair of Bishops.

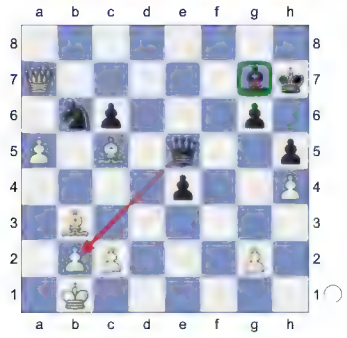
21...Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Rd8 23.Rxd8 Qxd8

24.a4 Bf6 25.Qe2 Qc7 2.08/23

[25...Bxh4± 1.26/22 was called for. 26.Qa6 *(26.Qxe5 Nd7±)* 26...Qd7]



26.Qa6+- e4? 4.09/22
[26...Be7 2.48/23 might work better.]
27.fxe4 fxe4 28.a5 Qe5 29.Qxa7+
White is clearly winning. **29...Bg7**



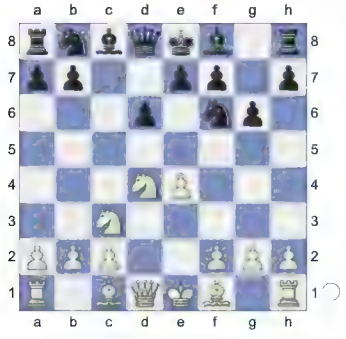
30.Bg8+! Kxg8

31.Qxb6 Hoping for a6. **31...Bf8**
32.Bxf8 Kxf8 33.a6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.42
1-0

112 **B73**
□ **Goryachkina,Aleksandra** **2544**
■ **Martinez Duany,Lelys Stanley** **2468**
Titled Apr Early (7) 08.04.2025
[Kitty Kat]

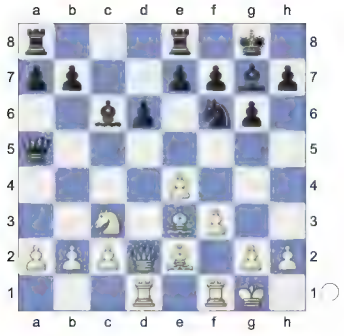
B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
Sax,Gy: 'Inf 39/260' **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



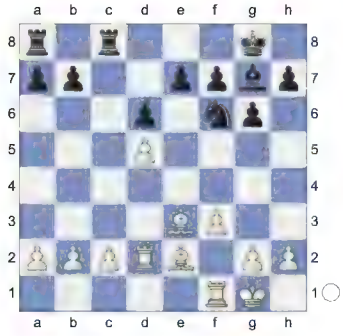
6.Be2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Be3 Nc6 9.Qd2 Bd7 10.Rad1 Re8N
[10...Rc8 11.f4 *(11.Rfe1 a6 12.a4 Ne5 13.h3 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bh4 e6 18.Nde2 Bc6 19.Nd4 Qc7 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.Qxh6 Qa5 22.Nxe6 Qxc3 23.Nxf8 Rxf8 24.Re2 Qe5 25.Qe3 Re8* Novy,M (2654)-6.♘a3 cd4 7.cd4 ♗d7 (2710) Alushta 2023 CBM 068 ext [John Watson] 0-1 (40)*; 11.h3 a6 12.a3 Qc7 13.Rfe1 Rfe8 14.Bf1 b5 15.Nf3 Na5 16.Bh6 Bh8 17.Re3 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Bf4 Qb7 20.e5 dxe5 21.Bxe5 Bc6 22.Nh4 Qxb2 23.Nf5 Qb6 24.Bd4 Qc7 25.Rde1 Qf4* Lobron,E-Sax,G Zagreb 1985 CI1-130 [Sax,Gyula] 0-1 (35)*)*

11...Ng4 *(11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Ne8 13.Bxg7 Nxg7 14.Qd4 a6 15.Rd2 Bc6 16.Bf3 Qa5 17.a3 f5 18.Nd5 Rf7 19.e5 Bxd5 20.Bxd5 e6 21.Bb3 d5 22.Rff2 b5 23.h4 Qd8 24.g3* B5 Bd6-Edwards,C Agde 2011 CBM 45 group4 [Nickel]*)* 12.Nxc6 *(12.Bxg4 Bxg4 13.Rde1 e5 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.f5 d5 16.h3 Bh5 17.g4 d4 18.gxh5 dxe3 19.Qxe3 Qh4 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Rf3 gxf5 22.exf5 Rcd8 23.Ne4 Rd4 24.c3 Bh6 25.Qe2 Rd7 26.Rg3+ Kh8* Alexakis,D (2503)-Rogov,M (2314) Chess.com INT 2025 1-0 (42) *)* 12...bxc6 13.Bd4 e5 14.Bxa7 Qa5 15.Bf2 Nxf2 16.Rxf2 exf4 17.Qxd6 Be6 18.Qxf4 Rb8 19.Qc1 Qb4 4.d4 ♘g6_43410 (2350)-Salas Chavez,N (2520) New York 1997 Telechess CBM 89 [Fraser #60]]

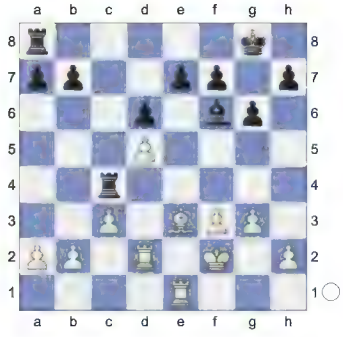
11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.f3 Qa5



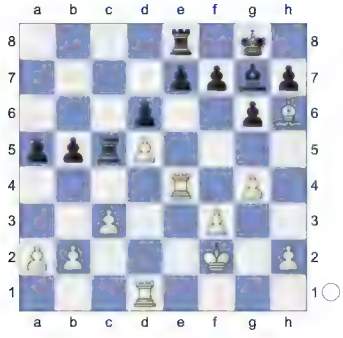
13.Nd5 0.01/21
[13.Nb5!± 0.39/20 is superior. Qd8 *(13...Qxd2 14.Rxd2)* 14.Nd4 *(14.Nxa7 Qb8=)*]
13...Qxd2= 14.Rxd2 Bxd5 15.exd5 Rec8



16.c3 Nd7 17.Re1 Nb6 18.Kf2 Bf6 19.g3 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4

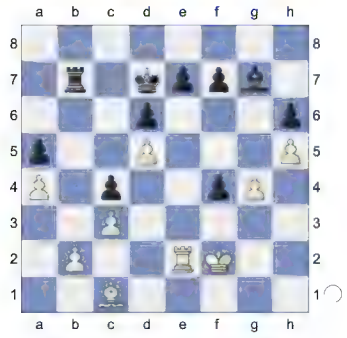


21.Bh6 b5 22.Rde2 Rc5 23.Rd1 a5 24.g4 -0.70/20
[24.Re4= 0.00/20]
24...Re8 0.01/21
[24...b4∓ -0.70/20]
25.Re4 Bg7



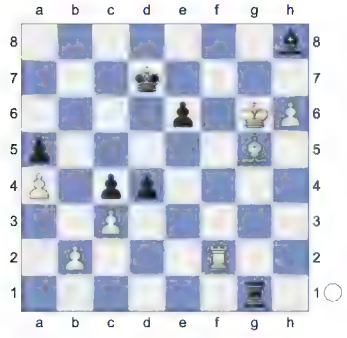
26.Be3 Rc4 27.Rxc4 bxc4 Endgame KRB-KRB **28.a4 Rb8 29.Rd2 Kf8 30.Re2 Ke8**
(Diagram)

31.Bg5 Rb7 32.h4 h6 33.Bc1 Kd7 34.h5 g5 0.69/24
[34...gxh5= 0.16/22 35.gxh5 e6]
35.f4 gxf4

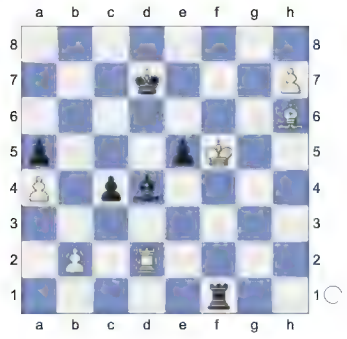


36.Bxf4 e6 37.dxe6+ fxe6 38.Kg3 d5 0.50/21
[38...e5= -0.01/23 39.Bc1 Ke6]
39.g5
[39.Kh4!?]
39...hxg5 40.Bxg5 Rb8

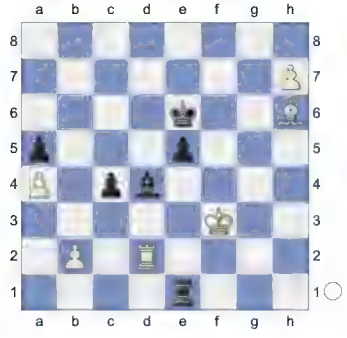
41.h6 Bh8 42.Kg4 Rf8 Prevents Rf2.
43.Kh5 0.15/19
[43.h7± 0.52/21]
43...Rf1 1.25/19
[43...e5!= 0.15/19]
44.Kg6 0.30/20
[44.Rd2!± 1.25/19]
44...Rg1? 3.69/22
[44...e5= 0.30/20]
45.Rf2+- d4



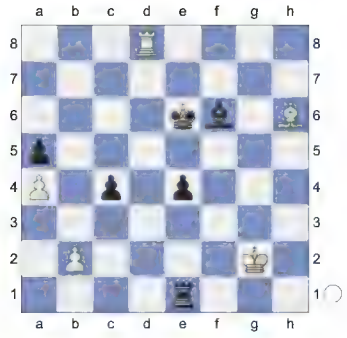
46.cxd4 Black must now prevent Rf8.
46...Bxd4? 13.35/22
[46...Kc6 3.75/25 47.Rf4 Rg3]
47.Rd2 aiming for h7. **47...e5 48.h7 Rh1 49.Bh6 Rg1+ 50.Kf5 Rf1+**



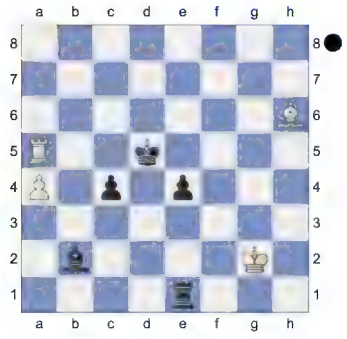
51.Ke4 Re1+ 52.Kf3 Ke6



53.h8Q?? -3.01/19
[53.Rxd4!+- 13.73/22 and all is fine. exd4 54.h8Q]
53...e4+-+ Discovered Attack **54.Kg2 Bxh8** KRB-KRB **55.Rd8 Bf6**
(Diagram)

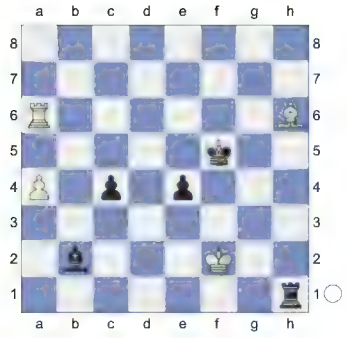


56.Rc8 Kd5 Inhibits Rc6.
[Wrong is 56...Bxb2? 57.Rxc4 Kd5 58.Rc8-+]
57.Ra8 Bxb2 -1.65/23
[⌓57...Re2+ -4.02/21 58.Kf1 Rxb2]
58.Rxa5+

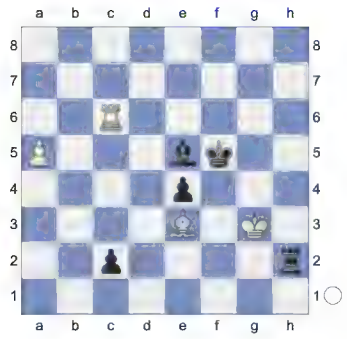


Ke6 -1.27/23
[Black should play 58...Kd4!-+ -1.91/22 Threatens to win with ...e3. 59.Kf2 *(59.Bg7+? Ke3-+)* 59...Rh1 60.Bg7+ Kd3 61.Rd5+ Kc2 62.Bxb2 Kxb2 63.Rb5+ Kc1]
59.Ra6+∓ Kf5 -1.03/21
[59...Kd7∓ -0.46/21 60.Bf4 Ra1]
60.Kf2 -1.44/23
[⌓60.Ra5+ -1.03/21 Ke6 61.Kf2]
60...Rh1

(Diagram)



And now ...Be5 would win. **61.Be3** -3.08/21
[⌓61.Ra5+ -1.62/23 Ke6 62.Ra6+ Kd5 63.Ra5+ Kd4 64.Be3+ *(64.Bg7+? Kd3-+)* 64...Kc3 65.Rd5]
61...c3 -1.38/22
[61...Rh2+-+ -3.08/21 and Black stays clearly on top. 62.Ke1 Kg4]
62.Rc6? -7.16/20
[62.Rb6∓ -1.38/22]
62...c2-+ 63.a5 Rh2+ -6.66/24
[⌓63...c1R -15.53/23 64.Bxc1 Rxc1]
64.Kg3 Be5+



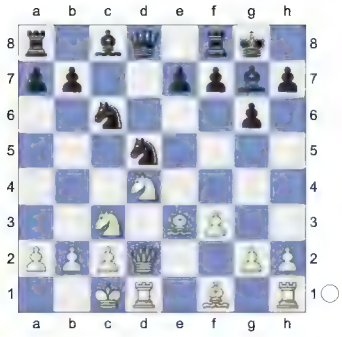
Never resign too early!
Weighted Error Value: White=0.71/ Black=0.47
0-1

113 **B76**
□ **Stefansson,Vignir Vatnar** **2536**
■ **Manukyan,Saa** **2277**
Titled 9. Apr Late (11) 29.04.2025
[Kitty Kat]

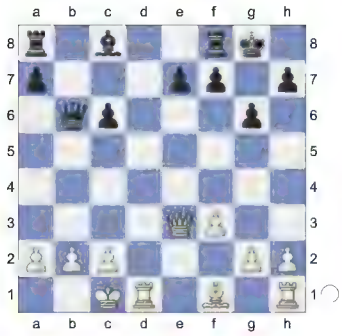
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5



11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bd4 Nxc3 13.Qxc3 Bh6+ 14.Be3 Bxe3+ 15.Qxe3 Qb6



16.Qe5

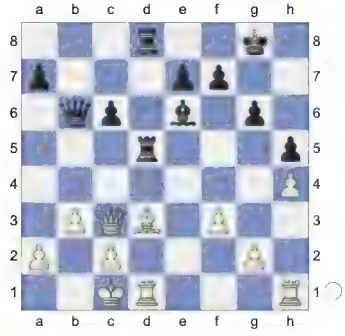
[16.Qxe7 Be6 17.Qa3 Rad8 18.Bd3 Rd5 19.b3 Rfd8 20.Rhe1 a5 21.Qb2 Qc5 22.Kb1 Rd4 23.Qc1 a4 24.Be4 f5 25.Rxd4 Rxd4 26.Bd3 axb3 27.cxb3 Qxc1+ 28.Kxc1 Bxb3 29.Bb1 Bf7 30.Re7 Ra4 Caruana,F (2828)-Moranda,W (2593) chess.com INT 2019 [Chris Ward] 0-1 (40)]

16...Be6 17.b3N -0.26/20

[⌓17.h4! 0.28/20 Rfd8 18.Be2 Rxd1+ 19.Rxd1 Rd8 20.Rxd8+ Qxd8 21.a3 Qb6 22.Kd2 h5 23.Qe3 Qa5+ 24.Kd1 Qd5+ 25.Ke1 a5 26.Kf2 Qf5 27.Qc3 Bd5 28.Qxa5 Qxc2 29.Qc3 Qa4 30.b4 e5 31.Qe3 Kh7 32.Kg3 Pranav,A (2510)-Dolzhikova,K (2321) Dortmund 2023 ½-½ (57) *(32.g4 hxg4 33.fxg4 Bb3 34.Kg3 Bd1 35.Bxd1 Qxd1 36.g5 Qc2 37.Qf3 Kg8 38.Qe3 Kh7 39.Qf2 Qc3+ 40.Qf3 Qe1+ 41.Qf2 Qc3+ 42.Kg2 Kg8 43.Qf3 Qd2+ 44.Kh3 Qc2 45.Kg3 Qd2 46.Kh3 Qc2* Roos,L (2510)-Vijayakumar,R (2321) Cappelle la Grande FRA 2023 Inf55 [John Watson] ½-½ (57) *)*]

17...Rad8 18.Bd3 The position is equal.

18...Rd5 19.Qc3 Rfd8 20.h4 h5



21.Rhe1 a5 -0.01/21

[21...Qf2∓ -0.32/20]

22.Re4 -0.33/22

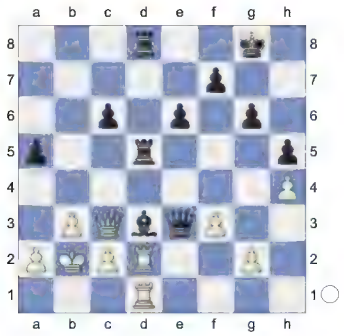
[22.Rxe6!= -0.01/21 fxe6 23.Qe1]

22...Bf5 23.Re2 -1.17/22

[23.Rxe7= -0.13/21 Bxd3 24.Rxd3]

23...e6∓ **24.Red2** **Qe3!** Strongly threatening ...Rc5. **25.Kb2** **Bxd3** 0.28/25

[Black should try 25...a4!∓ -1.10/21 26.a3 *(26.Bxf5? a3+ 27.Kc1 Qxc3-+)* 26...Qf4]



26.Rxd3= **Qf2** 0.52/23

[26...Qb6= 0.20/22 is more appropriate.]

27.Rxd5± **cxd5**

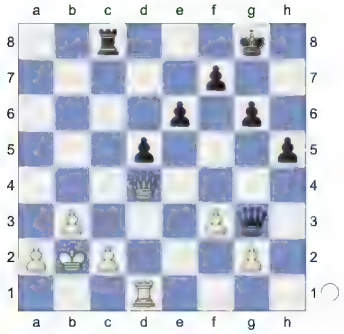
[27...Rxd5 28.Rxd5 cxd5 29.Qxa5]

28.Qxa5 Endgame KQR-KQR **28...Rc8**

29.Qd2 **Qxh4** **30.Qd4** 0.29/21

[White should play 30.a4± 0.72/21]

30...Qg3=



31.Rd2 **h4** 0.81/21

[31...Qb8!= 0.24/20 keeps the balance.]

32.a4 **Qc7** **33.Re2** **g5** 1.86/22

[33...Qb8± 0.62/20]

34.Kb1 1.01/20

[34.Qf6+- 1.86/22]

34...Qg3 1.36/21

[⌓34...Kh7 1.01/20]

35.a5 **h3**

36.gxh3 **Qxf3** **37.Qe3** 0.71/21

[⌓37.Qd3! 1.28/21 Qxd3 38.cxd3]

37...Qf6 1.13/19

[⌓37...Qf4 0.71/21]

38.a6 0.16/24

[38.Rf2± 1.13/19 Qc3 39.Qxc3 *(39.Qxg5+ Kf8±)* 39...Rxc3 40.Kb2]

38...Ra8 0.49/23

[38...Rc6= 0.16/24]

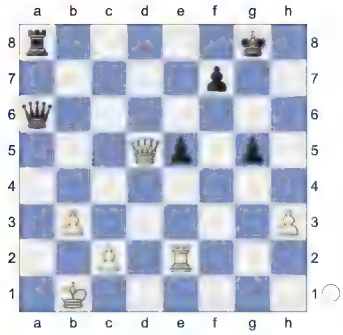
39.Qd3 0.01/22

[39.Rf2± 0.49/23 was preferrable. Qd8 40.Rg2 *(40.a7 d4∓)*]

39...e5 White must now prevent ...e4.

40.Qxd5 **Qxa6** 0.44/24

[40...Qf1+= 0.01/27 41.Kb2 Rxa6 42.Qd8+ Kg7 43.Qxg5+ Kf8 44.Qd8+ Kg7 45.Qg5+ Kf8 46.Qd8+ Kg7 47.Qg5+]



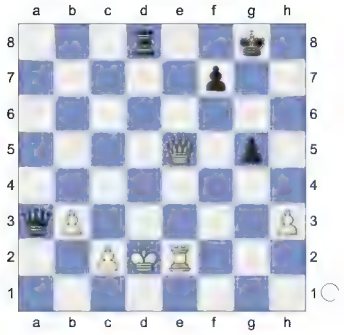
41.Qxe5± **Qa2+** 1.19/5

[41...f6± 0.34/22 42.Qe6+ Qxe6 43.Rxe6 Kf7]

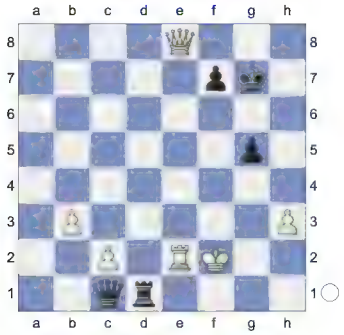
42.Kc1± **Qa3+** **43.Qb2** **Qc5** 1.06/20

[43...Qd6± 0.54/20]

44.Qe5 0.01/19
[44.Qf6!± 1.06/20]
44...Qa3+!= 45.Kd2 0.47/22
[Better is 45.Kd1± 0.95/22 Qa1+ 46.Qxa1 Rxa1+ 47.Kd2]
45...Rd8+±



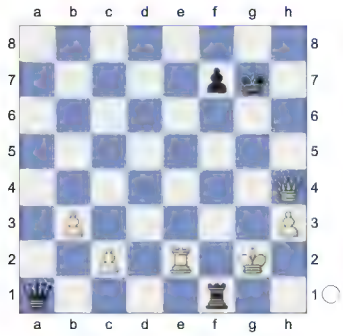
46.Ke1 Qc1+ 47.Kf2 Rd1! 48.Qe8+ Kg7 49.Qe5+ Kg8 50.Qe8+ 0.01/5
[50.Qe3!± 0.47/22]
50...Kg7⇄



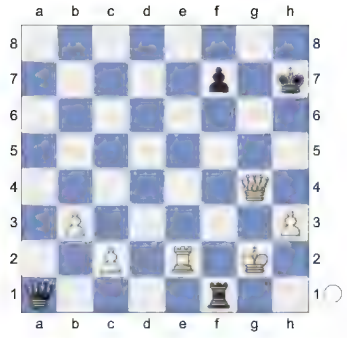
Black is fighting back **51.Qe3 Rf1+ 52.Kg2 Qa1?** 2.05/20
[52...Rh1= 0.22/21 and Black stays safe. 53.Qxc1 Rxc1]
53.Qxg5++- Kh7 (-> ...Rg1+) **54.Qh5+ Kg7 55.Qg4+** 1.30/25
[55.Qe5++- 2.52/22 Qxe5 56.Rxe5]
55...Kh7 2.16/24
[55...Kf8± 1.30/25 was called for. 56.Qe4 Qd1]

(Diagram)

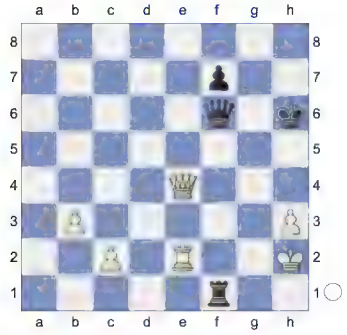
56.Qh4+ 1.27/26
[56.Qe4++- 2.16/24 Kg7 57.Qe5+ Kg6 58.Qxa1 Rxa1 59.c4]
56...Kg7 1.95/24
[56...Kg6± 1.27/26 was necessary.]
57.Qg3+
[57.Re8 Rg1+ 58.Kh2 Rh1+ 59.Kg3 Qg1+ 60.Kf4 Qf1+ 61.Ke4 *(61.Kg4 f5+ 62.Kg5 Rg1+)* 61...Qe1+ 62.Qxe1 Rxe1+ 63.Kf3 Rxe8-+]
57...Kh7 2.25/23
[57...Kf8± 1.39/23 58.Qe3 Kg7]
58.Qd3+! Kg7 59.Qg3+? 0.01/21
[59.Re3+- 2.29/22 Rg1+ 60.Kf2]
59...Kh7= 60.Qh4+ 0.01/20
[60.Qe5± 1.50/23]
60...Kg7!



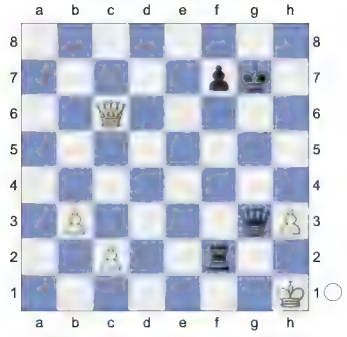
61.Qg4+? 0.01/23
[61.Re8 Rg1+ 62.Kh2 Rh1+ 63.Kg3 Qg1+ 64.Kf4 Qf1+ 65.Ke4 *(65.Kg4* leads to mate. *f5+ 66.Kg5 Rg1+)* 65...Qe1+ 66.Qxe1 Rxe1+ 67.Kf3 Rxe8-+]
[White must play 61.Qe4!+- 1.72/23]
61...Kh7



...Rg1+ is the strong threat. **62.Qe4+! Kh6 63.Kh2** Prevents Rh1+. **63...Qf6 64.Qe3+ Kh7 65.Qe4+?** 0.01/20
[65.Rg2+- 2.08/22]
65...Kh6



66.Rg2? -7.17/23
[66.c4± 0.96/21]
66...Qd6+-+ 67.Rg3 Rf2+ Deflection **68.Kh1 Qxg3 69.Qc6+ Kg7**



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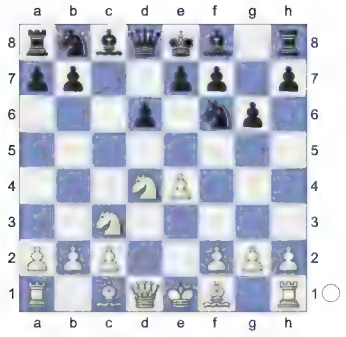
114 **B75**
□ **Chessmaster123341** **2524**
■ **Suhov549** **2555**
Rapid 28.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min
B75: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, Miscellaneous
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

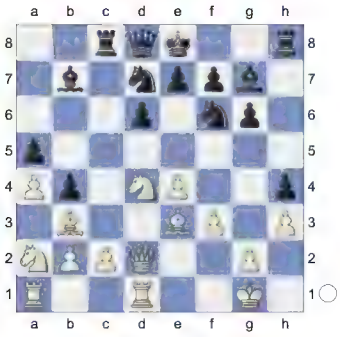


6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 a6 8.Qd2 h5 9.h3
[9.Bc4 b5 10.Bb3 Nbd7 11.a4 bxa4 12.Bxa4 Bb7 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Nde2 0-0 15.Bh6 Nc5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Kh1 Qb6 18.b3 Rfd8 19.Rfd1 Qc7 20.Qd4 e5 21.Qe3 d5 22.exd5 Nxd5 23.Nxd5 Rxd5 Ehlvest,J (2660)-Svidler,P (2630) Erevan 1996 CBM 53 [Dautov] 0-1 (48)]
[9.0-0-0 b5 10.Kb1 Nbd7 11.Qf2 Bb7 12.Nb3 Rc8 13.Bd4 e5 14.Be3 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qc7 16.Bd3 0-0 17.Rhf1 d5 18.Bc1 dxe4 19.fxe4 Rc8 20.Ba3 Qxc3 21.Qd2 Qc7 22.Rfe1 Nb6 23.Qa5 Nfd7 Kulig,P (2033)-Horak,M (2357) Prague 2025 0-1]
9...h4N
[9...Nbd7 10.Be2 *(10.0-0-0 Qc7 11.f4 b5 12.f5 Ne5 13.fxg6 Nxg6 14.Kb1 Bd7 15.Bd3 Ne5 16.Bg5 b4 17.Nce2 Qb7 18.Ng3 e6 19.Rhf1 h4 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.Rxf6 hxg3 22.Nf3*

Bc6 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Rdf1 0-0-0 Sargsyan,A (2371)-Lach,A (2170) Petrovac 2023 1-0 (34)*)* 10...b6 *(10...Qc7 11.a4 b6 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nf6 14.c4 0-0 15.0-0 Re8 16.Rfd1 e6 17.dxe6 Bxe6 18.Bf2* 21) 2...d6 - Dragodorf-Dragodorf*)* 11.0-0-0 Bb7 12.g4 b5 13.a3 21) 2...d6 - Dragodorf-Dragodorf]

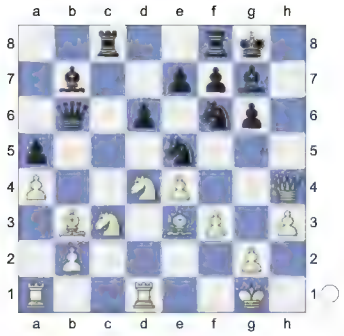
10.Bc4 b5

White is slightly better. **11.Bb3 Bb7 12.0-0** &Bianco is more active. **12...Nbd7 13.Rfd1 Rc8 14.a4 b4 15.Na2 a5**

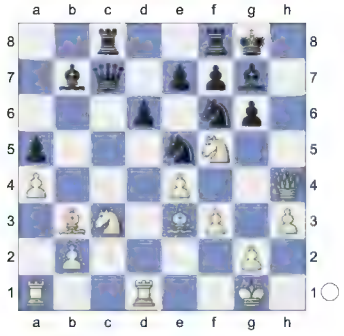


16.c3 bxc3 17.Nxc3 0-0 1.04/18
[17...Nc5± 0.64/16 should be considered.]
18.Qe1± Ne5 19.Qxh4 Qb6? 3.48/20
[19...Nc4± 1.03/17 might work better. 20.Bxc4 Rxc4]

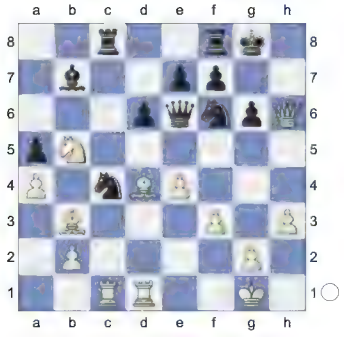
(Diagram)



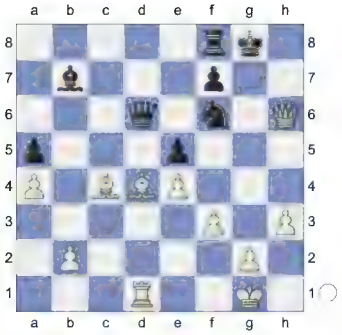
This move loses the game for Black.
20.Nf5!+- Qc7
[20...Qd8 21.Nxg7]



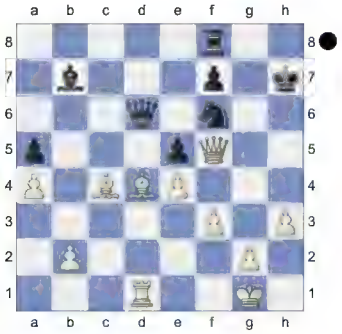
21.Nxg7 Kxg7 22.Qh6+ Kg8 23.Nb5 Qd7 5.84/21
[⌓23...Qb8 3.69/21 24.Ba7 Qa8]
24.Bd4 White is clearly winning.
24...Nc4 25.Rac1 Qe6



26.Nxd6! Qxd6
[26...Ba6 27.Nxc8]
27.Rxc4 Rxc4 28.Bxc4
White threatens Qxg6+ and mate. This bishop pair is nice. **28...e5 29.Qxg6+ Kh8 30.Qh6+ Kg8**
(Diagram)



31.Qg5+ Kh7 32.Qf5+



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115 **B78**
□ **Odonata** **2518**
■ **Arasanx** **2906**
Rapid 05.12.2023
[Kitty Kat]

B78: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 0-0-0 Rc8
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

(Diagram)

6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rc8
[10...Rb8 11.Bb3 Na5 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b5 14.g4 Nxb3+ 15.Nxb3 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Rb6 18.Rhe1 e5 19.dxe6 fxe6 20.Re3 Rf7 21.Nd2 d5 22.Nb3 Qc7 23.Kb1 Rb8 24.Rde1 Rc8 25.R1e2 Dominguez Perez,L (2717)-Carlsen,M (2776) Linares 2009 CBM 129 [Rogozenco,Dorian] 0-1 (54)]

11.Bb3 Nxd4N
[11...Ne5 12.h4 a5 13.a4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.Ndb5 h5 *(16...Bxb5 17.Nxb5 h5 18.Kb1 Nd7 19.g4* B 78/07) 17.Bd4 e5 18.Be3 d5 19.Nxd5 Bxb5 20.axb5 Nxd5 21.Qxd5 Qc7 22.Qd6 B 78/07]
[11...a6 12.h4 h5 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Bh6 b5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5 Rh8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Qg2 gxf3 20.Qxf3 Bd7 21.Rxh8 Qxh8 22.Rh1 Qd8 23.Qf4 e6

24.Qxd6 Rc6 25.Qf4 Nh5 26.Qd2 Parnes,S (1378)-Doolin,B Cardiff 2022 1-0]

12.Bxd4 b5 13.Nd5 Nxd5! 14.Bxg7! Kxg7 15.exd5 a5

...a4 is the strong threat. The position is equal. **16.Qd4+** -0.21/22

[⌓16.a3! 0.10/21]

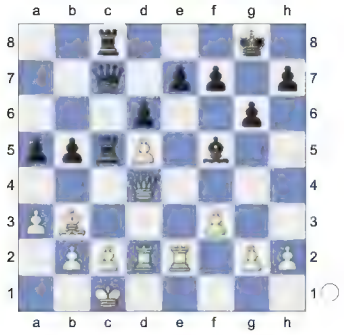
16...Kg8= 17.a3! Rc5 0.10/22

[17...b4 -0.30/21 deserves consideration.]

18.Rhe1! Qc7 aiming for ...a4. **19.Re2**

[19.Rxe7 a4 20.Ba2 Rxc2+ 21.Kb1 Rxg2∓]

19...Rc8 20.Rdd2! Bf5



21.Qf2 -0.57/22

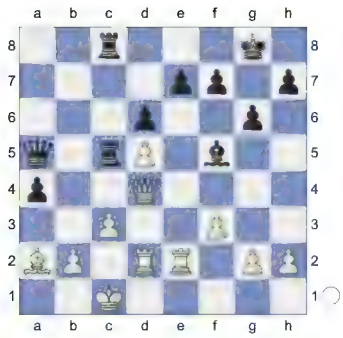
[21.g4= 0.16/23 a4 22.Bxa4]

21...a4∓ 22.Ba2 Qb6!↑ Black has some pressure. **23.c3 b4! 24.axb4 Qxb4 25.Qd4**

[25.Rxe7? a3 26.Kd1 Qa5-+]

25...Qa5

(Diagram)

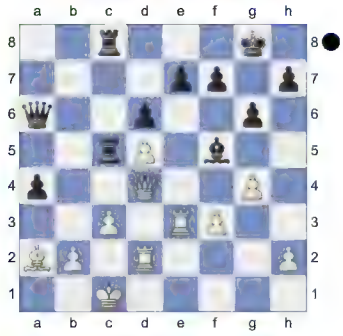


26.Re3

[Wrong is 26.Rxe7? a3 27.b4 *(27.c4? Rxc4+ 28.Bxc4 a2-+)* 27...Rxc3+ 28.Kd1 Qd8-+]

26...Qa6 27.g4 -1.15/22

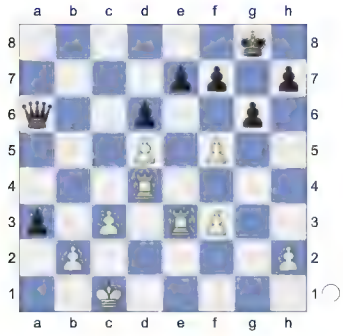
[Better is 27.Rf2∓ -0.53/23]



27...Rc4!∓ 28.Bxc4

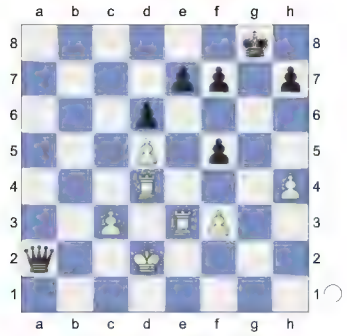
[28.Qxc4 Rxc4]

28...Rxc4 29.gxf5 -1.64/24 **Rxd4-+ 30.Rxd4∓** Endgame KQ-KRR **30...a3**

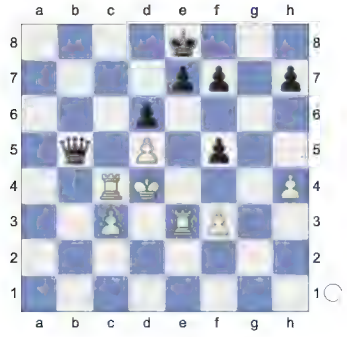


31.bxa3 Qxa3+ 32.Kd2 Qb2+ 33.Kd3 gxf5 34.h4 Qb1+ 35.Kd2 Qa2+ -1.36/21

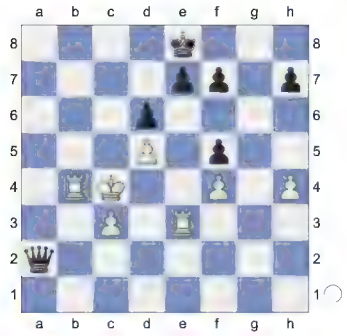
[35...Kf8-+ -1.82/24 36.Re1 Qb2+ 37.Kd3 Qf2]



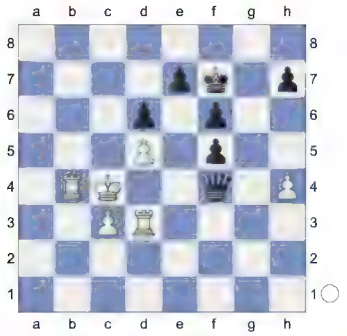
36.Kd3 -1.86/21
[36.Ke1∓ -1.36/21 keeps fighting.]
36...Kf8
[Stronger than 36...Qb1+ 37.Ke2]
37.Rc4 -3.04/24
[⌓37.Re1 -1.73/21]
37...Qa6-+ 38.Kd4 Qb6+ 39.Kd3 Qb5 40.Kd4 Ke8



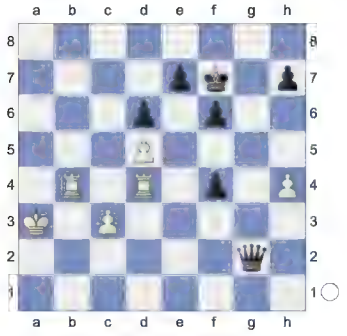
41.f4 Qb1 42.Rb4 Qd1+ 43.Kc4? -3.00/26 White does not recover from this.
[43.Rd3∓ -1.40/24 might work better. Qc1 44.Kc4]
43...Qf1+ 44.Kb3 Qb1+ 45.Kc4 Qa2+



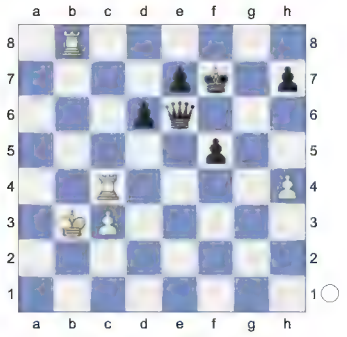
46.Rb3 f6 47.Rd3 Qe2 48.Rb5 Qf1 49.Rb8+ Kf7 50.Rb4 Qxf4+



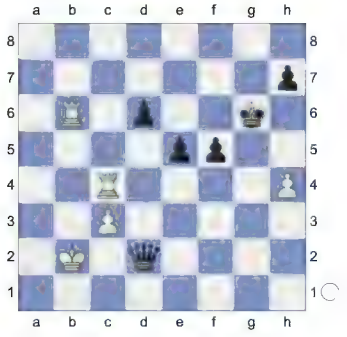
51.Kb3 Qf1 52.Rdd4 Qb1+ 53.Ka3 Qh1 54.Kb2 Qg2+ 55.Ka3 f4



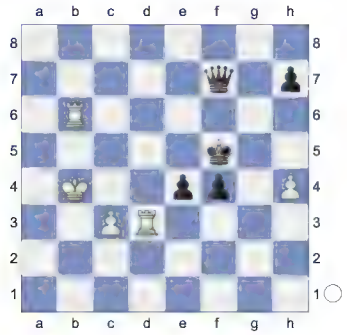
56.Rxf4 Qxd5 57.Rfd4 Qc6 58.Rdc4 Qd7 59.Kb3 f5 60.Rb8 Qe6



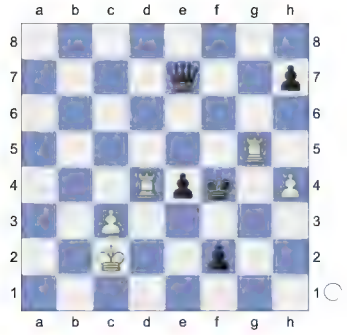
61.Rbb4 Kg6 62.Kc2 Qe2+ 63.Kb3 Qd1+ 64.Kb2 e5 65.Rb6 Qd2+



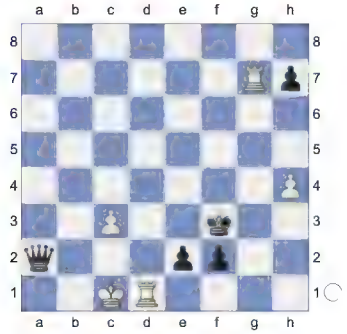
66.Kb3 Qd5 67.Kb4 f4 And now ...f3 would win. **68.Rcc6 Qf7 69.Rxd6+ Kf5** Strongly threatening ...f3. **70.Rd3 e4**



71.Rb5+ Kg4 72.Rd4 Qe7+ 73.Kb3 f3 74.Rg5+ Kf4 75.Kc2 f2

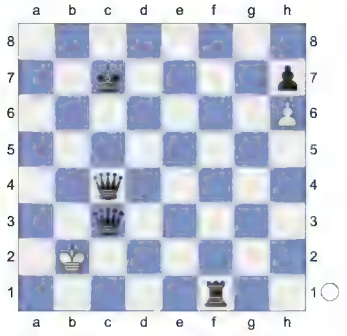


76.Rd1 Qe6 Threatens to win with ... Qa2+. **77.Rg7 Qa2+ 78.Kc1 e3** (-> ...e2) **79.Rd4+ Kf3 80.Rd1 e2**



81.Rd3+ Ke4 -15.64/5
[⌓81...Kf4 -#10/22 82.Rd4+ Kf5 83.Rg5+ Ke6 84.Re4+ Kd6 85.Rd4+ Kc6 86.Rg6+ hxg6 87.Rc4+ Qxc4 88.Kc2 e1Q 89.Kb2 Qexc3+ 90.Kb1 f1Q#]
82.Rd4+ Ke5 83.Rg5+ Ke6 84.Re4+ Kd7 85.Rg7+ Kc6

86.Rc7+ Kxc7 87.Rc4+ Qxc4 Black mates. **88.Kb2 e1Q 89.h5 f1R 90.h6 Qexc3#**



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116 **B76**
□ **Monarch2023** **2501**
■ **Makart232** **2919**
Rapid 27.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 5min+5sec
B76: Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack, 9 g4 and 9 0-0-0
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

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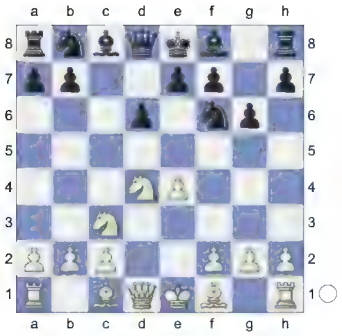
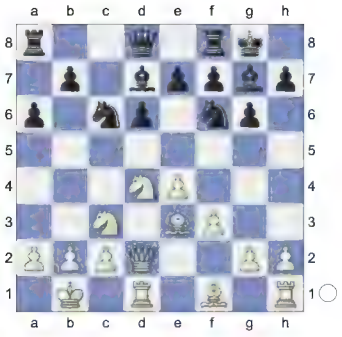
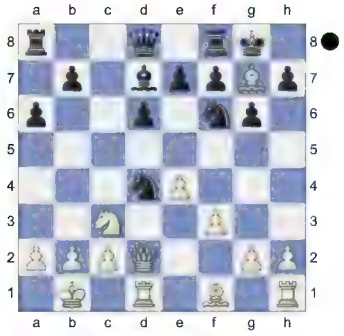


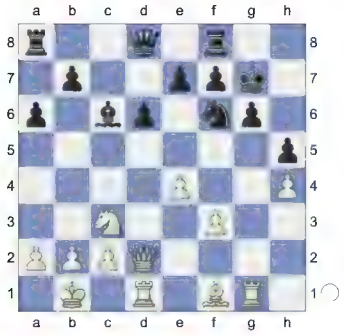
6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 a6 10.Kb1 Bd7



11.Bh6N -0.54/20
[11.g4± 0.65/17 Rc8 *(11...b5 12.h4 b4 13.Nd5 Nxd4 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Bxd4 Be6 16.Bxf6 Qa5 17.b3 exf6 18.Qd4 Rac8 19.Bd3 Qe5 20.Qxb4 a5 21.Qa3 a4 22.Qb2 axb3 23.cxb3 Rc3 24.Be2 Rb8 25.Rd3 Rxd3 26.Bxd3* N,N (1604)-Zlatnov,P Khanty Mansiysk 2023 Inf 73 [John Watson] 1-0 (69)*)* 12.h4 *(12.g5 Nh5 13.Nce2 Ne5 14.Ng3 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.b3 Rc7 17.Nxh5 gxh5 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.exf5 Rc6 20.Rhg1 Qd7 21.f6 Bh8 22.Qd3 e6 23.Rg3 Rfc8 24.c4 e5 25.Qe4 R8c7 26.f4 exf4* Rosero,J (2090)-Correa,D (1716) Guatape 2016 EXT 2017 [ChessBase II] 1-0*)* 12...Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Qa5 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.Nxf6+ exf6 16.Qb4 Qc7 17.Bd3 Be6 18.g5 d5 19.gxf6 Bh6 20.e5 Rfe8 21.h5 Bf4 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Rdg1 Bf7 24.Qe1 Rxe5 25.Qh4 Be8 26.Rg4 Multala,A-Juntunen,J Finland 1963 Corr Nr. 1 [Kirjeshakki] 1-0 (32)]
11...Nxd4!∓ 12.Bxg7

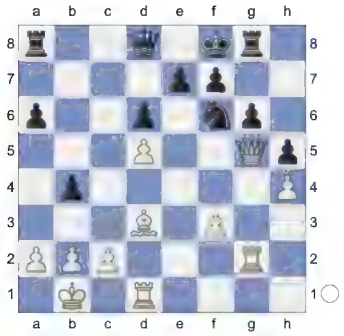


Black is slightly better. **12...Nxf3!**
13.gxf3
[13.Qh6 Ng4! 14.Qf4 Kxg7∓]
13...Kxg7 14.h4 h5 15.Rg1 Bc6

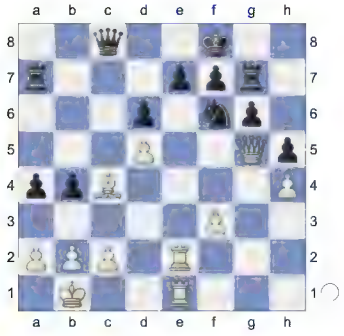


16.Qg5 b5 0.39/19
[16...Qb6∓ -0.33/18]
17.Nd5 -0.43/19
[17.Ne2!± 0.39/19]
17...Bxd5 18.exd5 Rg8 0.15/21
[Black should try 18...Rc8!∓ -0.45/21]
19.Bd3 White has compensation.
19...Kf8 0.57/21
[19...Rc8= -0.01/20]
20.Rg2 -0.01/18
[White should play 20.f4± 0.57/21]
20...b4 0.74/21
[20...Qb6= -0.01/18]

(Diagram)



21.Re1 0.41/20
[21.f4± 0.74/21]
21...a5 0.89/20
[21...Rg7± 0.41/20 deserves consideration.]
22.Rge2 -0.01/17
[22.f4!± 0.89/20 Strongly threatening f5. Ng4 23.f5]
22...Ra7!= 23.Qh6+ Rg7 24.Qg5 -0.76/20
[24.Qh8+= 0.01/21 keeps the balance. Rg8 25.Qh6+ Rg7 26.Qh8+ Ng8 27.Re4]
24...a4∓ 25.Bc4 Qc8 -0.58/21
[25...Rh7∓ -0.92/22]



26.b3 -0.91/19
[26.Bb5∓ -0.58/21 Rh7 27.Bc6]
26...Qc5? 4.41/19
[26...a3∓ -0.91/19 stays on course.]

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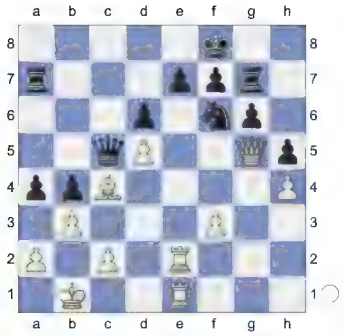
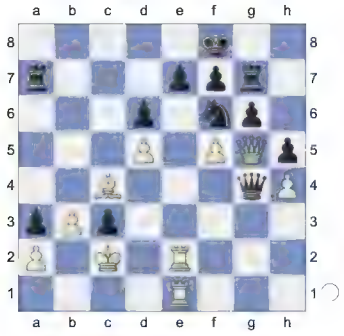


27.f4? -1.34/20
[Not 27.Qh6 Nxd5 28.Bxd5 *(28.Qh8+ Rg8∓)* 28...Qxd5 29.bxa4 Qa5 30.Rxe7 *(30.Qh8+ Rg8∓)* 30...Rxe7∓]
[27.Qxf6!+- 4.41/19 Kg8 *(27...a3 28.Kc1)* 28.Rxe7 Rxe7 29.Qxe7 *(29.Rxe7 Qg1+)*]
27...Qd4 28.f5? -3.27/20
[28.Qg1∓ -1.12/21 Qxg1 29.Rxg1]
28...a3 Really sharp! **29.c3 bxc3 30.Kc2 Qg4**
[30...Nxd5? 31.Bxd5 f6 32.Qg1 Qxg1 33.Rxg1+-]



31.Qxg4 Nxg4 32.fxg6 fxg6 -0.71/19
[32...Rxg6-+ -1.67/20 White must now prevent ...Ne5. 33.Kxc3 *(33.Bd3? Rg7-+)* 33...Ne5]
33.Kxc3 Rf7 Inhibits Rf1. **34.Re6** -1.30/21
[34.Kb4!∓ -0.65/21]

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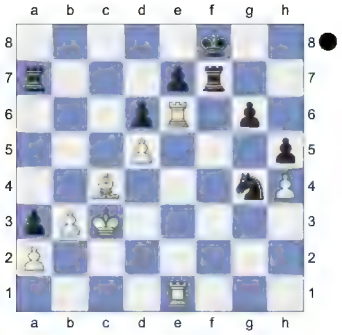
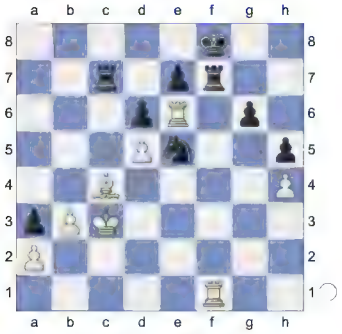
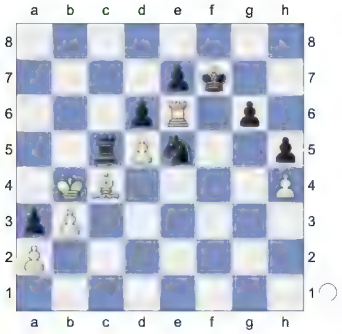


34...Ne5! 35.Rf1 Rc7 -0.70/22
[35...Rb7-+ -1.80/24 36.Rxf7+ Kxf7]



36.Rxf7+∓ Kxf7 37.Kb4 Rc5 0.01/22
[Better is 37...Ra7∓ -1.07/23 38.Kb5 Ra8]



38.Kxa3? -2.31/24
[38.Rxe5!= 0.01/22 Rxc4+ 39.bxc4 dxe5 40.c5 *(40.Kxa3? e4-+)*]
38...Nxc4+-+ 39.bxc4 Rxc4

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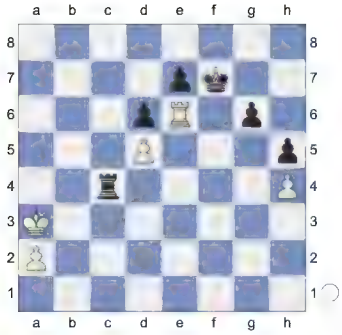

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117 **B72**
□ **Ohanyan,Emin** **2495**
■ **Dau Khuong Duy** **2411**
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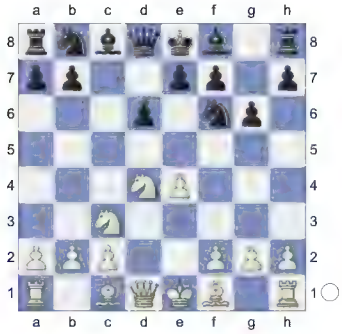
[Kitty Kat]

B72: Sicilian Dragon: 6 Be3, lines with h3+Bc4 and sidelines
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6



6.Be3 a6 7.f3 e5
[7...b5 8.Qd2 Bb7 9.0-0-0 h5 10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.f4 Ng4 12.Kb1 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 e5 14.fxe5 Nxe5 15.Nd5 Bg7 16.h3 Rc8 17.Nf3 0-0 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.g4 h4 20.Rhf1 Kg7 21.c3 Bxd5 22.exd5 Uribe,M (2413)-Kudrin,S (2578) Sao Paulo BRA 2009 [Chris Ward] ½-½

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[7...Bg7 8.Qd2 Nbd7 9.0-0-0 b5 10.a3 Bb7 11.g4 Nb6 12.h4 h5 13.Qf2 hxg4 14.Ne6 fxe6 15.Bxb6 Qb8 16.e5 Nd7 17.exd6 Nxb6 18.Bd3 Bxf3 19.Bxg6+ Kd7 20.dxe7+ Nd5 21.Nxd5 exd5 22.Rhe1 Mouhamad,J (2244)-Nikolovski,N (2347) Noisiel 2023 ½-½ (58)]

8.Nb3 Be6 9.Qd2 White is slightly better. **9...h5** Against g4 **10.Be2N**
[10.0-0-0 Nbd7 11.Kb1 Rc8 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5 Bg7 14.c4 Qc7 15.Rc1 b6 16.Be2 Nc5 17.h4 Qd7 18.Na1 e4 19.Nc2 0-0 20.Nd4 b5 21.Bh6 Bxh6 22.Qxh6 bxc4 23.Bxc4 Rfe8 24.g4 exf3 Lhotsky,Z (2290)-4.g3 d5 5.cd5 ♘d5 6.g3 ♘b (2605) Reykjavik 2017 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik; INF 79/525] 0-1 (31) 25.Nf5 gxf5 26.Qxf6 Ne4 27.Qh6 fxg4 28.Bxa6 Rxc1+ 29.Rxc1 Qf5 30.Bd3 f2 31.a4 Qxd5 0-1 (31) Larrea,M (2290)-Delgado Ramirez,N (2605) Rio de Janeiro BRA 2017 [Chris Ward]]

10...Nbd7

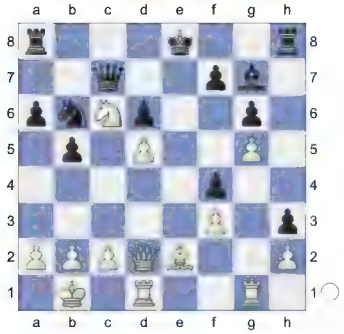
11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.exd5 h4 13.0-0-0 Bg7 14.Kb1 h3 0.84/18
[14...b5± 0.36/18]

15.g4!± b5

(Diagram)

16.g5 Nh5 17.Na5 0.59/21
[17.Bf1± 1.05/20]

17...Nf4!± 18.Rhg1 Nb6 19.Nc6 Qc7 20.Bxf4 exf4



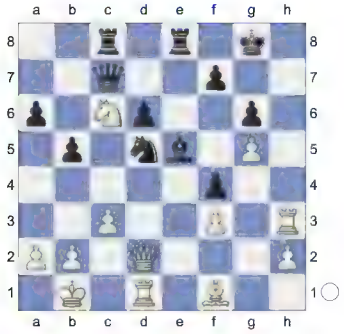
21.Rg4 Be5 22.c3 0.06/20
[22.Nxe5 dxe5 23.d6 Qc5=]
[22.Bd3± 0.48/18 feels stronger.]

22...0-0 23.Rh4 Rfe8 24.Rxh3 -0.01/21
[24.Bf1± 0.39/19]

24...Rac8 0.37/20
[24...Qd7= -0.01/21 was preferrable. 25.Rh4 Rac8]

25.Bf1 -0.40/22
[25.Nxe5± 0.37/20 dxe5 26.Qe1]

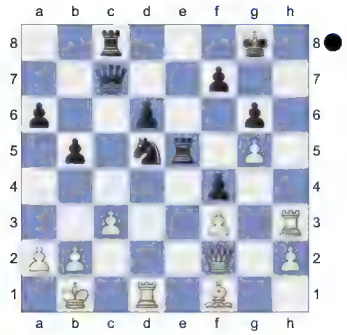
25...Nxd5∓



26.Nxe5 -1.22/22

[26.Qxd5∓ -0.47/23 Qxc6 27.Qxc6 Rxc6 28.a3]

26...Rxe5∓ 27.Qf2



Rxg5 -0.78/21

[27...Nxc3+ 28.bxc3 Qxc3 29.Qb2∓]

[⌓27...Qc5! -1.29/20 28.Qh4 Kf8]

28.Rh6 -1.49/22

[White should play 28.Qh4 -0.78/21 Rh5 29.Qe1]

28...Qe7!

[But not 28...Ne3?! 29.Qh4 Qc5 30.Rh8+ Kg7 31.Rh7+ Kg8 32.Rh8+ Kg7 33.Rh7+ Kg8 34.Rh8+=]

29.Qh4

[Much weaker is 29.Qd4 Re5 30.Bd3 Qg5]

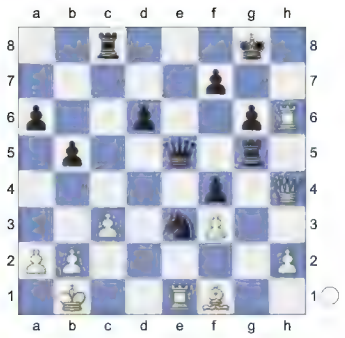
29...Qe5 30.Re1 -2.37/21

[30.Rh8+∓ -1.50/22 Qxh8 31.Qxg5]

30...Ne3-+

[Stronger than 30...Nxc3+ 31.bxc3 Qxc3 32.Bh3∓]

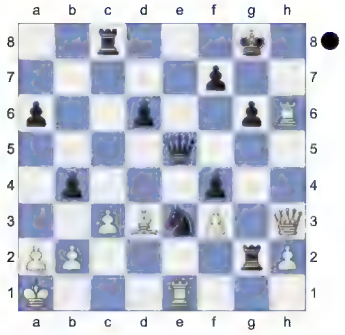
(Diagram)



31.Bd3 -8.43/21 Inhibits Qf5.

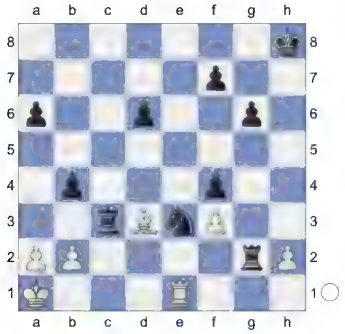
[31.a3 -3.06/21]

31...Rg2 White must now prevent ... Rxb2+! Black is clearly winning. **32.Ka1 b4 33.Qh3**



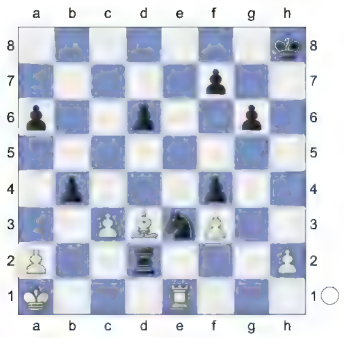
Rxc3! (-> ...Rc1+!). Active counter play!

34.Rh8+ Qxh8 35.Qxh8+ Kxh8



36.bxc3 Rd2

(Diagram)



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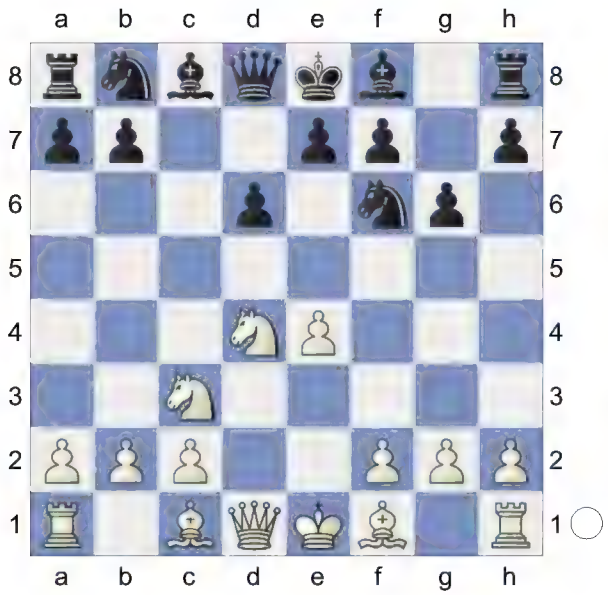
0-1



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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1	f4[1] Nc6[2]	Nf3[3] Bg4	Bd3 Bg7	0-0[4] 0-0	Kh1 Nd7	Qe1 Bxf3	Rxf3 e6	Be3 Nd4[5]
2	Bc4 Bg7[6]	0-0[7] 0-0	h3[8] Nc6[9]	Be3[10] Bd7[11]	Re1 Rc8	Bb3[12] a6	Qd2 b5	Rad1 b4[13]
3	Be2 Bg7[14]	0-0[15] 0-0[16]	Re1[17] Nc6[18]	Nb3[19] Be6[20]	Bg5[21] h6	Be3[22] d5	exd5 Nxd5	Nxd5 Qxd5[23]
4	. . . . . .	. . . . . .	Be3 Nc6	a4[24] Bd7[25]	Qd2[26] Re8[27]	Nb3 a5	f3 Nb4	Rfd1 Rc8[28]
5	g3 Bg7[29]	Bg2[30] 0-0[31]	0-0[32] Nc6[33]	Nde2[34] a6[35]	b3 Rb8[36]	Bb2 b5	Rb1 Bb7	Nd5 Nd7[37]
6	. . . . . .	. . . Bg4	Nde2[38] Nc6	h3 Be6[39]	0-0 Qd7[40]	Nf4 0-0	Be3 Rac8	Rb1 a6[41]
7	. . . Bg4	f3[42] Bd7	Be3[43] Nc6[44]	Qd2 h5	0-0-0 Bg7[45]	Kb1 a6	h3 b5	Be2 Na5[46]
8	Be3 a6[47]	f3[48] b5[49]	Qd2[50] Bb7[51]	0-0-0[52] Nbd7	Kb1[53] Rc8[54]	g4 Nb6[55]	Bh6 Bxh6	Qxh6 Rxc3[56]

	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9	. . .	f3[57]	Qd2[59]	Bxd4[60]	Be3[61]	Qxe3	Bb5+[63]	0-0-0[64]
	Nc6	h5[58]	Nxd4	Bh6	Bxe3	Be6[62]	Kf8	Qa5[65]
10	. . .	. . .	Bc4	Qd2[67]	Bxd4	Qd3[69]	0-0[71]	f4
	. . .	. . .	Bd7[66]	Nxd4[68]	Bh6	0-0[70]	e6	Bc6[72]
11	. . .	Be2[73]	Qd2[75]	0-0-0[77]	Bxg4	f3	Kb1[80]	h4
	Bg7	0-0[74]	Nc6[76]	Ng4[78]	Bxg4	Be6[79]	Qa5[81]	Rfc8[82]
12	. . .	. . .	Nb3	0-0	Re1[84]	Qd2	axb3	Bh6
	. . .	. . .	Nc6	Be6[83]	Na5[85]	Nxb3	a6	Rc8[86]
13	. . .	f3	Qd2[88]	h3[90]	Be2	Na4	b3	a3
	. . .	a6[87]	h5[89]	b5[91]	b4	Qa5	Bb7	Qc7[92]
14	. . .	. . .	. . .	g4[93]	0-0-0[95]	Na4	Qxb4	Nc3
	. . .	. . .	Nbd7	b5[94]	b4[96]	Ne5	Bd7	0-0[97]
15	. . .	. . .	Qd2[98]	0-0-0	Kb1[101]	Bc4[103]	Be2	Bxc4
	. . .	Nc6	h5[99]	Bd7[100]	Rc8[102]	Ne5	Nc4	Rxc4[104]
16	. . .	. . .	. . .	g4[105]	g5	0-0-0	Nd5	Nb5
	. . .	. . .	Bd7	h5[106]	Nh7	Nf8[107]	Ne6	0-0[108]
17	. . .	. . .	Bc4[109]	Bb3[111]	Qd2[113]	Bxd4	a4[115]	Bxa4[117]
	. . .	0-0	Nc6[110]	Bd7[112]	Nxd4[114]	b5	bxa4[116]	Qc7!?[118]
18	. . .	. . .	Qd2	0-0-0[120]	h4[122]	Nd5[123]	exd5	Bc4
	. . .	. . .	a6[119]	b5[121]	b4	Nxd5	Qa5	Bb7[124]
19	. . .	. . .	. . .	Bc4[125]	0-0-0[127]	Be2	Nxc6[128]	h4
	. . .	. . .	Nc6	Nd7[126]	Nb6	d5	bxc6	Qd6[129]
20	. . .	h3	Qd2	0-0-0	Kb1	f3	Nb3	h4
	. . .	0-0[130]	Nc6	Bd7[131]	a6[132]	Qa5	Qc7	Rfc8[133]

[1] **6.Bg5** Bg7 7.Qd2 [7.Bc4 Nc6 8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.0-0 0-0 10.h4 Rb8 11.Bb3 Qa5 12.Qd2 Be6 13.Rfe1 c5 14.e5 dxe5 15.Rxe5 Bxb3 16.cxb3 Rxb3 17.Rxc5 Qxc5 18.axb3 Rb8 19.Be3 Qh5 20.Bxa7 Rxb3 21.Qd8+ Bf8 22.Be3 Rb7 23.Ra8 Nd7 24.Qc8 Rb8 25.Rxb8 Nxb8 26.Bg5 f6 27.g4 1-0 (27) Sinecdoxa (2818)-Satlan (2676) Blitz

2023]
7...0-0
[7...Nc6 8.0-0-0 *(8.Nb3 h6 9.Be3 Ng4 10.Bf4 g5 11.Bg3 a5 12.Bb5 Nge5 13.h4 g4 14.h5 Be6 15.Nd5 a4 16.Nd4 Bd7 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 a3 19.b4 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Bxa1 21.0-0 Be5 22.Bh4 f6 23.Re1 Kf8 24.c3 Rc8 25.Bb3 Qe8 26.Nxf6 exf6 27.Bxf6 Bxf6 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Qxd6 Rf8 30.Qe6+ Kd8 31.Qd6+ Ke8 32.Qe6+ Kd8 33.Qd6+ Ke8* ½-½ (33) Razinioshaazuka (2821)-Mischuk,D (2726) Blitz 2024*)* 8...Nxe4 9.Nxc6 Nxd2 10.Nxd8 Nxf1 11.Nxf7 Kxf7 12.Rhxf1 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Be6 14.Rd3 Rhc8 15.Re1 Rc5 16.h4 h6 17.Rf3+ Rf5 18.Rxf5+ gxf5 19.Bxh6 Bxa2 20.Re3 e5 21.Bg5 f4 22.Rh3 Be6 23.Rh1 Rg8 24.g3 fxg3 25.fxg3 Bc4 26.Rh2 a5 27.Kd2 a4 28.Rf2+ Ke6 29.Kc1 a3 30.Kb1 a2+ 31.Kb2 Ra8 32.Ka1 Ra5 33.Rh2 e4 34.Bf4 Kf5 35.h5 Ra8 36.h6 Rh8 37.Be3 Kg6 38.Rh4 Rf8 39.Rg4+ Kh7 40.Rf4 Rxf4 41.Bxf4 d5 42.Bg5 Kg6 43.Bf4 b5 44.g4 Kh7 45.Bd2 Kg6 46.Be3 Kh7 47.Kb2 Kg6 48.g5 Kh7 49.Bf4 Kg6 50.Bc1 Kh7 51.Bd2 Kg6 52.Be3 Kh7 53.Bd4 Kg6 54.Bc5 Kh7 55.Ba3 Kg6 56.Be7 Kh7 57.Bf6 Kg6 58.Bd4 Kh7 59.Be3 Kg6 60.Bc1 Kh7 61.Ka3 Kg6 62.Bb2 Kh7 63.Kb4 Kg6 64.Kc5 e3 65.Kd4 e2 66.Kc5 e1Q 67.Ba3 Qe3+ 68.Kd6 Kh7 69.Bc5 Qf4+ 70.Kc6 Qf5 71.g6+ Qxg6+ 72.Kb7 Qxh6 73.Bd6 a1Q 74.Bc7 Qaa6+ 75.Kb8 Qhc6 76.Bd8 Qcb7# 0-1 (76) Boyfriend Katerab (2827)-Diamond2021 (2707) Blitz 2022]
8.0-0-0 Nc6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.h4 Qb6 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.h5 Bg7 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Bd3 Be6 15.Qg5 Rae8 16.Qh4 f6 17.e5 1-0 (17) Dadav (2993)-Nevergiveups15 (2624) Blitz 2022
6.h4 h5
[6...Qa5 7.Bd2 Nc6 8.Nd5 Qd8 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Nxf6+ exf6 11.h5 g5 12.h6 Be6 13.Bd3 Be7 14.Bc3 0-0 15.f4 gxf4 16.Qf3 d5 17.Qxf4 d4 18.Qg3+ 1-0 (18) Cute Penguin04 (2869)-Vetranio (2722) Blitz 2022]
[6...Bg7 7.h5 Nxh5 8.Be2 Nf6 9.Bh6 Bxh6 10.Rxh6 Nc6 11.Qd2 Qb6 12.Nb3 Be6 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 Ne5 15.0-0-0 Rc8 16.Rh4 h5 17.Rb4 Qc7 18.Bb5+ Kf8 19.f4 Neg4 20.Rc4 Qd8 21.Re1 Rxc4 22.Bxc4 Kg7 23.f5 Ne5 24.Bd3 Qc8 25.fxg6 fxg6 26.Nd4 Nxd5 27.Nf3 Nxd3+ 28.Qxd3 Qf5 29.Qd4+ Kh7 30.Qxa7 Rc8 31.Nd4 Qf4+ 32.Kb1 Qd2 33.Rc1 Rc4 34.Nb3 Nb4 35.Nxd2 1-0 (35) Kelevra317 (2846)-Guerrierodellaluce (2719) Blitz 2020]
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7.Be3
[7.Bg5 Bg7 8.Qd2 *(8.f3 0-0 9.Qd2 Nc6 10.Nb3 a5 11.a4 Be6 12.Be2 Ne5 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Bf5 15.Nd4 Bd7 16.c3 Qb6 17.Be3 Qc7*

18.g4 hxg4 19.fxg4 Nc4 20.Qc1 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Qb6 22.0-0-0 e5 23.dxe6 fxe6 24.h5 e5 25.Bc4+ Rf7 26.hxg6 d5 27.gxf7+ Kf8 28.Nf5 d4 29.Qg5 Bxf5 30.gxf5 dxc3 31.Rh8+ Bxh8 32.Qg8+ Ke7 33.f8Q+ Rxf8 34.Qh7+ Kf6 35.Qg6+ Ke7 36.Qxb6 cxb2+ 37.Kb1 Rf6 38.Qd8# 1-0 (38) Rebeccaharris (2834)-Burgerswave (2641) Blitz 2021*)*
8...Nc6 *(8...a6 9.a4 b6 10.Bc4 Bb7 11.f3 Nbd7 12.Ba2 Qc7 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.Rfe1 0-0 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Qc5 19.Rad1 Bxd5 20.Bxd5 Qxd5 21.Kh2 Qc4 22.b3 Qb4 23.Re4 Qa5 24.c4 Qc3 25.Rxe5 dxe5 26.Nf5 gxf5 27.Qg5+ Kh8 28.Qxh5+ Kg8 29.Qg5+ Kh8 30.Qh6+ Kg8 31.Qg5+ Kh8 32.Qh5+ Kg8 33.Qg5+* ½-½ (33) Viejotortuga (2815)-Doruksarp17 (2696) Blitz 2022*)* 9.Nb3 0-0 10.0-0-0 a5 11.a4 Be6 12.Kb1 Bxb3 13.cxb3 Qb6 14.Bb5 Nb4 15.f3 Rfd8 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5 gxf3 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bc4+ Kf8 20.Bh6 Ng4 21.Qf4+ 1-0 (21) Molt7N (2837)-Ocinitram (2676) Blitz 2022]

7...Bg7 8.Be2

[8.f3 Nc6 9.Qd2 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 11.0-0-0 0-0 12.Kb1 Qc7 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 a5 15.g4 hxg4 16.h5 gxf3 17.h6 Normal 1-0 (17) Vistagausta (2860)-Emperorbundaloy (2634) Blitz 2024]

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6.f3 h5

[6...Bg7 7.Bd2 0-0 8.Be3 Nc6 9.Qd2 d5 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.e5 Ne8 *(11...Nd7 12.f4 e6 13.h4 c5 14.Bf2 Bb7 15.h5 d4 16.Na4 Bc6 17.b3 Bxa4 18.bxa4 Nb6 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.g3 Qd5 21.Rh2 Rab8 22.Bg2 Qd7 23.a5 Nc4 24.Qd3 Nxa5 25.Be4 Nc6 26.Kf1 Nb4 27.Qd2 Nd5 28.Kg2 Rb2 29.Rah1 Bh8 30.Bxg6 Nxf4+ 31.gxf4 Qg7 32.Qd3 c4 33.Qe4 Rxf4 34.Qxf4 Qxg6+ 35.Qg3 Qxg3+ 36.Kxg3 Bxe5+ 37.Kh3 Bxh2 38.Rxh2 e5 39.Bg3 Rxa2 40.Bxe5 d3 41.cxd3 Rxh2+ 42.Kxh2 cxd3 43.Bc3 h5 44.Kg3 Kf7 45.Kf4 Kg6 46.Ke3 Kf5 47.Kxd3 Kg4 48.Be5 h4 49.Kc4 h3 50.Kb5* ½-½ (50) Elektromagnit (2824)-Ihmelnyk (2710) Blitz 2021*)* 12.f4 Rb8 13.0-0-0 f6 14.exf6 Nxf6 15.Bd4 Qa5 16.Kb1 Bf5 17.Be5 Rb4 18.b3 d4 19.Ne2 Ne4 20.Qe1 Bxe5 21.fxe5 c5 22.h3 Rfb8 23.g4 Rxb3+ 24.axb3 Rxb3+ 25.cxb3 Nc3+ 26.Kc1 Qa1+ 27.Kd2 Qb2# 0-1 (27) Supertactic91 (2865)-Loin Sn (2881) Blitz 2025]

7.Bc4 a6 8.0-0 b5 9.Bb3 Bb7 10.a4 bxa4 11.Bxa4+ Nbd7 12.Bg5 Bg7 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 0-0 15.Re1 Qb6 16.Bxd7 Bxd4+ 17.Kh1 Bf6 18.Bxf6 exf6 19.Qd2 Ra7 20.Qh6 Bxd5 21.Re7 Qd8 22.Be6 Rxe7 23.Qxg6+ Kh8 24.Qh6+ Kg8 25.Bf5 1-0 (25) Bettercollsoul (2950)-Gordima (2866) Blitz 2024

6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Bc4 Bg7 8.h3 0-0 9.0-0 a6 10.a4 Bd7 11.Be3 Rc8 12.Ba2 Qc7 13.Re1 Rfd8 14.Bg5 e6 15.Qd2 Ne5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Qe2 Bc6 18.Qf3 Qe7 19.Rad1 h6 20.Be3 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Bc1 b4 24.Nb1 Bxe4 25.Qe2 Bd5 26.Bxd5 Nxd5 27.Nd2 f5 28.Nc4 e4 29.f3 exf3 30.Qxe6+ Qxe6 31.Rxe6 Kf7 32.Rc6 fxg2 33.Kxg2 Rd7 34.Nd6+ Ke7 35.Nc8+ Kd8 36.Nd6 Re7 37.Kf1 Kd7 38.Ra6 Nc7 39.Rb6 Bd4 40.Rxb4 Kxd6 41.Rxd4+ Ke5 42.Rc4 Ne6 43.Bxh6 Rh7 44.Bd2 Rxh3 45.b4 Kd5 46.Rc8 Rh1+ 47.Kg2 Rd1 48.c4+ Ke4 49.Bh6 f4 50.Re8 Rd2+ 51.Kh3 Kf5 52.b5 g5 53.b6 g4+ 0-1 (53) Gennadigleizerov (2897)-Marianofreyrex (2528) Blitz 2024

6.Bb5+ Bd7

[6...Nbd7 7.0-0 Bg7 8.Qe2 Kf8 9.Rd1 a6 10.Ba4 b5 11.Bb3 Bb7 12.Bg5 h6 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.a4 b4 15.Nd5 a5 16.Nxf6 Nxf6 17.e5 dxe5 18.Ne6+ fxe6 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Qxe5 Bd5 21.Re1 Rh7 22.h3 Rf7 23.Bxd5 exd5 24.Qe3 Kg7 25.Qb6 Ra8 26.Qc5 Kf8 27.Re6 g5 28.g3 h5 29.Qc6 Ra7 30.Qb6 Ra8 31.Qb7 Rd8 32.Qa6 Ne4 33.Rh6 Nf6 34.Qxa5 Rd6 35.Qxb4 Kg7 36.Rxf6 Rdxf6 37.Qd2 Kg6 38.a5 e5 39.b4 e4 40.b5 Rf3 41.a6 e3 42.Qd3+ Kh6 43.fxe3 Rxg3+ 44.Kh2 h4 45.Qe2 1-0 (45) The Old Pacifist (2815)-Loin Sn (2843) Blitz 2022]

7.a4

[7.Bxd7+ Qxd7 8.Qe2 Bg7 9.Bg5 0-0 10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.e5 dxe5 12.Nf3 Qf5 13.Qxe5 Qxe5 14.Nxe5 Na6 15.Rhe1 e6 16.Nb5 Nd5 17.Nd6 Rc7 18.Kb1 f6 19.c4 Nb6 20.Nb5 Rc5 21.Nf3 fxg5 22.b3 g4 23.Nd2 Rf8 24.Rxe6 Rxf2 25.Re8+ Rf8 26.Re7 Rxb5 27.cxb5 Nd5 28.Rxb7 Nc3+ 29.Kc1 Nxa2+ 30.Kb1 Nc3+ 31.Kc1 Nc5 32.Rxa7 Nxd1 33.Kxd1 Rd8 34.Kc2 Be5 35.Nc4 Bxh2 36.b6 h5 37.Ra5 Nb7 38.Ra7 Rb8 39.Kd3 h4 40.Ke4 h3 41.gxh3 gxh3 42.Kf3 Bd6 43.Ra1 Rf8+ 44.Kg4 h2 45.Kh3 Rf2 46.Rd1 Kh7 47.Nxd6 Nxd6 48.Kg3 Rb2 49.Rh1 Nf5+ 50.Kg4 Rxb3 51.Rxh2+ Kg7 52.Rc2 Rxb6 53.Kg5 Rb7 54.Rc6 Ne7 55.Rc5 Rd7 56.Kg4 Rd5 57.Rc7 Kf6 58.Ra7 1-0 (58) Zrivencx (2856)-Idisjuda (2664) Blitz 2023]

7...Bg7 8.0-0 0-0 9.h3 Nc6 10.Bxc6 bxc6 11.Re1 c5 12.Nf3 Bc6 13.e5 Bxf3 14.Qxf3 dxe5 15.Rxe5 Qc7 16.Bf4 Nh5 1-0 (16) Nindja64 (2894)-Benj49 (2675) Blitz 2021

6.Bd3 Bg7 7.Be3

[7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 Nc6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Qe1 d5 11.Bf4 a5 12.Rd1 Qb6 13.Be5 Qxb2 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Rb1 Qa3 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nxd5 cxd5 18.Qe5+ Kg8 19.Qxd5 Be6 20.Qe5 Qxa2 21.Rb5 a4 22.Ra1 f6 23.Qe1 Qxa1 24.Qxa1 a3 25.Rb6 Bf7 26.Ra6 Rxa6 27.Bxa6 Ra8 28.Qxa3 Bc4 29.Bxc4+ 1-0 (29) Slimfritz (2809)-Professor Coach (2653) Blitz 2022]

7...0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.h3 e5 11.a3 Rb8 12.b4 a5 13.Na2 c5

14.bxc5 dxc5 15.Bxc5 Re8 16.Re1 Qc7 17.Be3 Be6 18.Bg5 Qc5 19.Qc1 h6 20.Bh4 g5 21.Bg3 Nh5 22.Bh2 Nf4 23.g3 Nxh3+ 24.Kg2 Nf4+ 25.Kg1 Nh3+ 26.Kg2 Nf4+ 27.gxf4 exf4 28.Bg1 Bb2 29.f3 Qxa3 30.Qb1 Bxa1 31.Qxa1 Qxa2 32.Qf6 Rb2 33.Qxh6 Rxc2+ 34.Bxc2 Qxc2+ 35.Kh1 f6 36.Qxf6 Qc7 37.Qxg5+ Qg7 38.Qxg7+ Kxg7 39.Bd4+ Kg6 40.Rg1+ Kh5 41.Be5 a4 42.Bxf4 a3 43.Be5 a2 44.Ba1 Rb8 45.Kh2 Rb1 46.Be5 Bc4 47.f4 Bd3 48.f5 Rb4 49.Re1 Rb7 50.f6 Rf7 51.Re3 Bb1 52.Ba1 Kg5 53.e5 Kf5 54.e6 Rxf6 55.e7 Rh6+ 56.Kg2 Rg6+ 57.Kf2 Rg8 58.e8Q Rxe8 59.Rxe8 Kg6 60.Kf3 Kf7 61.Re1 Kg6 62.Kf4 Kf7 63.Kg5 Kf8 64.Kf6 Kg8 65.Rh1 Be4 66.Rh4 Bb1 67.Rh2 Bd3 68.Rxa2 1-0 (68) Raftx24 (2889)-Ali Sizar (2508) Rapid 2022

6.h3 Nbd7

[6...Bg7 7.Bd3 *(7.g4 Nc6 8.Be3 h5 9.g5 Nd7 10.Qd2 Nc5 11.0-0-0 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 0-0 14.e5 Ne6 15.Qe3 Qa5 16.exd6 exd6 17.Rd5 Qb6 18.Qxb6 axb6 19.h4 Ra5 20.Rxd6 Rf5 21.Ne4 Rf4 22.Nf6+ Kg7 23.Rxb6 Rxf2 24.Bc4 Rf4 25.Bxe6 Bxe6 26.Rxb7 Rc8 27.b3 Rf2 28.c4 Rxa2 29.Re1 Ra1+ 30.Kd2 Rd8+ 31.Ke2 Ra2+ 32.Ke3 Rdd2 33.Ne4 Rh2 34.Nc5 Bf5 35.Kd4 Rxh4+ 36.Kc3 Rh3+ 37.Kb4 Rf3 38.Ree7 Bc2 39.Ne6+ Kg8 40.Nd4 Rf2 41.Rb8+ Kg7 42.Ree8 f5 43.Re7#* 1-0 (43) Elnakkr (2858)-Ocinitram (2754) Blitz 2023*)* 7...0-0 8.Nde2 Nc6 9.0-0 a6 10.a3 b5 11.f4 Bb7 12.Kh1 Rc8 13.f5 Ne5 14.Qe1 d5 15.Qh4 dxe4 16.Bxe4 Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Qd5 18.N2g3 Rc4 19.Rf4 gxf5 20.Nxf5 Ng6 21.Nxe7+ Nxe7 22.Qxe7 Rxe4 23.Rxe4 Qxe4 0-1 (23) Molt7N (2867)-Daubon (2727) Blitz 2022]

7.g3 Bg7 8.Bg2 a6 9.0-0 Qc7 10.Be3 0-0 11.a4 Ne5 12.Re1 Bd7 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Rac8 15.c3 Nc4 16.Bc1 Rfe8 17.h4 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.b3 Nb6 20.Bb2 h5 21.Qd3 Qc5 22.Nc6 Bxc6 23.dxc6 d5 24.Bf1 Qxc6 25.Qxb5 Qxb5 26.Bxb5 Red8 27.Ra6 Rb8 28.Rxe7 Nc8 29.Re8+ Rxe8 30.Bxe8 Rxb3 31.Ra8 Nb6 32.Ra2 Na8 33.Rxa8 Rxb2 34.Bc6+ Kh7 35.Bxd5 Bxc3 36.Ra2 Rxa2 37.Bxa2 ½-½ (37) Elektromagnit (2880)-The Old Pacifist (2818) Blitz 2022

6.Rg1 Bg7 7.Nb3 0-0

[7...Nc6 8.g4 Be6 9.Bh3 h5 10.g5 Bxh3 11.gxf6 Bxf6 12.Nd5 Bg7 13.c3 Be6 14.Bg5 Qd7 15.Qe2 0-0-0 16.0-0-0 Kb8 17.Kb1 Rc8 18.f3 Qe8 19.Qf2 Bxd5 20.exd5 Ne5 21.Rge1 Rc7 22.Re4 Qc8 23.Be3 b6 24.Qe2 Qh3 25.Bd4 Bf6 26.f4 Nd7 27.a4 Qf5 28.Ka2 Nc5 29.Bxf6 Qxf6 30.Rb4 Nxb3 31.Kxb3 Rc5 32.Rdd4 Rhc8 33.Qa6 R8c7 34.a5 Rb7 35.axb6 axb6 36.Rxb6 Rcc7 37.Rdb4 Rxb6 38.Rxb6+ 1-0 (38) Darthmccartney (2832)-Wolfgirl13 (2436) Blitz 2024]

8.g4 Nc6 9.g5 Nd7 10.h4 a5 11.a4 Nb4 12.h5 b6 13.Rh1 Bb7 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Be3 Rc8 16.Bd4 e5 17.Be3 Nc5 18.Nxc5 dxc5 19.Bc4 Qe7 20.Qe2 Rfd8 21.f3 Rd4 22.b3 Rcd8 23.Rc1 Bc6 24.Qh2 Kf8 25.Qh7 R8d6 0-1 (25) Imirammstein (2841)-Bulletcoach (2645) Blitz 2024

[2] **6...Nbd7** 7.Qf3

[7.Bc4 Bg7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Qf3 a6 10.0-0-0 Nb6 11.Bb3 Bg4 12.Qf2

Bxd1 13.Rxd1 Ng4 14.Qe2 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Qc7 16.f5 Rac8 17.g4 Nc4 18.Qg1 b5 19.Nd5 Qa7 20.g5 Be5 21.h4 e6 22.Nc6 Qxg1 23.Nde7+ Kh8 24.Rxg1 Rc7 25.Bxc4 bxc4 26.f6 h6 27.Nxe5 dxe5 28.h5 Rxe7 29.fxe7 Re8 30.hxg6 fxg6 31.gxh6 Kh7 32.Kd2 Rxe7 33.Kc3 Kxh6 34.Kxc4 g5 35.b4 Rd7 36.a4 Kh5 37.b5 axb5+ 38.axb5 Rd4+ 39.Kc5 Rxe4 40.b6 Re2 41.c4 Rb2 42.Kc6 e4 43.c5 e3 44.b7 e2 45.Kc7 e1Q 46.Rxe1 1-0 (46) Cygnet26 (2844)-Niper13 (2649) Blitz 2022]

[7.Qe2 e5 8.Nf3 Bg7 9.Be3 0-0 10.0-0-0 Qa5 11.Rxd6 Ng4 12.Rd5 Qc7 13.Nb5 Qb8 14.Nd6 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 exf4 16.Qxf4 Nb6 17.Rd2 Be6 18.h4 h6 19.h5 Qc7 20.Nd4 g5 21.Qh2 Qc5 22.Nb3 Qe3 23.Bd3 a5 24.Qg1 Qxg1+ 25.Rxg1 a4 26.Nc5 Bxa2 27.Rgd1 Bd4 28.Ncxb7 a3 29.c3 Be3 30.Nf5 Bxd2+ 31.Rxd2 Be6 32.Kb1 axb2 33.Rxb2 Bxf5 34.exf5 Na4 35.Rc2 Rab8 36.Be4 Nc5 37.Bd5 Nxb7 38.Kc1 Nc5 39.c4 Rfd8 40.Kd2 Rd6 41.Ke3 Rbd8 42.Kd4 Nd7 43.c5 Nf6 44.cxd6 Rxd6 45.Ke5 Rxd5+ 46.Kxf6 Rd6+ 47.Ke7 Ra6 48.Rc8+ Kg7 49.f6+ Rxf6 50.Rg8+ Kxg8 51.Kxf6 Kf8 52.g4 Kg8 53.Kf5 Kg7 54.Ke5 1-0 (54) Arm (2832)-Wuzhaobing (2727) Blitz 2022]

[7.g4 e5 8.fxe5 Nxe5 9.g5 Bg4 10.Be2 Bxe2 11.Qxe2 Nh5 12.Nd5 a6 13.Bd2 Rc8 14.0-0-0 Bg7 15.Nf5 gxf5 16.Qxh5 fxe4 17.Bc3 0-0 18.Nf6+ Bxf6 19.gxf6 Rxc3 20.Qg5+ Ng6 21.bxc3 Re8 22.Rdf1 Re5 23.Qh6 Qf8 24.Qxf8+ Kxf8 25.h4 h5 26.Kd2 Ke8 27.Ke3 Kd7 28.Rhg1 Nxh4 29.Rg8 Nf5+ 30.Kf4 Ke6 31.Re8+ Kxf6 32.Rxe5 dxe5+ 33.Kxe4 Kg6 34.Rxf5 f6 35.c4 h4 36.c5 h3 37.c4 h2 38.Rf1 f5+ 39.Kxe5 Kg5 40.Rxf5+ Kg4 41.Rf1 Kg3 42.Kd6 Kg2 43.Rb1 h1Q 44.Rxh1 Kxh1 45.Kc7 1-0 (45) Arm (2829)-Wuzhaobing (2736) Blitz 2022]

7...Bg7 8.Be3 0-0 9.0-0-0 Qc7

[9...Nc5 10.h3 Qa5 11.Kb1 *(11.e5 dxe5 12.fxe5 Nfd7 13.e6 Ne5 14.exf7+ Rxf7 15.Qg3 Bf5 16.Bf4 Nc6 17.Nxc6 bxc6 18.Bc4 Be6 19.Bc7 Qb4 20.Bxe6 Nxe6 21.Be5 Bxe5 22.Qxe5 Rb8 23.b3 Nf4 24.Rhf1 Rbf8 25.Kb1 Nd3 26.Qe6 Nc5* 0-1 (26) Calculatebetter (2845)-Sina Iran (2974) Blitz 2022*)* 11...a6 12.g4 Na4 13.Nxa4 Qxa4 14.Bg2 Nd7 15.Qf2 Nb6 16.b3 Qa3 17.c3 Qa5 18.Nc2 Qxc3 19.e5 Nd7 20.Bd4 Qc7 21.Ne3 Re8 22.exd6 exd6 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Nd5 Qd8 25.Qd4+ Kg8 26.h4 Re6 27.h5 gxh5 28.g5 Rg6 29.Rxh5 Nf8 30.Nf6+ Rxf6 31.gxf6 Ne6 32.Qxd6 Qxd6 33.Rxd6 Nf8 34.Ka1 Bd7 35.Rg5+ Kh8 36.Bxb7 Rb8 37.Be4 Re8 38.Bd5 h6 39.Rg1 Be6 40.Rh1 Kg8 41.Rxh6 Bf5 42.Rh5 Bg6 43.Rg5 Kh8 44.Rg1 Nh7 45.f5 Bxf5 46.Bxf7 Rf8 47.Rh1 Be4 48.Rh2 a5 49.Bc4 a4 50.bxa4 Rb8 51.Bb3 Rc8 52.Rd1 Rb8 53.a5 Rc8 54.a6 Bf3 55.Rd7 Be4 56.Rg7 Rc1+ 57.Kb2 Rc8 58.a7 Bf5 59.Rg1 Bb1 60.f7 Bg6 61.Rxg6 Rc2+ 62.Rxc2 Nf8 63.Rh2+ Nh7 64.Rg8# 1-0 (64) Reinforcementtrial (2866)-Pseudo (2366) Rapid 2023]

10.g4 Nc5 11.f5 Nfd7 12.h4 Ne5 13.Qh3 e6 14.h5 gxf5 15.gxf5 Kh8 16.Rg1 Bf6 17.h6 Qe7 18.Rd2 Bd7

19.Rdg2 Rg8 20.Kb1 b5 21.Ndxb5 Bc6 22.Nd4 Bb7 23.fxe6 fxe6 24.Be2 Rxg2 25.Qxg2 Nc6 26.Nxc6 Bxc6 27.Bxc5 dxc5 28.Bb5 Bb7 29.Bc4 Rb8 30.Qg3 Re8 31.e5 Bh4 32.Qf4 Rf8 33.Qg4 Re8 34.Nb5 Bf2 35.Nd6 Rf8 36.Qg7+ 1-0 (36) Drbeerkenstein (2889)-Tiger Nad (2653) Rapid 2021

6...Bg7 7.e5 dxe5

[7...Ng8 8.Bb5+ Kf8 9.0-0 Nh6 10.Be3 Ng4 11.Qf3 Nxe3 12.Qxe3 a6 13.Bc4 b5 14.Bd5 Ra7 15.f5 Nd7 1-0 (15) Drbeerkenstein (2845)-Durarbayli (2828) Rapid 2021]

[7...Nfd7 8.e6

A) 8...Nb6 9.f5 *(9.Bb5+ Kf8 10.exf7 Kxf7 11.0-0 Rf8 12.a4 a6 13.Be2 Nc6 14.Be3 Kg8 15.a5 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Nd7 17.Bc4+ Kh8 18.Bxg7+ Kxg7 19.Qd4+ Nf6 20.Rae1 Bd7 21.Nd5 Re8 22.Rxe7+* 1-0 (22) Chesssplayer21 (2823)-Econpower (2647) Blitz 2023 *)* 9...0-0 10.exf7+ Rxf7 11.fxg6 hxg6 12.Be3 Nc6 13.Nf3 Bg4 14.Be2 Bxf3 15.Bxf3 e6 16.Qe2 Bxc3+ 17.bxc3 Qh4+ 18.Bf2 Qc4 19.Qd2 Raf8 20.Bg3 e5 21.Be2 Qe4 22.Qd3 Qxd3 23.cxd3 Nd5 24.Kd2 Nf4 25.Bg4 Kg7 26.Rhg1 Nh5 27.Be1 Ne7 28.a4 Nf5 29.a5 Nf6 30.Bf3 d5 31.g4 Nd6 32.g5 Nfe4+ 33.Bxe4 dxe4 34.Bg3 Rf5 35.a6 b6 36.Rae1 Rxg5 37.dxe4 Rf3 38.Kc2 Kf6 39.Rgf1 Rxf1 40.Rxf1+ Ke6 41.Kd3 Rg4 42.Re1 b5 43.Re2 Nc4 44.Rf2 Na5 45.Rf8 Nb3 46.Re8+ Kd7 47.Rxe5 Kc6 48.Re6+ Kd7 49.Rd6+ Ke7 50.Rc6 Kd7 51.Rc7+ Ke6 52.Rxa7 Nc5+ 53.Ke3 Rxe4+ 54.Kf3 Ra4 55.Bf2 Nxa6 56.Bd4 Kd5 57.Rd7+ Kc4 58.Bf6 Nc5 59.Kg4 Nxd7 60.Bd4 Kd5 61.Kg5 Rxd4 62.Kxg6 b4 0-1 (62) Chesssplayer21 (2839)-Cl3tvsK4s4dy (2655) Blitz 2024;

B) 8...Nf6 9.Bb5+ Kf8 10.exf7 a6 11.Bc4 Nc6 *(11...d5 12.Bb3 Kxf7 13.Nf3 Nc6 14.Nxd5 e6 15.Ng5+ Ke8 16.Nxf6+ Qxf6 17.0-0 Bd7 18.c3 Ne7 19.Qe2 Bb5 20.Bc4 Bxc4 21.Qxc4 Nd5 22.Re1 Kd7 23.Nxe6 Qxe6 24.Rxe6 Kxe6 25.Qe4+ Kd6 26.f5 gxf5 27.Bf4+ Kc5 28.b4+ Kc6 29.Qe6+* 1-0 (29) Dodop47 (2837)-Loin Sn (2813) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Nf3 Qa5 13.Qe2 Ne4 14.Qxe4 Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 Qxc3+ 16.Kf2 Qxa1 17.f5 Qg7 18.f6 1-0 (18) Arm (2842)-Doruksarp17 (2685) Blitz 2022]

[7...Nh5 8.Bb5+ Bd7 9.e6 Bxb5 10.exf7+ Kxf7 11.Ndxb5 Nc6 12.Be3 a6 13.Qd5+ Kf8 14.Nd4 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Nf6 17.0-0-0 Qa5 18.Ne4 Qxa2 19.Nxf6 exf6 20.Qxf6+ Kg8 21.c3 Rf8 22.Qd4 Rf5 23.Rhe1 Kf7 24.Qxh8 1-0 (24) Adriana Lima Fan (2837)-Yakamuzosan (2717) Blitz 2023]

[7...Ng4 8.Bb5+ Kf8 9.h3 Nh6 10.g4 a6 11.Ba4 Nd7 12.0-0 Nc5 13.Bb3 Nxb3 14.axb3 Bd7 15.Be3 Bc6 16.Qd2 Qc7 17.f5 Nxg4 18.hxg4 Bxe5 19.fxg6 hxg6 20.Ne6+ 1-0 (20) Darkfrontier (2835)-Econpower (2720) Blitz 2024]

8.fxe5 Nd5

[8...Ng4 9.Bb5+ Nc6 10.Nxc6 Qxd1+ *(10...bxc6 11.Bxc6+ Bd7 12.Bxa8 Qxa8 13.0-0 Nxe5 14.Nd5 0-0 15.Nxe7+ Kh8 16.Bf4 Be6 17.Qd6 Ng4 18.h3 Nf6 19.Be5 Rd8 20.Qa3 Ne4 21.Bxg7+ Kxg7 22.Qe3*

f5 23.Rad1 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Kf7 25.Nxf5 gxf5 26.Qh6 Qg8 27.b3 Qg6 28.Qxg6+ hxg6 29.c4 Nc3 30.Rd2 Ke7 31.Kf1 a5 32.Rc2 Ne4 33.Ke2 Nc5 34.Ke3 Kd6 35.Kf4 Bf7 36.h4 Ne6+ 37.Ke3 Ke5 38.g3 Nd4 39.Rd2 Nc6 40.Rd7 Be6 41.Rc7 Nb4 42.Rc5+ Kd6 43.Rxa5 Nc2+ 44.Kf4 Nd4 45.Kg5 Ne2 46.Kxg6 Nxg3 47.h5 Nxh5 48.Kxh5 f4 49.Kh4 1-0 (49) Yarebore (2821)-Korasnoch (2752) Blitz 2021*)* 11.Nxd1 0-0 12.Nxe7+ Kh8 13.Nxc8 Raxc8 14.Bd7 Rc7 15.Bxg4 1-0 (15) Arm (2867)-Qavor (2550) Blitz 2022]

[8...0-0 9.exf6 exf6 10.Be3 Re8 11.Qd2 Bh6 12.Nd1 f5 13.Kf2 f4 14.Bxf4 Qf6 15.Ne2 g5 16.Qc3 Qxc3 17.Ndxc3 gxf4 18.Nd5 Na6 19.Nf6+ Kf8 20.Nxe8 Kxe8 21.Nc3 Nb4 22.Bd3 Nxd3+ 23.cxd3 Be6 24.Rhe1 Bg7 25.Rad1 Bd4+ 26.Kf3 Rc8 27.Kxf4 Bxc3 28.bxc3 Rxc3 29.d4 Rc4 30.Ke5 Ke7 31.d5 f6# 0-1 (31) Jefferyx Challenge (2862)-Sina Iran (2769) Blitz 2021]

9.Bb5+ Kf8 10.e6

[10.0-0 Nc7 *(10...Bxe5 11.Bh6+ Kg8 12.Kh1 Nxc3 13.bxc3 Nc6 14.Nxc6 Bg4 15.Qxd8+* Normal 1-0 (15) Becauseimthebest (2811)-Canc3111 (2682) Blitz 2024*)* 11.Bc4 e6 12.Qf3 Qe7 13.Bg5 Qe8 14.Rad1 Bxe5 15.Bf6 Bxf6 16.Qxf6 Rg8 17.Ndb5 Nxb5 18.Rd8 Nd6 19.Ne4 Nd7 20.Rxe8+ 1-0 (20) Drflagstein (2846)-Ajedrezlapalma (2599) Blitz 2023]

10...a6 11.0-0 axb5 12.Rxf7+ Kg8 13.Nf5 gxf5 14.Qh5 Qb6+ 15.Kh1 Qxe6 16.Rxg7+ Kxg7 17.Bd2 Nf6 18.Qg5+ Kf7 19.Re1 Rg8 20.Qh4 Qc6 Normal 0-1 (20) Dmdonch (2870)-Gaius Baltar (2806) Blitz 2024

6...Bg4 7.Bb5+ Nbd7 8.Qd2 a6 9.Bd3 e5 10.Nde2 Bh6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Qe1 Qb6+ 13.Kh1 Rae8 14.Qh4 Bxe2 15.Nxe2 Bg7 16.f5 d5 17.Nc3 dxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Nf6 20.Bg5 Nxe4 21.Qxe4 f6 22.Be3 Qc6 23.Qxc6 bxc6 24.g4 h5 25.h3 hxg4 26.hxg4 gxf5 27.gxf5 Kf7 28.Kg2 Rh8 29.Rh1 Rxh1 30.Rxh1 Rd8 31.Kf3 Rd7 32.Ke4 Rd8 33.b4 Rd7 34.a4 Rd8 35.c4 Rb8 36.Rb1 Bf8 37.b5 axb5 38.axb5 cxb5 39.cxb5 Ke7 40.Kd5 Kd7 41.b6 Bd6 42.Ra1 Rd8 43.Ra7+ Ke8 44.Kc6 e4 45.b7 Be5 46.Ra8 Ke7 47.Rxd8 Kxd8 48.Bb6+ Ke7 49.Bc7 1-0 (49) Machgielis (2834)-Norolex (2825) Blitz 2022

6...a6 7.e5

[7.Be2 Bg7 8.Be3 0-0 9.0-0 Nc6 *(9...Nbd7 10.Bf3 Qc7 11.Nb3 Rb8 12.Qe2 b5 13.Rad1 Bb7 14.Rfe1 Rfc8 15.Rd2 Nb6 16.Na5 Ba8 17.a3 Na4 18.Nxa4 bxa4 19.b4 axb3 20.Nxb3 Nxe4 21.Bxe4 Bxe4 22.Bd4 d5 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Nd4 Qc5 25.Qf2 Qxa3 26.f5 Qc5 27.Rf1 Rb6 28.g4 gxf5 29.gxf5 Kh8 30.Re1 Rg8+ 31.Kf1 Qc4+ 32.Qe2 Qc3 33.Qe3 Qc7 34.Nf3 Rf6 35.Rf2 Rxf5 36.Qd4+ e5 37.Qe3 Qc4+ 38.Ree2 Rb8 39.Nd2 Qc8 40.Nxe4 Rb1+ 41.Kg2 dxe4 42.Qxe4 Rg5+ 43.Kf3 Qh3#* 0-1 (43) John Captain Price (2821)-Nadigraj (2805) Blitz 2022 *)* 10.Bf3 Na5 11.Qe2 Qc7 12.Rad1 Nc4 13.Bc1 b5 14.e5 dxe5 15.fxe5 1-0 (15) Dodop47 (2823)-Mapungubve (2623) Blitz 2022]

7...dxe5 8.fxe5 Nd5 9.Bc4 Nxc3 10.bxc3 Bg7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Qf3 e6 13.Ba3 Nd7 14.Bxf8 Nxe5 15.Qe2 Qxf8 16.Bxe6 Qc5 17.Bxc8 Rxc8

18.Kh1 Qxc3 19.Rad1 b5 20.Qf2 h6 21.Rd2 Kh7 22.Nf3 Ng4 23.Qe2 Ne3 24.Rd3 Nxf1 25.Rxc3 Rxc3 26.Qxf1 Rxc2 27.Qb1 Rb2 28.Qe4 Rxa2 29.h4 Ra4 30.Qe7 f5 31.h5 gxh5 32.Qf7 Ra1+ 33.Kh2 b4 34.Qxf5+ Kg8 35.Qe6+ Kh7 36.Ne5 Re1 37.Qg6+ Kg8 38.Nf7 b3 39.Nxh6+ Kh8 40.Nf7+ Kg8 41.Ng5 b2 42.Qf7+ Kh8 43.Qxh5+ Kg8 44.Qf7+ Kh8 45.Qh5+ Kg8 46.Qh7+ Kf8 47.Qf5+ Kg8 48.Qc8+ Bf8 49.Qc4+ Kh8 50.Qc3+ Bg7 51.Qc8+ Bf8 52.Qxf8# 1-0 (52) Arm (2829)-Alexander Utnasunov (2614) Blitz 2022

[3] **7.Nxc6** bxc6 8.e5 Nd5
[8...Nd7 9.exd6 *(9.Qf3 dxe5 10.Qxc6 Rb8 11.fxe5 Bb7 12.Qa4 Bg7 13.Bf4 Rc8 14.0-0-0 Bc6 15.Bb5 Qb6 16.Rhe1 Nc5 17.Bxc6+ Qxc6 18.Qxc6+ Rxc6 19.Nb5 Ne6 20.Nd4 Nxd4 21.Rxd4 0-0 22.c4 Rfc8 23.b3 Re6 24.Ree4 f6 25.exf6 Rxe4 26.Rxe4 Bxf6 27.Kc2 Kf7 28.b4 e5 29.Be3 Rc7 30.b5 Ke6 31.g4 h5 32.h3 hxg4 33.hxg4 Rb7 34.a4 Rh7 35.a5 Rd7 36.a6 Bd8 37.c5 Kd5 38.Kd3 Ke6+ 39.Kc4 Rc7 40.Bd4 Bf6 41.Re1 Bg7 42.Bc3 Bf8 43.Rxe5+ Kd7 44.c6+ Kd8 45.Ba5* 1-0 (45) Carlsen,M (2832)-Liu, Z (1996) chess.com INT 2024*)* 9...exd6 10.Bd3 *(10.Qd4 Qf6 11.Be3 Bg7 12.0-0-0 d5 13.Qxf6 Bxf6 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Rxd4 0-0 16.Be2 Re8 17.Bf3 Nc5 18.g3 Rb8 19.Na4 Ne6 20.Rd2 Ba6 21.Re1 Bb5 22.Nc3 Ba6 23.b3 Nc5 24.Rdd1 Kf8 25.Kd2 h5 26.a3 Rxe1 27.Rxe1 Re8 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.b4 Ne6 30.b5 Nd4 31.Bxd5 cxb5 32.Kd3 Nf5 33.Bc6+ Ke7 34.Bxb5 Bb7 35.Bc4 Nh6 36.Nd5+ Bxd5 37.Bxd5 Ng4 38.h4 Nf6 39.Bf3 Nd7 40.Kd4 Kd6 41.Bd5 f6 42.Bf7 Nf8 43.c4 Ke7 44.Bd5 Nh7 45.c5 g5 46.Be4 gxh4 47.gxh4 Nf8 48.Bf5 Kd8 49.Kd5 Kc7 50.c6 a6 51.a4* 1-0 (51) Originator (2817)-Sub18 (2586) Blitz 2023*)* 10...Be7 11.0-0 0-0 12.f5 *(12.Be3 Nf6 13.h3 c5 14.Bc4 Bb7 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.Bxd5 Rb8 17.b3 Bf6 18.Rb1 Re8 19.Bf2 Bxd5 20.Qxd5 Re2 21.Qd3 Re6 22.f5 gxf5 23.Qxf5 Be5 24.Bg3 Rf6 25.Qg5+ Rg6 26.Qxd8+ Rxd8 27.Bxe5 dxe5 28.Rbe1 f6 29.Rd1 Rd4 30.c3 Rxd1 31.Rxd1 Rg3 32.c4 Rg7 33.Rd6 Kf7 34.Rc6 Rg3 35.Rxc5 e4 36.Kf2 Rc3 37.g4 Ke6 38.Rh5 h6 39.Rxh6 Ke5 40.Rh5+ Kd4 41.Rd5#* 1-0 (41) Fantastic Power06 (2827)-Maguspowwow (2571) Blitz 2021*)* 12...d5 13.Bh6 Ne5 14.Bxf8 Bxf8 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Kh1 Qh4 17.Qe1 Qh5 18.Bf5 Bd6 19.Bxc8 Rxc8 20.Qe2 Qh4 21.g3 Qb4 22.Qe3 d4 0-1 (22) Dodop47 (2841)-Symbiote (2718) Blitz 2022]
[8...dxe5 9.Qxd8+ Kxd8 10.fxe5 Ng4 11.Bf4 Bg7 12.0-0-0+ Ke8 13.Nb5 f5 14.Nc7+ Kf7 15.Bc4+ e6 16.Nxa8 g5 17.Bxg5 Nf2 18.Bf4 Nxh1 19.Rxh1 Rd8 20.Rd1 Rxd1+ 21.Kxd1 1-0 (21) Arm (2818)-Vistagausta (2836) Blitz 2022]
9.Nxd5 cxd5 10.Qxd5 Rb8 11.Bb5+ Bd7 12.Bxd7+ Qxd7 13.0-0 Bg7 14.exd6 0-0 15.Rb1 exd6 16.b3 Rb5 17.Qd3 d5 18.c4 Ra5 19.a4 Rd8 20.Bd2 Ra6 21.cxd5 Rd6 22.Be1 Rxd5 23.Qf3 Rd3 24.Qe2 Re8 25.Qa2 Qd5 26.Qc2 h5 27.f5 gxf5 28.Kh1 h4 29.Kg1 h3 30.gxh3 Re6 31.Qc8+ Kh7

32.Qc4 Rg6+ 33.Bg3 Bd4+ 34.Rf2 Bxf2+ 35.Kxf2 Qf3+ 36.Kg1 Rxg3+ 37.hxg3 Qxg3+ 38.Kf1 Rf3+ 39.Ke2 Rf2+ 40.Kd1 Qg1+ 0-1 (40) Dodop47 (2869)-Niper13 (2635) Blitz 2022

7.Be2 Bg7 8.Be3 0-0 9.0-0

[9.Nb3 e5 10.Qd2 exf4 11.Bxf4 Re8 12.0-0-0 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Rxe4 14.Bxd6 Be6 15.Bf3 Ra4 16.Ba3 Qf6 17.c3 Rxa3 18.bxa3 Bh6 19.Qxh6 Qxc3+ 20.Kb1 Bf5+ 0-1 (20) Durarbayli (2841)-Tiger Nad (2788) Rapid 2022]

[9.Qd2

A) 9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 e5 *(10...Be6 11.0-0 Qa5 12.Rad1 Rfc8 13.f5 Bc4 14.fxg6 hxg6 15.Rf2 Bxe2 16.Qxe2 Qb4 17.a3 Qa5 18.Rdf1 e5 19.Be3 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Nxe4 21.Rxf7 Rc8 22.Qg4* 1-0 (22) Arm (2824)-Chicagous (2627) Blitz 2022 *)* 11.Be3 exf4 12.Bxf4 Re8 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Rxe4 16.Bf3 Qh4+ 17.g3 Rxe3+ 18.Qxe3 Qb4+ 19.c3 Qxb2 20.Qe8+ Kh7 21.0-0 Qxc3 22.Bg2 Qc5+ 23.Kh1 Bxa1 24.Rxf7+ Bg7 25.Rxg7+ Kxg7 26.Qe7+ ½ - ½ (2 6) A r m (2 8 2 6) - Brandonclarke (2820) Rapid 2023;

B) 9...e5 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.0-0-0 Qa5 12.Qxd6 exf4 13.Bd4 Rd8 14.Qxf4 Nh5 15.Qe3 Rxd4 16.Rxd4 Qb6 17.Rhd1 Be6 18.Bxh5 gxh5 19.Qd2 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 h4 21.e5 h3 22.gxh3 Kh8 23.Qf4 1-0 (23) Arm (2816)-Viberchess Bryoutube (2617) Blitz 2023;

C) 9...Ng4 10.Bxg4 Bxg4 11.h3 Bd7 12.0-0 *(12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.g4 Qa5 14.Kb1 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 e5 16.fxe5 dxe5 17.Be3 Be6 18.Nd5 Qxd2 19.Rxd2 Bxd5 20.Rxd5 Rc4 21.Rhd1 Rxe4 22.Bc5 f5 23.Bxf8 Bxf8 24.gxf5 gxf5 25.Rd7 f4 26.Rg1+ Kh8 27.Rd8* 1-0 (27) Fantastic Power06 (2811)-Benj49 (2656) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 14.Qxd4 Qa5 15.Nd5 Rfe8 16.f5 Bc6 17.b4 Qd8 18.Ne3 e5 19.fxe6 Rxe6 20.Ng4 Qg5 21.Nf6+ Kh8 22.Nxh7+ Qe5 23.Qxe5+ Rxe5 24.Rxf7 Rae8 25.Nf6 R8e7 26.Rxe7 Rxe7 27.Rd1 Re6 28.Rf1 Kg7 29.Ng4 Rxe4 30.c3 Re2 31.Rf2 Re1+ 32.Kh2 Rc1 33.Rd2 Rxc3 34.Rxd6 Rc2 35.Kg3 Rxa2 36.Kf4 Rxg2 37.Kg5 Kf7 38.Rf6+ Ke7 39.Rxg6 Rg3 40.Rg7+ Kd6 41.Rg6+ Kd5 42.Kh4 Rb3 43.Nf6+ Kc4 44.Rg4+ Kb5 45.Kg5 Rxh3 46.Rd4 Rb3 47.Kf5 Rxb4 48.Rd1 a5 49.Ke5 a4 50.Kd6 a3 51.Ra1 Ka4 52.Kc5 Rb5+ 53.Kc4 Rf5 54.Nh7 b5+ 55.Kc3 b4+ 56.Kc4 b3 57.Re1 Bb5+ 58.Kc3 Rf3+ 59.Re3 Rxe3+ 0-1 (59) Arm (2829)-Vistagausta (2824) Blitz 2022]

9...Bd7

[9...Qb6 10.Qd3 Ng4 11.Bxg4 Bxg4 12.Nb3 Qd8 13.h3 Bd7 14.Rad1 Rc8 15.Nd4 Re8 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Bd4 Bxd4+ 18.Qxd4 Qa5 19.f5 Qe5 20.Qxe5 dxe5 21.Kf2 gxf5 22.exf5 f6 23.g4 Kf7 24.Ke3 h5 25.Rg1 Rg8 26.Ne2 Rg5 27.gxh5 Rxh5 28.Rg3 Rxf5 29.Rdg1 Rh8 30.c4 a5 31.b3 a4 32.b4 Rh4 33.b5 Bd7 34.Rg7+ Ke6 35.R7g3 Rxc4 36.Rd1 Bxb5 37.Rg8 Rh4 38.Ng3 Rxh3 39.Kd2 Rf2+ 40.Ke3 Rg2 41.Kf3 Bc6+ 0-1 (41) Arm (2835)-Hokuspokusfidibus (2645) Blitz

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[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Bd7 11.Bf3 Bc6 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5 Nd7 14.c4 Bxd4+ 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Qxb6 Nxb6 17.b3 a5 18.Rfe1 Rfe8 19.Rab1 a4 20.Rec1 axb3 21.Rxb3 Nd7 22.Rxb7 Nc5 23.Rc7 Rxa2 24.Re1 Kf8 25.Re2 Rxe2 26.Bxe2 Ra8 27.Kf2 f5 28.g3 Ra2 29.Ke3 Ra3+ 30.Kf2 Ne4+ 31.Kg2 Ra2 32.Kf3 Nc3 33.Bd3 Rd2 34.Ke3 Rxh2 35.Kd4 Ne2+ 36.Bxe2 Rxe2 37.Ra7 Rd2+ 38.Ke3 Rc2 39.Ra4 Rc3+ 40.Kf2 Kf7 41.Kg2 Kf6 42.Kf2 h6 43.Kg2 g5 44.fxg5+ hxg5 45.Kf2 g4 46.Kg2 Rc2+ 47.Kg1 Ke5 48.Ra7 Rxc4 49.Rxe7+ Kxd5 50.Kf2 Rc2+ 51.Ke3 Rc3+ 52.Kf2 Rf3+ 53.Kg2 Kd4 54.Re1 d5 55.Rd1+ Ke4 56.Re1+ Re3 57.Rf1 d4 58.Rxf5 Kxf5 0-1 (58) Woodbury2023 (2815)-Vistagausta (2875) Blitz 2022]

10.Qd2
[10.Nb3 Rc8 11.g4 Na5 12.g5 Rxc3 13.Bd4 Rh3 14.gxf6 Bxf6 15.Bxf6 exf6 16.Qxd6 Nc6 17.Rad1 Qb6+ 18.Qc5 Rxb3 19.Qxb6 Rxb6 20.Rxd7 Rxb2 21.Bc4 b5 22.Bb3 a5 23.a4 bxa4 24.Bxa4 Nb4 25.Rf2 Re8 26.Bb3 Rxe4 27.Bxf7+ Kf8 28.Bb3 Rb1+ 29.Kg2 Ke8 30.Rfd2 Re2+ 31.Kf3 Rxd2 32.Rxd2 Ke7 33.Re2+ Kd7 34.Rd2+ Kc6 35.Re2 Kb5 36.Re8 Nc6 37.Bd5 Nd4+ 38.Kg2 Kc5 39.c4 a4 40.Rc8+ Kd6 41.Ra8 Ra1 42.Bg8 Kc5 43.Ra5+ Kb4 44.Ra8 a3 45.h4 a2 46.c5 Nb3 47.Rb8+ Kxc5 48.Bxb3 Rg1+ 49.Kxg1 a1Q+ 50.Kg2 Qb2+ 51.Kg1 Kd6 52.Rd8+ Kc7 53.Rd1 Qxb3 54.Rc1+ Kd6 55.Re1 Qg3+ 56.Kf1 Qxe1+ 57.Kxe1 Ke6 58.Kf2 Kf5 59.Kf3 h5 60.Kg3 Ke4 61.f5 gxf5 62.Kh3 f4 63.Kh2 Kf5 64.Kh3 f3 65.Kh2 f2 66.Kh3 1-0 (66) Dmitrijiiigm (2811)-Satlan (2777) Blitz 2023]

10...Rc8 11.Rad1 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bc6 13.Bf3 Re8 14.Rfe1 Qa5 15.e5 Nd5 16.Nxd5 1-0 (16) Arm (2866)-Kampan (2573) Blitz 2022

7.Be3 Bg7 8.h3 0-0 9.Qf3 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Qa5 11.a3 e5 12.fxe5 dxe5 13.Be3 Be6 14.Bd3 a6 15.0-0 Rac8 16.b4 Qd8 17.Na4 Nd7 18.Kh1 Rc6 19.Rad1 Qc7 20.c4 Bxc4 21.Bxc4 Rxc4 22.Nc5 Nb8 23.Qe2 Rc3 24.Qd2 Rxa3 25.Bg1 b6 26.Qb2 Rg3 27.Kh2 Rg5 28.Na4 Qb7 29.Be3 Rh5 30.Nc3 Nc6 31.g4 Rh6 32.Bg5 Nd4 33.Qd2 Qc8 34.Kg2 f5 35.Nd5 Rf7 36.Rc1 Qf8 37.Qa2 Ne6 38.h4 f4 39.Qxa6 Qd6 40.Bxh6 Bxh6 41.Qc8+ Nf8 42.Rc6 Qd7 43.Qxd7 Nxd7 44.Ra1 f3+ 45.Kf1 Bd2 46.Ra7 Nf8 47.Rxf7 Kxf7 48.Rf6+ Ke8 49.Rxb6 Kd7 50.g5 h6 51.gxh6 Bxh6 52.Rf6 Ne6 53.Rxg6 Bc1 54.b5 Nc5 55.b6 Ke8 56.h5 Nb7 57.Rc6 Bg5 58.Rc7 Na5 59.b7 Nxb7 60.Rxb7 Kf8 61.Kf2 Ke8 62.Rb6 Kf7 63.h6 Kg8 64.Kxf3 Kh7 65.Kg4 Bxh6 66.Kh5 Bf8 67.Rb7+ Bg7 68.Nf6+ Kh8 69.Kg6 Bxf6 70.Rb8+ Bd8 71.Rxd8# 1-0 (71) Reinforcementtrial (2821)-Frozenightengine (2619) Rapid 2023

[4] **9.h3** Bxf3 10.Qxf3 0-0 11.0-0 a6 12.Bd2 Rc8 13.Rae1 b5 14.Kh1 b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Nd4 17.Qe4 a5 18.f5 Qc7 19.f6 Bxf6 20.Rxf6 exf6 21.Qxd4 Rfe8 22.Rf1 f5 23.Bh6 Re5 24.Bf4 Ree8 25.Qf6 Qe7 26.Qd4 Rc5 27.Kh2 h5 28.Rf2 Qd8 29.Bd2 Qa8 30.c4 Qd8 31.Bh6 Re5 32.Bf4 Re8 33.b3 Kh7 34.Re2 Rxe2 35.Bxe2 Qe7

36.Bf3 h4 37.Qe3 Qxe3 38.Bxe3 Rc8 39.Bf4 Rd8 40.Bg5 Ra8 41.Bxh4 a4 42.Be7 axb3 43.axb3 Ra3 44.Bxd6 Rxb3 45.c5 Re3 46.c6 b3 47.Ba3 Rc3 48.d6 g5 49.d7 1-0 (49) Greyworm (2810)-Flysoohigh (2689) Blitz 2022

[5] **14.Rh3** Nc5 15.Qf2 Nc6 16.Bxc5 dxc5 17.e5 Qd4 18.Qh4 h6 19.Rf1 c4 20.Be4 Qd8 21.g4 Qxh4 22.Rxh4 g5 23.fxg5 hxg5 24.Rh5 Nxe5 25.Bh7+ Kh8 26.Ne4 Nxg4 27.Nxg5 Nh6 28.Rg1 Rad8 29.Be4 Rd2 30.Rf1 Kg8 31.Bh7+ Kh8 32.Be4 Kg8 33.b3 cxb3 34.Bh7+ Kh8 35.axb3 a5 36.Bd3 Kg8 37.Nf3 Rxd3 38.cxd3 Nf5 39.Nh4 Ne3 40.Rxa5 Nxf1 41.Rg5 Ne3 42.Ng2 Nxg2 43.Kxg2 Rd8 44.Rg3 Kf8 45.Rf3 Rd5 46.h4 Rb5 47.d4 Bxd4 48.Rd3 e5 49.Kf3 f5 50.Ke2 f4 51.Rf3 Kf7 52.h5 Kg7 53.Rh3 Kh6 54.Kd3 Rxb3+ 55.Ke4 Rxh3 0-1 (55) Sissy13Yokid (2897)-Nozdrachev,V (2841) Blitz 2021

[6] **6...a6** 7.Bg5
[7.Bb3 b5 8.f3 Bb7 9.Be3 Nbd7 10.Qd2 Rc8 11.0-0-0 Nb6 12.Kb1 Nfd7 13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qc8 16.Rhe1 Na4 17.Ne2 Ne5 18.Qg7 Rf8 19.f4 Nc4 20.Qd4 e5 21.fxe5 dxe5 22.Qd3 Nab2 23.Qg3 Nxd1 24.Rxd1 f6 25.Qh4 Rf7 26.Ng3 Rd7 27.Rxd7 Qxd7 28.Bxc4 bxc4 29.Qxf6 Qe7 30.Qb6 Qd7 31.Kb2 Qb5+ 32.Qxb5+ axb5 33.Ka3 Bc6 34.Kb4 Kd7 35.Kc5 Kc7 36.h4 h5 37.a3 Kd7 38.Nf1 Bxe4 39.Kxb5 Bxg2 40.Ne3 Be4 41.Kxc4 g5 42.hxg5 h4 43.Ng4 Ke6 44.a4 Bxc2 45.a5 Bd1 46.Nf2 Be2+ 47.Kc5 Kf5 48.c4 e4 49.Kd4 Bxc4 50.Nxe4 Ba6 51.Ke3 Bb7 52.g6 Bxe4 53.g7 Bd5 54.a6 Kg6 55.a7 Kxg7 56.Kd4 Ba8 57.Kc5 1-0 (57) Secret Mikalsen (2837)-Wuzhaobing (2695) Blitz 2024]
7...Nbd7 8.f3 b5 9.Bd5 Nxd5 10.Nxd5 Bb7 11.Qd2 Bxd5 12.exd5 Rc8 13.Nc6 Qb6 14.0-0-0 Rxc6 15.dxc6 Qxc6 16.Rhe1 h6 17.Bxe7 Bxe7 18.Qe2 Ne5 19.f4 0-0 20.fxe5 Bg5+ 21.Kb1 1-0 (21) Chelsea Fc Blue (2898)-Dridi Ali (2604) Blitz 2021

6...Nc6 7.h3 Qb6 8.Nb3 Bg7 9.Be3 Qc7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Re1 a6 12.a4 Ne5 13.Bf1 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Qxc4 15.a5 Bd7 16.Bd4 Bc6 17.Qe2 Qxe2 18.Rxe2 Rac8 19.e5 dxe5 20.Bxe5 Nd5 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Nxd5 Bxd5 23.Nd4 e6 24.Ra4 Rfe8 25.Rb4 e5 26.Nb3 f5 27.Rd2 Red8 28.c4 Bc6 29.Rc2 f4 30.Nc5 Kf6 31.Nxb7 Rb8 32.Nxd8 Rxd8 33.Rb6 Rd6 34.Rxa6 Ke7 35.Kh2 e4 36.b4 e3 37.fxe3 fxe3 38.b5 Rd2 39.Rxd2 exd2 40.Rxc6 d1Q 41.a6 Qd7 42.Kg1 g5 43.Kf1 h5 44.Ke2 Qd4 45.Rc7+ Kd6 46.Rc6+ Kd7 47.Rh6 Qxc4+ 48.Kf2 Qd4+ 49.Kg3 Qf4# 0-1 (49) Grind Neverstops (2813)-Petrpystota (2615) Blitz 2025

[7] **7.h3** 0-0 8.Bb3 Nc6 9.Be3 Bd7 10.0-0 Rc8
[10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Bc6 12.Qd3 Qa5 13.Rfe1 Rfd8 14.Rad1 Nd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Re8 18.Qd4+ Nf6 19.h4 Qb6 20.Qf4 h5 21.Rd3 Rac8 22.Rde3 Rc7 23.c3 Qc5 24.Qg5 b5 25.Rg3 a5 26.Rd1 Ne4 27.Qf4 Nxg3 28.Qxg3 a4 29.Bc2 Qc4 30.a3 Qg4 31.Qxg4 hxg4 32.g3 e5 33.dxe6 Rxe6 34.Kf1 Rce7 35.Bd3 Re5 36.Rd2 f5 37.Be2 R7e6 38.Rd4

Rxe2 0-1 (38) Vladimirovich9000 (2829)-Itsniclox (2652) Blitz 2023]

11.f4

[11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.Qd3 Nd7 13.Bd4 Nc5 14.Qe3 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Rad1 Rfd8 17.Rfe1 e6 18.Qf6 Qc7 19.Re3 b5 20.f3 a5 21.a3 Qa7 22.Qd4 Qe7 23.Re2 h5 24.Ba2 Qg5 25.b4 axb4 26.axb4 Nd7 27.Qe3 Qe7 28.Red2 Nf6 29.Bb3 Ba8 30.Ne2 Qf8 31.Nd4 d5 32.Qg5 Nh7 33.Qe5 Qxb4 34.Nxe6 fxe6 35.Qxe6+ Kg7 36.Qe5+ Nf6 37.exd5 Qd6 38.Qd4 Qc5 39.Kh2 Qxd4 40.Rxd4 Rd6 41.Kg3 Rc5 42.Kf4 Kf7 43.g4 hxg4 44.hxg4 Bxd5 45.Ke5 Ke7 46.Bxd5 g5 47.R4d2 b4 48.Rd4 Rxc2 49.Rxb4 Re2+ 50.Kf5 Rxd5+ 51.Rxd5 Nxd5 52.Rb7+ Kd6 53.Kxg5 Re5+ 54.Kh4 Re1 55.Kg5 Re5+ 56.Kh4 Re3 57.Rf7 Ke6 58.Rf5 Re1 59.Kg5 Rg1 60.f4 Kd6 61.Re5 Nxf4 62.Kxf4 Rf1+ 0-1 (62) Supertactic91 (2854)-Warrior211 (2843) Blitz 2024]

11...Na5

[11...a6 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.Qd3 Qa5 14.Rae1 Nd7 15.f5 Nc5 16.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 17.Kh1 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Bb5 19.c4 Bxc4 20.Bxc4 Qxc4 21.Qg3 Qc3 22.Qh4 Qe5 23.Re2 Kg7 24.Ref2 f6 25.Re2 Rc5 26.Qf2 Rfc8 27.fxg6 hxg6 28.Rd1 b5 29.Rd5 Qe6 30.Rd4 Qxa2 31.h4 Rxc2 32.Rxc2 Rxc2 33.Qg1 Qb2 34.Rd1 Qe5 35.Qe3 Qh5 36.Ra1 Qxh4+ 37.Kg1 Qg4 38.g3 Qh3 39.Qf3 Qh2+ 40.Kf1 Qd2 41.Rd1 Rc1 42.Rxc1 Qxc1+ 43.Kg2 Qc2+ 44.Kh3 a5 45.Qe3 Qc5 0-1 (45) Apodex64 (2823)-Lexus Rx,T (2647) Rapid 2023]

12.e5 Ne8 13.e6 Bc6 14.exf7+ Rxf7 15.Nxc6 Rxc6 16.Bxf7+ Kxf7 17.f5 gxf5 18.Rxf5+ Nf6 19.Qd5+ e6 20.Qxa5 b6 21.Rxf6+ Bxf6 22.Qh5+ Kg8 23.Ne4 Bxb2 24.Rf1 Rc7 25.Bg5 Qd7 26.Qg4 Qg7 27.Qxe6+ 1-0 (27) Ogniko (2911)-Gudini2 (2343) Rapid 2021

7.Bb3 0-0

[7...a6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Nbd7 10.Nd5 Nc5 11.Nxf6+ Bxf6 12.Bh6 Re8 13.c3 Nxb3 14.axb3 Bd7 15.b4 Bc6 16.f4 e5 17.Nxc6 bxc6 18.Qf3 exf4 19.Bxf4 Be5 20.Rad1 Qe7 21.Rf1 a5 22.Bxe5 dxe5 23.bxa5 Rxa5 24.Rd6 Rc8 25.Rfd1 Ra7 26.h3 Kg7 27.Kh2 Rcc7 28.b4 Rd7 29.Rxc6 Qg5 30.Rcd6 Rxd6 31.Rxd6 Rc7 32.b5 Qe7 33.Rd5 Qa3 34.Rxe5 Qxc3 35.Qxc3 Rxc3 36.Rd5 Kf6 37.Kg1 Rc4 38.b6 Rb4 39.Rd6+ Ke5 40.Rc6 Rxe4 41.Rc5+ Kd6 42.Rb5 Re8 43.b7 Rb8 44.Rb6+ Kc7 45.Rf6 Rxb7 46.Rxf7+ Kc6 47.Rxb7 Kxb7 48.Kf2 Kc6 49.Kf3 Kd6 50.Kf4 h6 51.g4 Ke6 52.h4 Kf6 53.g5+ hxg5+ 54.hxg5+ Ke6 55.Ke4 Kd6 56.Kd4 Ke6 57.Ke4 Kd6 58.Kd4 Ke6 59.Ke4 ½-½ (59) Matikoza (2844)-Prul1979 (2691) Blitz 2022]

[7...Nc6 8.Be3 Ng4 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Bd2 0-0 11.0-0 Ba6 12.Qxg4 1-0 (12) Niksss2023 (2841)-Gettingold72 (2717) Blitz 2024]

8.0-0 Nc6 9.Nf3

[9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Re1 Nd7 11.Be3 a5 12.Qd2 Re8 13.a4 Rb8 14.Rad1 Rb4 15.f3 Qc7 16.Na2 Rb8 17.Bd4 Bxd4+ 18.Qxd4 Qb6 19.Qxb6 Rxb6 20.Nc1 Ba6 21.f4 Nc5 22.Rd4 Reb8 23.Red1 Kg7 24.Kf2 f6 25.Ke3 h6 26.h4 R6b7 27.R1d2 Rb6 28.g4 R6b7 29.Rd1 Rb6 30.e5 d5 31.Re1

fxe5 32.fxe5 Rf8 33.Rf4 Rxf4 34.Kxf4 Rb4+ 35.Kg3 Nxa4 36.Bxa4 Rxa4 37.Nb3 Rb4 38.Nxa5 Rxb2 39.Nxc6 Rxc2 40.Nxe7 Rc3+ 41.Kf4 Rc4+ 42.Kg3 Rc3+ 43.Kf4 Rc4+ 44.Kf3 Rc3+ 45.Re3 d4 46.Rxc3 dxc3 47.Ke3 c2 48.Kd2 Be2 49.g5 hxg5 50.hxg5 Bd1 51.Nd5 Kf7 52.Nf4 Kg7 53.Kc1 Kf7 54.Kb2 Kg7 55.e6 Bg4 56.Kxc2 Bf5+ 57.Kc3 Kf8 58.Kd4 Ke7 59.Ke5 1-0 (59) Vaccaria2022 (2814)-Wuzhaobing (2673) Blitz 2023]

9...Bd7 10.h3 Rc8 11.Re1 a6

[11...Na5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Re8 14.c3 Nxb3 15.axb3 a6 16.Be3 Bf5 17.Qd2 Be4 18.Bb6 Qxb6 19.Rxe4 Qc7 20.Rae1 b5 21.Qe3 Bf6 22.g4 Kf8 23.h4 Qb7 24.h5 Qxd5 25.g5 Be5 26.Nxe5 dxe5 27.Rxe5 Qd6 28.h6 Rcd8 29.b4 Qd3 30.Qf4 Qd2 31.R1e3 Qd1+ 32.Kg2 Qd6 33.b3 Qc6+ 34.Rf3 f5 35.Rxf5+ Kg8 36.Qe5 1-0 (36) Carlsen,M (2831)-Pert,R (2412) chess.com INT 2024]

12.Bg5 b5 13.Qd2 Re8

[13...Na5 14.Rad1 Nxb3 15.cxb3 Be6 16.Nd4 Bd7 17.Nc2 Be6 18.Bh6 Qb6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Nd4 Bd7 21.Nd5 Nxd5 22.exd5 Rfe8 23.Qg5 f6 24.Qe3 Qb7 25.Qf3 Rc5 26.Ne6+ Bxe6 27.Rxe6 Qc7 28.h4 h5 29.Qe3 Rc2 30.Rb1 Qc5 31.Rxe7+ Rxe7 32.Qxe7+ Kh6 33.Qf8+ Kh7 34.Qf7+ Kh6 35.Qxf6 Qxd5 36.Qh8# 1-0 (36) Deacbogdan1 (2901)-Korosh86 (2624) Blitz 2024]

14.Rad1 Na5 15.e5 dxe5 16.Bxf6 1-0 (16) Vladimirovich9000 (2903)-Raptor,F (2501) Blitz 2024

7.Be3 0-0

[7...Ng4 8.Bb5+ Kf8 9.0-0 Be5 10.h3 Nxe3 11.fxe3 Kg7 12.Bc4 e6 13.Qd2 Rf8 14.Nf3 Nc6 15.Rad1 Qe7 16.Ne2 Bxb2 17.Ned4 Ne5 18.Bb3 Ba3 19.Qf2 Bc5 20.Qg3 f6 21.a4 Bd7 22.Kh1 Rae8 23.Nh4 Kh8 24.Rd2 Nf7 25.Nhf3 b6 26.Re2 a6 27.Nd2 b5 28.axb5 axb5 29.Qh4 Ne5 30.N4f3 Nc6 31.Qg3 Kg7 32.Rd1 Bc8 33.c3 Ne5 34.Nd4 Bd7 35.N2f3 Ra8 36.Rf1 Ra3 37.Nh4 Bxd4 38.exd4 Rxb3 39.dxe5 fxe5 40.Rd1 b4 41.Nf3 Rxc3 42.Rb2 b3 43.Rbd2 Ba4 44.Rxd6 Kg8 45.Qxe5 Qf6 46.Qa5 Be8 47.e5 Qf4 48.Qxc3 b2 49.Qxb2 Qg3 50.R6d3 Bc6 51.Qe2 Bb5 52.Rf1 Bxd3 53.Qxd3 g5 54.Qe4 Rf4 55.Qc6 g4 56.Qxe6+ Kg7 57.Qe7+ Kg8 58.Qg5+ Kh8 59.hxg4 Rxg4 60.Qf6+ Kg8 61.Ne1 Qxg2+ 62.Nxg2 Rh4+ 63.Nxh4 h5 64.Rg1+ 1-0 (64) May6Enexttime (2809)-Georgiev,K (2762) Blitz 2020]

8.Bb3

[8.Qe2 Nc6 9.0-0-0 Ng4 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bd2 a5 12.f4 a4 13.h3 Nf6 14.e5 Nd7 15.h4 d5 16.Bd3 Nc5 17.h5 Nxd3+ 18.cxd3 Qb6 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.g4 Be6 21.Qh2 h5 22.gxh5 Rfb8 23.Be1 d4 24.hxg6 a3 25.b3 dxc3 26.f5 Bxf5 27.Bf2 Qb4 28.Qh7+ Kf8 29.Rh4 c2 30.Rxb4 cxd1Q+ 31.Kxd1 Rxb4 32.Bc5 Rb7 33.Qh5 Bd7 34.Qf3+ Kg8 35.Qf7+ Kh8 36.e6 Be8 37.Qf5 Rd8 38.Qh5+ Kg8 39.Be3 Rxd3+ 40.Ke2 Rxe3+ 41.Kxe3 Rb5 42.Qh7+ Kf8 43.Qh1 Re5+ 44.Kd2 Rxe6 45.Qf3+ Kg8 46.b4 Rd6+ 47.Ke1 Bb2 48.Qe4 Bd7 49.Kf1 Re6 50.Qd3 Be8 51.Qc4 Bd7 52.b5 cxb5 53.Qd5 Kg7 54.Qxd7 Rf6+ 55.Ke2 Kxg6 56.Qxe7 Kf5 57.Qd7+ Ke5

58.Qxb5+ Ke6 59.Qc4+ Ke7 60.Ke3 Re6+ 61.Kf4 Rd6 62.Qc7+ Ke6 63.Qc4+ Kd7 64.Kf5 Rf6+ 65.Kg5 Rd6 66.Qb5+ Ke7 67.Qxb2 Ke6 68.Qb3+ Kd7 69.Qxa3 Rc6 70.Qb3 1-0 (70) Azumilover (2848)-Whiterabbit00735 (2691) Blitz 2022]

[8.0-0 Nc6 9.Bb3 Ng4 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bf4 a5 12.Bg3 Ne5 13.f4 Ng4 14.Qd2 Qb6+ 15.Kh1 Qe3 16.Qxe3 Nxe3 17.Rfe1 Ng4 18.h3 Nf6 19.e5 Nd7 20.e6 fxe6 21.Bxe6+ Kh8 22.Bxd7 Bxd7 23.Rxe7 Bf5 24.Rc7 Rfc8 25.Rxc8+ Rxc8 26.Rc1 Rb8 27.Na4 Re8 28.Nc3 d5 29.Re1 Rxe1+ 30.Bxe1 Bxc2 31.b3 d4 32.Na4 d3 33.Bxa5 Bd4 34.Bd2 Kg7 35.Kh2 Kf6 36.Kg3 h5 37.h4 Kf5 38.Nc3 Bxc3 39.Bxc3 Ke4 40.Bd2 c5 41.Kf2 Bb1 42.a3 Bc2 43.b4 c4 44.Bc3 Ba4 45.g3 Bc6 46.Ke1 Ke3 47.Kd1 Ba4+ 48.Kc1 Kf3 49.Be5 Ke3 50.Bc3 Kf3 51.Be5 Ke3 52.Bc3 ½-½ (52) Woodbury2023 (2810)-Vistagausta (2882) Blitz 2022]

8...Nc6 9.Qe2 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.f3 Ne5 12.h4

[12.g4 b5 13.g5 Nh5 14.Ncxb5 Bxb5 15.Nxb5 Qa5 16.Kb1 a6 17.Nd4 Qb4 18.a3 Qb8 19.f4 Nc6 20.Nxc6 Rxc6 21.f5 Rfc8 22.Rd2 a5 23.a4 Qb4 24.Rf1 Qxe4 25.fxg6 hxg6 26.Rxf7 Kh8 27.Rxg7 Nxg7 28.Rd4 Qh1+ 29.Ka2 Nf5 30.Qf2 e5 31.Rh4+ Kg7 32.Rh6 Qe4 33.Rh3 Rxc2 34.Bxc2 Rxc2 35.Qe1 Qxa4+ 36.Kb1 Qb3 37.Bc1 Rxc1+ 0-1 (37) Nozdrachev,V (2839)-Makeareason (2586) Blitz 2021]

12...Rxc3 13.bxc3 a5 14.a4 Qc7 15.Nb5 Bxb5 16.Qxb5 Rc8 17.Bd4 h5 18.Qb6 Qxb6 19.Bxb6 Nc6 20.Bd4 Nd7 21.Bd5 Nxd4 22.cxd4 Nb6 23.Bb3 Nc4 24.Rhe1 b5 25.axb5 Bh6+ 26.Kb1 Na3+ 27.Kb2 Nxb5 28.c4 Nc7 29.e5 Bg7 30.f4 Ne6 31.g3 a4 32.Ba2 dxe5 33.fxe5 Rd8 34.Kc3 g5 35.c5 gxh4 36.Bxe6 fxe6 37.gxh4 1-0 (37) Yarebore (2871)-Hungzhao (2738) Blitz 2021

[8] **8.Re1** Nc6 9.Nxc6

[9.Nb3 Bd7 10.Bg5 Rc8 11.Qd2 Ne5 12.Bf1 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.Rad1 b5 15.e5 b4 16.exf6 bxc3 17.Qd5 exf6 18.Qxc4 fxg5 19.bxc3 Be6 20.Qb4 Qc7 21.Nd4 Bxa2 22.Nb5 Qc8 23.Rxd6 a6 24.Nd4 Re8 25.Ra1 Bf8 26.Rc6 Bxb4 27.Rxc8 Rxc8 28.cxb4 Rc4 29.Rxa2 Rxd4 30.f3 Rxb4 31.Rxa6 Rc4 32.Ra2 h5 33.Kf2 g4 34.fxg4 Rxg4 35.c3 Rc4 36.Rc2 f5 37.Ke3 Kf7 38.Kd3 Rc8 39.c4 Ke6 40.Ra2 f4 41.Kd4 Kf5 42.c5 g5 43.Ra7 Rd8+ 44.Kc3 g4 45.c6 Rc8 46.c7 Ke4 47.Ra4+ Ke3 48.Rc4 f3 49.gxf3 gxf3 50.Rc6 f2 51.Re6+ Kf3 52.Rf6+ Kg2 53.Rg6+ Kxh2 54.Rf6 Kg2 55.Rg6+ Kf1 56.Rg7 h4 57.Kd2 h3 58.Rh7 h2 59.Rxh2 0-1 (59) Untilitisotherwise (2822)-Rimac C2 (2563) Rapid 2023]

9...bxc6 10.h3

[10.Bf4 Qa5 *(10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Qd2 Rb8 13.Rab1 Qa5 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Ng4 16.Qh4 Nxf2 17.h3 Qc5 18.Kh2 Qe5+ 19.Kg1 Rxb2 20.Rxb2 Qxc3 21.Rbb1 Qd4 22.Kh2 Qe5+ 23.Qg3 Qc5 24.Re2 d5 25.exd5 exd5 26.Qe3 Qd6+ 27.Qe5 Ne4 28.Qxd6 exd6 29.Rb7 h5 30.c4 h4 31.cxd5 cxd5 32.Rxa7 Rf1 33.Rb2 d4 34.Rb8+ Rf8 35.Rxf8+ Kxf8 36.Ra4* 1-0 (36) ekfj4cxjx8vkco0acjx2 (2825)-

Fey530 (2680) Blitz 2024) 11.Qd2 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.e5 Nh5 14.Bg5 ½-½ (14) ekfj4cxjx8vkco0acjx2 (2841)-Fey530 (2669) Blitz 2024]
10...Rb8 11.Bb3 a5 12.Be3 Qc7 13.Qd2 Be6 14.Rad1 Rb4 15.Bd4 c5 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 c4 19.c3 Rb6 20.Ba4 Rfb8 21.Rb1 Qc5 22.Bc6 a4 23.Bxa4 Qa5 24.Qc2 Ra6 25.b3 cxb3 26.Bxb3 Rc8 27.c4 Rb6 28.Qe2 Rc7 29.Rbd1 Kg7 30.Qf3 h5 31.g3 Qa3 32.Re3 Qc5 33.h4 Ra7 34.Rde1 Rbb7 35.Kg2 Rc7 36.g4 hxg4 37.Qxg4 Ra8 38.h5 Rh8 39.Rh3 Rcc8 40.hxg6 fxg6 41.Reh1 Qd4 42.Qf3 Rxh3 43.Rxh3 Rf8 44.Qe3 Qg4+ 45.Rg3 Qh5 46.Bc2 g5 47.Qf3 Qxf3+ 48.Rxf3 Bd4 49.Rxf8 Kxf8 50.Kf3 Kg7 51.a4 Kf6 52.Ke2 Ke5 53.f3 Bc5 54.Kd3 Kf4 55.Bd1 Ke5 56.a5 e6 57.a6 exd5 58.cxd5 Kxd5 59.f4 Ba7 60.Bf3+ Ke6 61.Bg4+ Kf6 62.f5 Ke5 63.Kc3 Kf6 64.Kc4 Ke5 65.Bh3 d5+ 66.Kd3 d4 67.Bg2 g4 68.f6 g3 69.f7 Bc5 70.f8Q Bxf8 71.a7 1-0 (71) Yarebore (2955)-Smallnoobhunter (2559) Blitz 2022

8.f3 Nc6 9.Be3 Bd7 10.Qd2 Rc8 11.Rfd1
[11.Bb3 Ne5 12.Rad1 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.b3 Rc8 15.Nce2 b5 16.Bh6 Qc7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.c3 Rfd8 19.Qe3 a5 20.Rd2 e5 21.Nf5+ Bxf5 22.exf5 d5 23.fxg6 hxg6 24.Qg5 Nh7 25.Qg3 f5 26.f4 e4 27.Nd4 Qb6 28.Qe3 Rd6 29.Rfd1 Nf6 30.h3 Kf7 31.Kf1 Qb7 32.Rc1 Rd7 33.Qe2 b4 34.c4 Rdc7 35.Rdc2 dxc4 36.Rxc4 Nd5 37.Qd2 Rxc4 38.bxc4 Nc3 39.Ne2 Rxc4 40.Qd8 Qc7 41.Qh8 Ke6 42.Nd4+ Kd5 43.Nb3 Qxf4+ 44.Ke1 Qe3+ 45.Kf1 Qf4+ 46.Ke1 Qe3+ 47.Kf1 Qf4+ ½-½ (47) Tackofall (2847)-Econpower (2665) Blitz 2024]
11...Nxd4 12.Bxf7+ Rxf7 13.Bxd4 a6 14.Kh1 Qa5 15.Qe2 Be6 16.e5 dxe5 17.Bxe5 Bc4 18.Qe1 b5 19.a3 Qb6 20.b3 Be6 21.Bd4 Qc6 22.a4 b4 23.Na2 a5 24.Rac1 Bh6 25.Rb1 Nd5 26.Qe4 Bf5 27.Qh4 Bg7 28.Bxg7 Rxg7 29.Rbc1 Ne3 30.Re1 Nxc2 31.Re5 Qd6 32.Rxa5 Qd2 33.Rg1 Rf7 34.Rb5 Ne3 35.Qe1 Qxa2 36.Qxe3 Rc3 37.Rb8+ Rf8 38.Qe5 Rxb8 39.Qxb8+ Rc8 40.Qxb4 Qe2 41.a5 Bd3 42.Qd4 Kf7 43.Qd5+ Kf8 44.Qd4 Kg8 45.h3 Ba6 46.Qd5+ e6 47.Qd6 Rf8 48.b4 Kg7 49.Qd4+ e5 50.Qb6 Rf6 51.Qc7+ Rf7 52.Qd6 Kh6 53.Qb6 Bd3 54.Qd8 e4 55.Qd5 Rf5 56.Qd4 exf3 57.g4 f2 58.gxf5 Be4+ 59.Kh2 f1N# 0-1 (59) Azumilover (2903)-Chess Lover2020 (2781) Blitz 2023

[9] **8...a6** 9.a4 Nc6 10.Be3 Bd7 11.Bb3 Rc8 12.Qe2 Na5 13.Qd3 Nxb3 14.Nxb3 Be6 15.Rfd1 Qc7 16.a5 Nd7 17.Nd4 Ne5 18.Qe2 Nc4 19.Bc1 Rfd8 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Nxa5 22.Bg5 Nc4 23.b3 Ne5 24.c4 Re8 25.Kh1 Nd7 26.Rac1 Nc5 27.Qe3 e5 28.dxe6 Bxd4 29.Qxd4 Nxb3 30.Qe3 Nxc1 31.e7 Qxc4 32.Bf6 Qe6 33.Qf3 h6 34.Qf4 Rxe7 35.Bd4 Nb3 36.Bb2 Kh7 37.Rd3 Nc5 38.Re3 Qd7 39.Qf6 Ne6 40.h4 h5 41.Rg3 Rg8 42.Rf3 d5 43.g3 d4 44.Rd3 Qd5+ 45.Kh2 Rc8 0-1 (45) Nindja64 (2814)-Dr Durkenstein (2722) Blitz 2021

[10] **9.Re1** Qb6
[9...a6 10.Bb3 Bd7 11.Nf3 Qa5 12.Bg5 Rac8 13.Qd2 Ne5 14.Nxe5 Qxe5 15.a4 Rxc3 16.Qxc3 Qxg5 17.e5 Nh5 18.Qf3 Bxe5 19.c3 Nf4

20.h4 Qxh4 21.g3 Qg5 22.Rxe5 dxe5 23.Qxb7 Bf5 24.Re1 Nd3 25.Re3 Nc5 26.Qb6 Nxb3 27.Qxb3 Qg4 28.Rxe5 Rd8 29.Re1 Qf3 30.Qc4 Rd1 31.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 32.Kg2 Qe1 33.f3 Qd2+ 34.Kg1 Qxb2 35.g4 Be6 36.Qxa6 Qxc3 37.Kf2 Qd2+ 38.Kg3 Qd6+ 39.Qxd6 exd6 40.a5 Kf8 41.f4 Ke7 42.Kh4 h6 43.g5 h5 44.a6 Bd5 45.a7 Ke6 46.f5+ Kxf5 47.a8Q Bxa8 48.Kg3 Kxg5 49.Kf2 f5 50.Ke3 f4+ 51.Kd4 h4 52.Kc4 h3 53.Kb5 h2 54.Kb6 h1Q 55.Kc7 Qc6+ 56.Kd8 d5 57.Ke7 d4 58.Kf8 d3 59.Kg7 d2 60.Kf8 d1Q 61.Ke7 Qdd7+ 62.Kf8 Qcc8# 0-1 (62) Seanser (2900)-Sanjaypune (2646) Blitz 2022]

10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bb3 Nd7 12.Bg5 Re8 13.Qf3 Ne5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Rad1 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.b3 Be6 18.Rd3 Qa5 19.Bd2 c5 20.Nd5 Qd8 21.Nf4 Qc8 22.Bc3 c4 23.Rde3 a5 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Rc3 a4 26.b4 Bd7 27.e5 dxe5 28.Rxe5 Qb8 29.Qe3 Qxb4 30.Nd5 Qd6 31.Rxc4 Be6 32.Rd4 Bxd5 33.Rdxd5 Qf6 34.g4 h6 35.a3 Rad8 36.c4 Rxd5 37.cxd5 Rd8 38.Kg2 g5 39.Qe4 Rd7 40.Rf5 Qd6 41.Qxa4 Rc7 42.Qd4+ f6 43.Rf3 Ra7 44.Re3 Ra5 45.Qe4 Ra7 46.Qf3 Rd7 47.Re6 Qc5 48.Qe4 Rc7 49.h4 Ra7 50.h5 Kf8 51.Qg6 Qxd5+ 52.Re4 Qf7 53.Qxh6+ Qg7 54.Qxg7+ Kxg7 55.Re3 Kf7 56.f4 Ra4 57.fxg5 Rxg4+ 58.Rg3 Rxg5 59.Rxg5 fxg5 60.a4 Ke6 61.a5 Kd6 62.a6 Kc7 63.h6 Kb6 64.h7 Kxa6 65.h8Q Kb6 66.Qg7 1-0 (66) Seanser (2920)-Quick Mate (2714) Blitz 2022

[11] **9...Nxd4** 10.Bxd4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nd5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qd4+ Nf6 16.Rad1 Qxd4 17.Rxd4 Rfd8 18.Rfd1 Rxd4 19.Rxd4 Kf7 20.Kf1 Rc8 21.Ke2 e5 22.Rb4 b6 23.a4 Ke6 24.a5 bxa5 25.Rb5 Rc6 26.Rxa5 a6 27.Ra4 Nd5 28.Nxd5 Kxd5 29.Kd3 h5 30.f3 Ke6 31.h4 Kf5 32.Re4 Rd6+ 33.Ke2 Rd4 34.Rxd4 exd4 35.Kd3 e5 36.g3 a5 37.Kc4 e4 38.Kxd4 exf3 39.Ke3 g5 40.hxg5 f2 41.Kxf2 Kxg5 42.Kg2 Kf5 43.Kh3 a4 44.Kh4 Kg6 45.c4 Kf6 46.Kxh5 Ke5 47.g4 Kd4 48.g5 a3 49.bxa3 Kxc4 50.g6 Kb3 51.g7 Kxa3 52.g8Q Kb2 53.Qc8 Kb3 54.Kh4 Kb2 55.Kg4 Kb3 56.Kf4 Kb4 57.Ke4 Kb3 58.Kd4 Kb2 59.Kd3 Kb1 60.Qc2+ 1-0 (60) Azumilover (2822)-Itsniclox (2648) Blitz 2023

[12] **11.Bf1** a6 12.a4 Qc7 13.Nb3 Na5 14.Nxa5 Qxa5 15.Qd2 Rxc3 16.Qxc3 Qxc3 17.bxc3 Nxe4 18.Bd4 Bc6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.a5 Kf6 21.Re3 e6 22.c4 Ke7 23.g3 Nc5 24.Bg2 Rc8 25.g4 Bxg2 26.Kxg2 Nd7 27.Rb3 Rc7 28.Rab1 Nc5 29.Rb6 g5 30.Kf3 h6 31.Ke3 Kd7 32.Rd1 Rc6 33.Rxc6 Kxc6 34.f4 Nd7 35.Rf1 f6 36.h4 gxf4+ 37.Rxf4 Kc5 38.Kd3 Kb4 39.Kd2 Kxa5 40.Rd4 Ne5 41.Kc3 Nf7 42.Rf4 f5 43.gxf5 exf5 44.Rxf5+ Ne5 45.Rh5 Kb6 46.Rxh6 Kc5 47.Rh7 1-0 (47) Cutemouse83 (2844)-Hungzhao (2669) Blitz 2021

[13] **14.Nd5** a5 15.Nxc6 Rxc6 16.Ba4 Nxe4 17.Qd3 Nc5 18.Bxc5 Rxc5 19.Nxe7+ Kh8 20.Qxd6 1-0 (20) Yarebore (2959)-Nozdrachev,V (2869) Blitz 2022

[14] **6...Nc6** 7.0-0 Bg7 8.Nb3 a5 9.a4 Be6 10.Bg5 Bxb3 11.cxb3 Nb4

12.Bb5+ Nc6 13.Qe2 0-0 14.Rad1 h6 15.Be3 e6 16.f4 d5 17.e5 Nd7 18.Kh1 Qe7 19.Qg4 Rac8 20.Rfe1 Rfd8 21.h3 Nc5 22.Bf2 Nxb3 23.Bb6 Re8 24.Qf3 Nc5 25.g4 Nd7 26.Bf2 g5 27.Nxd5 exd5 28.Qxd5 Rcd8 29.Bxc6 bxc6 30.Qxc6 gxf4 31.e6 fxe6 32.Rd6 Ne5 33.Qa6 Qxd6 0-1 (33) Kontrajako (2811)-Niclox (2687) Blitz 2021

15 **7.Nb3** Nc6
[7...a5 8.0-0 a4 9.Nd2 a3 10.b3 0-0 11.Rb1 Nc6 12.Nc4 Be6 13.Nxa3 Nb4 14.Bb2 Qc8 15.Ra1 Qc5 16.Qc1 Rfc8 17.Nab5 Bd7 18.a3 Nc6 19.Na4 1-0 (19) Pap,G (2881)-Klimenko Sergey Im (2396) Blitz 2024]
8.Be3 a6 9.Nd5 Nxd5 10.exd5 Nb8 11.Bd4 0-0 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.Qd4+ f6 14.0-0 Nd7 15.Rfe1 Ne5 16.f4 Nf7 17.Qe3 Re8 18.Nd4 Nh6 19.Bd3 Bd7 20.h3 Qa5 21.Be4 Qc5 22.c3 Rac8 23.a4 Nf5 24.Bxf5 Bxf5 25.Qf3 Bd7 26.a5 Rb8 27.b4 Qc7 28.Re3 Kf7 29.Rae1 b6 30.Qe2 Bb5 31.axb6 Rxb6 32.Qf3 Bc4 33.f5 Bb5 34.h4 Bd7 35.fxg6+ hxg6 36.h5 g5 37.Qe4 Bc8 38.Qg6+ Kf8 39.Ne6+ Bxe6 40.dxe6 1-0 (40) Afanoffun (2898)-Gambitssharpsother11 (2430) Rapid 2024

7.h4 0-0
[7...h5 8.Bg5 Nc6 9.Nb3 a5 *(9...Be6 10.Qd2 a6 11.f4 b5 12.Bf3 Rc8 13.0-0-0 0-0 14.f5 Bxb3 15.axb3 Ne5 16.Kb1 Qc7 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nd5 Qc5 19.Nxf6+ exf6 20.c3 Rfd8 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.Qh6 b4 23.Rd5 Qc7 24.c4 Qg7 25.Qd2 a5 26.Rxd6 Qc7 27.Rd5 Rxd5 28.Qxd5+ Kg7 29.Rd1 a4 30.bxa4 Qxc4 31.Qxc4 Rxc4 32.a5 b3 33.Rc1 Ra4 34.Rc5 Nc4 35.Bd1 Nd2+ 36.Kc1 Nxe4 37.Rc7+ Kh6 38.Bxb3 Rxa5 39.Rc6 g5 40.hxg5+ Kxg5 41.Bc2 Ra1+ 42.Bb1 Nd2 43.Kxd2 Rxb1 44.Kc2 Rg1 45.b4 Rxg2+ 46.Kc3 Rg3+ 47.Kb2 Re3 48.b5 h4 49.Rc8 Re5 50.Rg8+ Kf4 51.Rb8 h3 52.b6 h2 53.Rh8 Kg3 54.Rg8+ Rg5 55.Rxg5+ fxg5 56.b7 h1Q 57.b8Q+ Kf2 58.Qb6+ Kg3 59.Qd6+ Kg2 60.Qd5+ Kh2 61.Qe5+ Kg1 62.Qe3+ Kh2 63.Qe5+ Kg1 64.Qxg5+ Qg2+ 65.Qxg2+ Kxg2 ½-½ (65) Elda64 (2815)-Vistagausta (2948) Blitz 2022)* 10.a4 0-0 11.Qd2 Be6 12.Bh6 Qb6 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Bb5 Bxb3 15.cxb3 Nd4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Nxb5 18.axb5 Qxb5 19.Rh3 Rfc8 20.Rc3 Rxc3 21.Qxc3+ Kg8 22.Qc4 Qd7 23.b4 Rc8 24.Qd4 axb4 25.Qxb4 Qf5 26.Qd4 f6 27.Kf1 Qe5 28.Qd3 Kf7 29.Re1 Qxb2 30.Qh3 f5 31.Qe3 Qf6 32.Qh6 Kg8 33.g3 Ra8 34.Re6 Qa1+ 35.Kg2 Kf7 36.Qh7+ 1-0 (36) Tayka (2838)-Theredking89 (2731) Blitz 2021]
8.h5 Nc6 9.hxg6 hxg6 10.Be3
[10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Rxh6 Kg7 13.Qd2 Rh8 14.Rxh8 Qxh8 15.0-0-0 Be6 16.f4 Qh2 17.Bf3 Rb8 18.b3 a5 19.Kb1 Rb4 20.f5 Bc8 21.Qe3 gxf5 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Qxe7 d5 24.Ne2 Bg6 25.Nd4 Qh4 26.g4 Rxd4 27.Rxd4 Qf2 28.Qc5 Qxf3 29.Qxc6 Ne4 30.Kb2 Qe3 31.Rxd5 a4 32.bxa4 Qe2 33.Rb5 Qxg4 34.a5 Kh6 35.a6 Nd2 36.a7 Nc4+ 37.Kc3 Ne5 38.Rxe5 Qg3+ 39.Kd4 Qf2+ 40.Kd5 Qxa7 41.Qc5 Kg7 42.Qxa7 1-0 (42) Molt7N (2816)-Loin Sn (2817) Blitz 2022]

10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Qa5 12.Kf1 Be6 13.Qd3 Rfc8 14.Rd1 Rc7 15.Qg3 Rac8 16.e5 dxe5 17.Bxe5 Rc5 18.Bd4 Rf5 19.Kg1 Qb4 20.b3 Nh5 21.Bxh5 Bxd4 22.Bxg6 Bxf2+ 0-1 (22) Eyesless18 (2876)-Muisback (3047) Blitz 2024

7.g4 Nc6 8.Be3 h5 9.gxh5 Nxh5 10.Qd2 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Bxd4 12.Qxd4 Nf6 13.0-0-0 Be6 14.f4 Qb6 15.Qxb6 axb6 16.a3 Rh4 17.Rdf1 Rc8 18.Bd3 Bc4 19.Kd2 d5 20.e5 Nh5 21.Ne2 Rh3 22.Rf2 Ng7 23.Nd4 Nh5 24.Rg1 Rh4 25.Ne2 Bxd3 26.cxd3 Rc5 27.b4 Rc8 28.a4 b5 29.Ra1 bxa4 30.Rxa4 d4 31.b5 Rc5 32.Rb4 Kd7 33.Rxd4+ Kc7 34.Rb4 Kb6 35.Nc3 g5 36.Na4+ Ka5 37.Nxc5 Kxb4 38.Nxb7 Kxb5 39.f5 Nf4 40.f6 exf6 41.Nd6+ Kc6 42.Nxf7 Rh3 43.exf6 Rxd3+ 44.Kc2 Rd5 45.Nxg5 Rc5+ 46.Kd2 Rd5+ 47.Ke3 Nd3 48.f7 1-0 (48) ekfj4cxjx8vkco0acjx2 (2823)-Frutek (2639) Blitz 2024

[16] **7...a6** 8.Re1

[8.a4 0-0 9.a5 Nbd7 10.Be3 Nc5 11.f3 Bd7 12.Qd2 Rc8 13.Ra3 Ne6 14.Nxe6 Bxe6 15.Bd4 Qd7 16.Na4 Rc6 17.Nb6 Qc7 18.Rc1 Nd7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Nd5 Qd8 21.c4 Bxd5 22.exd5 Rc8 23.b4 Kg8 24.Bf1 b6 25.axb6 Qxb6+ 26.Kh1 Rb8 27.Ra4 Rfc8 28.g3 a5 29.bxa5 Qa7 30.Ra3 Rc5 31.Re1 Ne5 32.Qd4 Ra8 33.a6 Rc7 34.Qxa7 Rcxa7 35.f4 Nd7 36.Rxe7 Nc5 37.Rxa7 Rxa7 38.Kg1 Rxa6 39.Rxa6 Nxa6 40.Kf2 Nc5 41.Ke3 Kf8 42.f5 Ke7 43.Kf4 Kf6 44.fxg6 fxg6 45.h4 h6 46.Be2 g5+ 47.Kg4 Kg6 48.hxg5 hxg5 49.Bd1 Kf6 50.Bc2 Nd7 51.Kh5 Ne5 52.Bb3 Nd3 53.Bd1 Nc5 54.Bc2 Nb7 55.Kh6 Nd8 56.Kh7 Nf7 57.Kg8 Ne5 58.Bb3 Nd7 59.Ba4 Nc5 60.Bc2 Nb7 61.Kf8 Na5 62.Bd3 Nb3 63.Ke8 Ke5 64.Be2 Nd4 65.Bd1 Nf5 66.g4 Ne3 67.Be2 Nc2 68.Kd7 Nd4 69.Bd1 1-0 (69) Chessboomer1957 (2866)-Loin Sn (2778) Blitz 2022]

8...b5 9.a4 b4 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 0-0 12.Bf3 Re8 13.a5 Bb7 14.Ra4 Nd7 15.Rxb4 Qc7 16.c3 Rab8 17.Nc6 Bxc6 18.dxc6 Ne5 19.Rb7 Rxb7 20.cxb7 Nxf3+ 21.Qxf3 Rb8 22.Qe2 Rxb7 23.Qxa6 Ra7 24.Qb6 d5 25.Be3 Qxb6 26.Bxb6 Rb7 27.Ra1 Be5 28.a6 Rxb6 29.a7 Rxb2 30.a8Q+ Kg7 31.Qxd5 Bxc3 32.Rf1 Bf6 33.g3 h5 34.h4 Rb4 35.Qd3 Rd4 36.Qe2 Rd6 37.Rd1 Re6 38.Qc4 Rb6 39.Rd8 Rb1+ 40.Kg2 Rb2 41.Qc8 Kh7 42.Rf8 1-0 (42) Winx,M (2913)-Guary1 (2834) Blitz 2025

[17] **8.Bg5** Nc6 9.Nb3 Bd7

[9...Be6 10.Qd2 *(10.f4 a5 11.f5 Bd7 12.a4 Ne5 13.Kh1 Rc8 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nd5 Bg7 16.c3 Bc6 17.Nd4 Bxd5 18.exd5 Rc5 19.Qb3 Qc8 20.Rf2 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Rxc4 22.Nb5 gxf5 23.Raf1 Rh4 24.Rxf5 Qc4 25.Qxc4 Rxc4 26.b3 Re4 27.R5f4 Re3 28.R4f3 Re2 29.c4 Be5 30.g3 f6 31.Nc7 Kf7 32.Ne6 Rg8 33.R1f2 Re1+ 34.Kg2 Rg4 35.Kh3 Rge4 36.Ng5+ Kg6 37.Nxe4 Rxe4 38.Rd3 h5 39.Rff3 Re2 40.Rfe3 Rb2 41.Rf3 Kg5 42.Rf1 Kg6 43.Rdf3 Kg5 44.Rg1 Rc2 45.Rg2 Rc1 46.Re2 Rd1 47.Kg2 Rb1 48.h4+ Kg6 49.Re4 Rb2+ 50.Kh3 Rb1 51.g4 Rb2 52.gxh5+ Kxh5 53.Rf5+ Kg6 54.Rf1 Rxb3+ 55.Kg2 Rb2+ 56.Rf2*

Rb3 57.Rg4+ Kf7 58.h5 1-0 (58) Fight Master13 (2838)-Quick Mate (2675) Blitz 2021*)* 10...Na5 11.Rfd1 Nc4 12.Bxc4 Bxc4 13.Bh6 Qb6 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qd4 Qxd4 16.Rxd4 Rfc8 17.Na5 Ba6 18.f3 b6 19.Nb3 Bc4 20.Rd2 Nd7 21.Nd4 Ne5 22.Nd1 Ba6 23.b3 b5 24.c3 Rab8 25.a4 b4 26.c4 Bb7 27.Ne3 a5 28.Re1 Nd7 29.Nd5 Kf8 30.Kf2 Nc5 31.Re3 e6 32.Nb6 Rd8 33.Nb5 Bc6 34.Nxd6 Rxb6 35.e5 Ke7 0-1 (35) Rosagasa (2890)-Alexandr Khlebovich (2786) Blitz 2022]

[9...a5 10.a4 Be6 11.Qd2 Rc8 12.Rad1 Nb4 13.Nd4 Bc4 14.Rfe1 Qb6 *(14...Rc5 15.Be3 Bxe2 16.Ndxe2 Rc4 17.e5 Ng4 18.exd6 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 exd6 20.Rd2 Re8 21.Qf3 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Nc6 23.Ra1 Qh4 24.g3 Qe7 25.Nf4 Ne5 26.Qe3 Qg5 27.Kg2 h5 28.h4 Qg4 29.Nd5 Re6 30.f3 Qf5 31.Rf1 Rxa4 32.Qh6 Ra1 33.Rxa1 Qxf3+ 34.Kh2 Ng4+* 0-1 (34) Gogotaniye (2847)-Elbece (2752) Blitz 2023*)* 15.Be3 Qc7 16.h3 Rfe8 17.Rc1 Qb8 18.Ndb5 d5 19.Ba7 Qa8 20.e5 Ne4 21.Nxe4 dxe4 22.Bd4 Red8 23.Qe3 Bd5 24.c3 Nc6 25.Bb6 Rd7 26.Nc7 Rcxc7 27.Bxc7 Rxc7 28.Rcd1 Be6 29.Qxe4 Nxe5 30.Bb5 h5 31.Qf4 Qc8 32.Rxe5 Bxe5 33.Qxe5 Rc5 34.Qe3 Qc7 35.Rd4 Re5 36.Qd2 Kg7 37.b4 b6 38.Rd8 axb4 39.cxb4 Re4 40.Rd4 Qe5 41.Rxe4 Qxe4 42.a5 Qb1+ 43.Bf1 bxa5 44.bxa5 Qa1 45.Qb4 Bf5 46.Qd2 Bc8 47.Kh2 Qxf1 48.Qc3+ f6 49.Qxc8 Qxf2 50.Qc7 Kf7 51.a6 Qa2 52.a7 g5 53.Qb8 g4 54.a8Q g3+ 55.Kxg3 1-0 (55) Charles Ingalls (2870)-Yakamuzosan (2711) Blitz 2023]

[9...h6 10.Be3 a6 11.Qd2 Kh7 12.Rfd1 Ng4 13.Bxg4 Bxg4 14.f3 Be6 15.Nd4 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 17.Qxd4 Rc8 18.Rd2 Rc4 19.Qe3 Qc7 20.Rc1 Qa5 21.a3 Rfc8 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.exd5 R8c7 24.c3 Qc5 25.Re1 Qxe3+ 26.Rxe3 Kg7 27.Kf2 b5 28.Rdd3 a5 29.b3 R4c5 30.Ke2 a4 31.b4 Rc4 32.Kd2 Kf6 33.g3 g5 34.Re2 h5 35.Ree3 h4 36.g4 Rf4 37.h3 Kg7 38.Re2 Kf8 39.Ke3 Rcc4 40.Kf2 f5 41.Rde3 fxg4 42.hxg4 Rf7 43.Kg2 Rcf4 44.Rd3 Ke8 45.Re6 Kd7 46.Rg6 h3+ 47.Kg3 h2 48.Rh6 Rc4 49.Rxh2 Rf8 50.Re2 Rfc8 51.Ree3 e5 52.dxe6+ Ke7 53.Rd5 Rxc3 54.Rxc3 Rxc3 55.Rxb5 Rxa3 56.Rxg5 Rb3 57.Ra5 Rxb4 58.f4 Kxe6 59.g5 d5 60.Kg4 d4 61.f5+ Kd6 62.Kf4 d3+ 63.Ke3 Rg4 64.g6 Rg3+ 65.Kd2 a3 66.Rxa3 Rg2+ 67.Kc3 Rg3 68.Ra5 Ke7 69.Kd2 Kf6 70.Rd5 Rg5 71.Kxd3 Rg3+ 72.Ke4 Rg4+ 73.Kf3 Rg1 74.Kf4 Rf1+ 75.Ke3 Re1+ 76.Kf2 Ra1 77.Kf3 Ra2 78.Kg4 Ra5 79.Rxa5 Kg7 80.Ra6 Kh6 81.Kf4 Kg7 82.Kg5 Kh8 83.f6 Kg8 84.Ra8# 1-0 (84) Rosagasa (2865)-Smurf42 (2747) Blitz 2022]

10.Kh1 Rc8 11.f4 a6 12.a4 Be6 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Nb8 16.c4 e6 17.dxe6 fxe6 18.Qd3 Qd7 19.Nd2 d5 20.b3 Nc6 21.Rbd1 Nb4 22.Qh3 Qf7 23.Nf3 Ne4 24.Bh4 Rce8 25.Ng5 Nxg5 26.Bxg5 d4 27.Bf3 Nc2 28.Rd2 Ne3 29.Rg1 Qc7 30.Rd3 e5 31.fxe5 Qxe5 32.Bh4 Qe7?? 1-0 (32) Mueller,W (2965)-Schuster, P (2405) BdF 1997

[18] **8...a6** 9.a4 b6 10.Bf3 Bb7 11.e5

Bxf3 12.Qxf3 dxe5 13.Qxa8 exd4 14.Ne4 Nxe4 15.Qxe4 e5 16.Ra3 f5 17.Qb7 Rf7 18.Qa8 Bf6 19.Rb3 Kg7 20.Bd2 e4 21.Bf4 Nd7 22.Qxd8 Bxd8 23.Rb4 Bf6 24.Rc4 Nc5 25.a5 Ne6 26.Bd2 bxa5 27.Bxa5 Nf4 28.Rc7 d3 29.Rxf7+ Kxf7 30.cxd3 Nxd3 31.Ra1 Bxb2 32.Ra2 Bd4 33.Kf1 f4 34.Ra4 Bxf2 35.Rxe4 Be3 36.Ke2 Nc5 37.Rc4 Ne6 38.Bd2 Bxd2 39.Kxd2 g5 40.Rc6 g4 41.Rxa6 h5 42.Kd3 Nc5+ 43.Kd4 Nxa6 44.Ke4 Kg6 45.Kxf4 Nc5 46.h3 Ne6+ 47.Kg3 Kg5 48.hxg4 hxg4 49.Kf2 Kf4 50.g3+ Ke4 51.Ke2 Nd4+ 52.Kf2 Kd3 0-1 (52) Shahinlorpari (2811)-Logan (2701) Blitz 2021

[19] **9.Be3** Bd7
[9...d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nxd5 Qxd5 12.Bf3 Qc4 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Qe2 Qxe2 15.Rxe2 Bxb2 16.Rb1 Bf6 17.Bxc6 Ba6 18.Bxa8 Bxe2 19.Be4 a6 20.f3 Rc8 21.Rb6 Bb5 22.Kf2 h5 23.g3 Kg7 24.h3 Rc3 25.g4 Bh4+ 0-1 (25) Ooopscheck (2873)-Yakamuzosan (2701) Blitz 2023]
10.Nxc6
[10.Qd2 Rc8 11.f3 Re8 12.Bf1 a6 13.a4 Ne5 14.a5 Bc6 15.Nxc6 Rxc6 16.Nd5 Qc8 17.c3 Nfd7 18.Bd4 Nc5 19.Qd1 e6 20.Nb6 Qc7 21.b4 Ncd7 22.b5 Rxc3 23.Bxc3 Qxc3 24.bxa6 bxa6 25.Kh1 Nc5 26.Ra2 Ned3 27.Bxd3 Nxd3 28.Rf1 Bd4 29.Rd2 Nb2 30.Qc2 Qe3 31.Re2 Qg5 32.Qd2 Qf6 33.e5 dxe5 34.Qc2 h5 35.Re4 Qf5 36.Rb1 Rb8 37.Rxb2 Bxb2 38.Qxb2 Rd8 39.h3 Rd1+ 40.Kh2 Qg5 41.Nc4 h4 42.Qf2 Qc1 43.Qxh4 Rh1+ 44.Kg3 f5 45.Qd8+ Kg7 46.Qe7+ Kh6 47.Rh4# 1-0 (47) Ooopscheck (2906)-Smurf42 (2699) Blitz 2021]
10...Bxc6 11.f3 a6 12.a4 Rc8 13.Qd2
[13.a5 d5 14.e5 Nd7 15.f4 e6 16.Bf1 g5 17.Bd3 f5 18.exf6 Bxf6 19.fxg5 Bg7 20.Qh5 1-0 (20) Jjosujjosu (2863)-Chessegg (2595) Blitz 2023]
13...Nd7 14.a5 Qc7 15.Bf1 Rfd8 16.Ra2 Ne5 17.Bb6 Qb8 18.Bxd8 Rxd8 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Qc7 21.c3 h5 22.Qf2 Bf6 23.Qb6 Qd7 24.Re4 Rc8 25.Qe3 Kg7 26.c4 Qf5 27.b3 h4 28.h3 g5 29.Bd3 Qd7 30.Rf2 Ng6 31.f4 gxf4 32.Rexf4 Nxf4 33.Rxf4 e5 34.dxe6 Qxe6 35.Re4 Be5 36.Rxh4 Rh8 37.Rg4+ Kf8 38.Qf2 Qf6 39.Qxf6 Bxf6 40.Be4 Bc3 41.Bxb7 Bxa5 42.Bxa6 Bb4 43.Bb7 Rh6 44.Bd5 Rf6 45.h4 Bc5+ 46.Kh2 Rf1 47.Re4 Rb1 48.Rf4 Bg1+ 49.Kh3 Rxb3+ 50.g3 Kg7 51.Rxf7+ Kg6 52.Rf3 1-0 (52) Cutemouse83 (2945)-Cxcx83 (2698) Blitz 2025

[20] **9...Bd7** 10.Bf1
[10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 Ne5 12.Qd2 Kh7 13.f3 a6 14.a4 Rc8 15.a5 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Bd4 Be6 18.Na4 Qc7 19.Rec1 Rc6 20.Nb6 h5 21.Be3 h4 22.Nd4 h3 23.Nxc6 bxc6 24.g3 d5 25.Bf4 Qb7 26.e5 Nh5 27.Re1 Nxf4 28.Qxf4 c5 29.c3 d4 30.cxd4 cxd4 31.Qe4 Qc7 32.Rac1 Qd8 33.Red1 Qb8 34.f4 Rd8 35.Rxd4 Rxd4 36.Qxd4 Qb7 37.Qf2 f6 38.exf6 Bxf6 39.Rd1 Bg4 40.Rd2 Qe4 41.Nd7 Bg7 42.Ne5 Bxe5 43.fxe5 Qxe5 44.Qf7+ Kh6 45.Qf4+ 1-0 (45) Herushkanamura (2902)-Loin Sn (2772) Blitz 2022]
10...Rc8 11.Nd5
[11.Bg5 a6 12.a4 Ne5 13.Nd5 Nxd5 0-1 (13) Winx,M (2938)-Loin Sn (2966) Blitz 2025]

11...Ne5 12.c3 Nxd5 13.exd5 a5 14.a4 Bg4 15.f3 Bd7 16.Be3 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Nd2 Rc8 19.Ne4 b5 20.axb5 Bxb5 21.Bd4 Bxd4+ 22.Qxd4 Rc4 23.Qa7 a4 24.Nd2 Rc7 25.Qb6 Qb8 26.Qd4 Qa7 27.Qxa7 Rxa7 28.Re4 Rb8 29.Rb4 Rab7 30.Kf2 Bd7 31.Rxb7 Rxb7 32.Ra2 Rb5 33.c4 Rc5 34.Ke3 f5 35.Kd4 Kf7 36.Nb1 e6 37.dxe6+ Kxe6 38.Nc3 Ra5 39.b4 Ra8 40.Ra3 Rb8 41.b5 Be8 42.Rxa4 Bf7 43.Ra7 Kf6 44.Nd5+ Kg7 45.Rd7 Kf8 46.Rxd6 Be8 47.Rf6+ Bf7 48.Ra6 Be8 49.b6 Bc6 50.Kc5 Bb7 51.Ra7 Ke8 52.Nc7+ Kd7 53.Na6 Rc8+ 54.Kb5 1-0 (54) Cutemouse83 (2945)-Daubon (2755) Blitz 2022

9...a5 10.a4 Nd7

[10...Be6 11.Bg5 Qb6 *(11...Re8 12.Bb5 Nb4 13.Bxe8 Qxe8 14.Nd4 Bc4 15.Qd2 Rc8 16.Rad1 Ng4 17.h3 Bxd4 18.hxg4 Bxc3 19.bxc3 Na6 20.e5 d5 21.e6 f6 22.Bh6 g5 23.f4 gxf4 24.Qxf4 Qg6 25.g5 fxg5 26.Bxg5 Rf8 27.Qh4 Nc7 28.Bxe7 Re8 29.Re5 Nxe6 30.Rde1 Ng7 31.Qf4 Qxc2 32.Rg5 Qxc3 33.Ree5 Bd3 34.Rxg7+ Kxg7 35.Qf6+ Kg8 36.Rg5+ Bg6 37.Qxc3 Rxe7 38.Rxd5* 1-0 (38) Mysterious Expert (2809)-Stka1969 (2496) Rapid 2024*)* 12.Be3 Qd8 13.Bg5 Qb6 14.Be3 Qd8 15.f3 Nb4 16.Nd4 Bd7 17.Ncb5 Bc6 18.c3 Na6 19.Qc2 Nd7 20.Rad1 Nac5 21.Bc4 Ne5 22.Ba2 Qc8 23.h3 Kh8 24.Bg5 Qe8 25.Nc7 Qd7 26.Nxa8 Rxa8 27.f4 f6 28.Bh4 g5 29.fxe5 fxe5 30.Nxc6 gxh4 31.Nxa5 Rxa5 32.b4 Qxa4 33.Qxa4 Rxa4 34.bxc5 Rxa2 35.Ra1 Rxa1 36.Rxa1 Bh6 37.cxd6 exd6 38.Kf1 Be3 39.Ke2 Bc5 40.Kf3 Kg7 41.Kg4 Bf2 42.Rb1 b6 43.Ra1 Kg6 44.Ra7 h5+ 45.Kf3 Bc5 46.Rd7 Kf6 47.Ke2 Kg5 48.Rf7 Kg6 49.Rf5 Bg1 50.Kd3 Bc5 51.Kc4 Be3 52.Kd5 Bc5 53.c4 Kh6 54.Rf6+ Kg5 55.Rf5+ Kg6 56.Ke6 Ba3 57.Rf8 Kg5 58.Rf5+ Kg6 59.Kd7 Bc5 60.Kc6 Kh6 61.Kd5 Kg6 62.Ke6 Bb4 63.Rf8 Kg5 64.Rf6 Bc5 65.Kf7 Bb4 66.Rf5+ Kh6 67.Kf6 Be1 68.Rg5 Bd2 69.Rg6+ Kh7 70.Kf7 Bb4 71.Rg7+ Kh6 72.Rg6+ Kh7 73.Kf6 b5 74.cxb5 Ba5 75.b6 Bxb6 76.Kf5 Bd8 77.Rxd6 Be7 78.Rd7 Kh6 79.Rxe7 ½-½ (79) Yarebore (2841)-Morchiashvili (2646) Blitz 2019]

11.Bg5 Nc5 12.Nxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.Rad1 Be6 15.Bb5 Nd4 16.Bxe7 Rdc8 17.Nd5 Nxc2 18.Rf1 Rab8 19.Bd6 Nb4 20.Ne7+ Kh8 21.Nxc8 Rxc8 22.e5 b6 23.f4 h5 24.Be7 Kh7 25.Rd8 Rc7 26.Bd6 Rb7 27.Rb8 Rxb8 28.Bxb8 Nd5 29.Bc4 Bh6 30.Bxd5 Bxd5 31.Ba7 Bb3 32.Bxb6 c4 33.Bxa5 Bxa4 34.g3 Bb3 35.Bb4 h4 36.Be7 h3 37.Ra1 Bg7 38.Ra7 Kh6 39.Kf2 Kh5 40.Ra8 Kg4 41.Rg8 Bh6 42.Rh8 Bg7 43.Rh7 c3 44.bxc3 1-0 (44) Schoberstein (2904)-Sina Iran (2761) Blitz 2021

9...a6 10.Be3

[10.Bf1 b5

A) 11.a4 b4 12.Nd5 Nd7 *(12...e6 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.a5* (as you'll soon see, equally the move Kramnik had in mind) *Bg7 15.Ra2 Qe7 16.Be3 Bb7 17.Qd2 Rfc8 18.f4 e5 19.f5 gxf5 20.exf5 Kh8 21.Raa1 d5?! 22.Bc5 Qf6 23.Bb6 Ne7 24.Nc5 Bc6 25.Nxa6 d4 26.Nxb4* had seen White distract Black on the kingside before cleaning up on the queenside in

Xie,J (2540)-Spassky,B (2555) Prague 1995 but I can't help but think that Black should be okay there too.*)* 13.a5 *(*Instead *13.c3 bxc3 14.Nxc3 Rb8 15.Be3* left White a little loose on the queenside and *Re8 16.a5 Qc7 17.Nd4 Nxd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Qc5 20.Qd2 Qb4* equal chances in Savanovic,A (2335)-Kovacevic,A (2405) Kladovo 1994. *)*

A1) 13...Rb8 Although I can't say Black is better here, he has in fact scored 60.9% in practice! 14.Ra2 A standard (for this plan) move. The white rook remains protecting the a5-pawn but now also frees the dark-squared bishop from its shackles of guarding b2. Of course it does still look silly here! e6 15.Ne3 Nf6 And I can't but help feel that Black has taken over White's operation. 16.Nc4 *(16.Ng4 Nxg4 17.Qxg4 f5!? 18.exf5 Rxf5* was nicely imbalanced and things only got better for Black through *19.Be3 d5 20.Qg3 Be5 21.f4 Bc7 22.Bd3 Rf7 23.Rf1 e5 24.fxe5 Bxe5 25.Qe1 Rxf1+ 26.Qxf1 Rb7 27.g3 Rf7 28.Qe2 Qf6* in Schmaltz,R (2523)-Baklan, V (2599) Ano Liosia 2001.*)* 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 With that rock of a knight on d5 it seems to me that Black has clearly equalised and more. Not an opening success for White then but Kramnik is Kramnik! 18.Ne3 *(*Instead *18.Qf3 Qc7 19.Qg3 e5!?* has seen Black do well in practice.*)* 18...Nce7 19.Nxd5 *(*Upon *19.Bc4 Qc7 20.Nxd5 Nxd5 21.Bxd5 exd5 22.Be3 Bf5* Black's bishop pair was causing havoc and *23.Nd4* was superbly met by *Bxc2!* in Zagrebelny,S (2480)-Ljubojevic,L (2550) Elista 1998 because of the ...b3 fork.*;* Also *19.Nc5 Qd6 20.Nxd5 Nxd5 21.Be3 Rd8 22.Ne4 Qc7 23.Bg5 f6 24.Bd2 f5 25.Ng5 e5 26.Qc1 h6* clearly left Black on top in Fernandez Garcia,J (2430)-Delgado Ramos,H (2414) Havana 2010.*)* 19...Nxd5 20.Re4 Qc7 *(20...Qd6!? 21.Bg5 Bb7* should equally have been a consideration.*)* 21.Bg5 Qa7 Undeniably puzzling but all the same, not bad! 22.Qc1 *(* And equally I can't fathom why this was favoured over *22.Qd2* (possibly to keep the d2-square for the knight) although both have Bh6 in mind.*)* 22...Bd7 23.Bh6 Rfc8 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Rc4 Rxc4 26.Bxc4 Bb5 Unnecessarily allowing White a simplifying trade. Instead 26... Bc6 would have prevented an isolated pawn from appearing whilst *(26...Nf6!* looks best intending ...Bb5 next turn.*)* 27.Bxd5 exd5 28.Ra1 Time to bring the rook back into action! Bc4 29.Qf4 Bxb3 30.cxb3 d4 And now we have an endgame which though imbalanced should still be a draw. White's extra doubled b-pawn doesn't have the impact of Black's passed centre pawn but it is clear that White has the

more active major pieces. 31.Qe5+ Kg8 32.Rc1 Rd8 33.Rc7 Qb8 34.Qe7 Rf8 My previous comment being even more evident here! 35.Rd7 Qc8 Mind the back rank! 36.g3 Qc1+ 37.Kg2 Qc6+ 38.Kh3 Qe6+?! *(38...Qc8!* pinning the rook to the king was strictly speaking best but Black is confident that 'all rook and pawn endgames are drawn'!*)* 39.Qxe6 fxe6 40.Rxd4 Rxf2 41.Rxb4 Kg7 42.Rb6 Rxb2 43.Rxa6 Rxb3 44.Rxe6 Ra3 45.a6 h5 And though he is the defender, Black's technique proves to be up to scratch. 46.Kg2 Ra2+ 47.Kf3 Kf7 48.Rb6 Rxh2 49.Ke4 Rg2 50.Ke5 Kg7 51.Rb7+ Kh6 52.a7 Ra2 53.Kd6 Kg5 54.Rg7 Kf6 55.Rc7 Kf5 56.Kc5 Kg4 57.Kb5 Kh3 58.Rg7 g5 59.Kb6 g4 60.Rg5 Rxa7 61.Rxh5+ Kxg3 62.Kxa7 Kf4 63.Kb7 g3 64.Rh4+ Kf3 65.Rh3 Kf2 66.Rxg3 Kxg3 ½-½ (66) Kramnik,V (2810)-Mamedov,R (2684) Novi Sad SRB 2016 The Week in Chess 1149 [Chris Ward];

A2) 13...e6 14.Ne3 Qc7 15.Nc4 Nc5 16.Bf4 e5 17.Be3 Rd8 18.Nb6 Rb8 19.Nd5 Qb7 20.Nxc5 dxc5 21.Bxc5 Be6 22.Bb6 Rd7 23.Qe2 Ra8 24.Rad1 Kh8 25.Qc4 Nd4 26.Bxd4 exd4 27.Rxd4 Rc8 28.Qxb4 Qxb4 29.Rxb4 Bxd5 30.exd5 Rxd5 31.Bxa6 Bf8 32.Rc4 Rxc4 33.Bxc4 Rxa5 34.Bxf7 Kg7 35.Bc4 Rf5 36.g3 Bc5 37.Re2 h5 38.Kg2 g5 39.Bd3 Rf8 40.h3 g4 41.hxg4 hxg4 42.b4 Bb6 43.c4 Bd4 44.c5 Kh6 45.c6 Bb6 46.Bc4 Rf6 47.Re6 1-0 (47) Carlsen,M (2851)-Petrosian,T (2611) chess.com INT 2016;

B) 11.Bg5 Bb7 12.Nd5 Nd7 13.c3 f6 14.Be3 e6 15.Nf4 Qe7 16.Qc2 Rad8 17.Rad1 Nde5 18.f3 Rd7 19.Qb1 g5 20.Nh5 Bh8 21.Nd4 Re8 22.Ng3 Ng6 23.a3 Nce5 24.Qa2 d5 25.Qb1 dxe4 26.Nxe4 h6 27.Nf2 f5 28.Nb3 Bd5 29.Nc5 Rd6 30.b4 Nc4 31.Bd4 Bxd4 32.Rxd4 Nxa3 33.Qc1 Nc4 34.Qa1 Qf6 35.Qb1 Red8 36.Nb3 h5 37.Qc1 g4 38.fxg4 hxg4 39.Nh1 f4 40.Nf2 Qh4 41.Rxf4 Nxf4 42.Qxf4 Rf8 43.Qxg4+ Qxg4 44.Nxg4 Rd7 45.Nd4 Rg7 46.Nf2 e5 47.Nb3 e4 48.Nd1 e3 49.Nc1 Nd2 50.Nxe3 Nf3+ 51.Kf2 Nxe1+ 52.Kxe1 Re8 53.Kd2 Re5 54.Nxd5 1-0 (54) Soundofsiience (2857)-Dimitriy1975 (2602) Blitz 2022]

10...b5 11.a4 b4 12.Nd5 Nd7 13.Qd2 Rb8 14.Bh6 e6 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Ne3 Nf6 17.f3 Qb6 18.Kh1 Rd8 19.a5 Qc7 20.c4 h5 21.Bd3 h4 22.Rec1 Ne5 23.Be2 Nh5 24.Ng4 Nxg4 25.fxg4 Nf6 26.Bf3 e5 27.g5 Nh7 28.g3 hxg3 29.h4 f6 30.gxf6+ Nxf6 31.Rg1 Rh8 32.Qg5 Qxc4 33.Rxg3 Rh6 34.Nd2 Qd4 35.Rag1 Be6 36.h5 Bf7 37.Nf1 Nh7 38.Qe7 Re8 39.Rxg6+ Rxg6 40.Rxg6+ Kh8 41.Qxf7 1-0 (41) Taanderson (2873)-Bocchoiboi (2734) Blitz 2025

[21] **10.Bf1** d5

[10...Rc8

A) 11.Nd5 a6 *(11...Bxd5 12.exd5*

Nb4 13.c4 b5 14.cxb5 Nc2 15.Nd4 Nxa1 16.Nc6 Qa5 17.Nxa5 1-0 (17) Babushka28 (2835)-Lovlas (2615) Blitz 2024*; 11...Nd7 12.c3 Nc5 13.Bg5 f6 14.Nxc5 dxc5 15.Be3 b6 16.Ba6 Rb8 17.Qa4 Ne5 18.Rad1 Bd7 19.Qb3 e6 20.Nf4 Qe7 21.Bb5 Bxb5 22.Qxb5 Rfd8 23.Nd3 Ng4 24.Bf4 e5 25.Bc1 Qe6 26.a4 Bf8 27.h3 Nh6 28.f4 Nf7 29.fxe5 fxe5 30.Nf2 h5 31.b3 Be7 32.Be3 c4 33.Rxd8+ Rxd8 34.bxc4 Rc8 35.a5 Qxc4 36.Qxc4 Rxc4 37.axb6 axb6 38.Bxb6 Rxc3 39.Rd1 Ng5 40.Rd7 Kf8 41.Bd8 Bxd8 42.Rxd8+ Ke7 43.Rd5 Kf6 44.Rd6+ Kf7 45.h4 Ne6 46.Nd3 Ke7 47.Rd5 Nf4 48.Nxf4 exf4 49.Rg5 Kf6 50.e5+ Kg7 51.e6 Re3 52.Kf2 Kf6 53.e7 Rxe7 54.Kf3 Ra7 55.Kxf4 Ra4+ 56.Kg3 Rb4 57.Ra5 Rg4+ 58.Kh3 Kg7 59.Ra7+ Kh6 60.Ra3 Rd4 61.Rg3 Rd7 62.Rf3 Rg7 63.g3 g5 64.hxg5+ Rxg5 65.Kg2 Rg6 66.Rf5 h4 67.Kh3 Rxg3+ 68.Kxh4 Rg6 69.Rh5+ Kg7 70.Ra5 Rh6+ 71.Kg5 Rf6 72.Ra7+ Rf7 73.Ra6 Kh7 74.Rg6 Rg7 75.Kh5 Rxg6 76.Kh4 Kh6 77.Kh3 Rg5 78.Kh4 Rg4+ 79.Kxg4* ½-½ (79) Goodgoodchess (2810)-Chesselation94 (2774) Blitz 2025*)* 12.c3 Nd7 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Nce5 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.Bd4 b5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Qf2 Bxd5 19.exd5 Nf6 20.Rad1 a5 21.h3 a4 22.Na1 a3 23.Bxc4 bxc4 24.bxa3 Qa5 25.Nc2 Rfe8 26.Nb4 Qxa3 27.Re3 Qa5 28.Qe2 Nxd5 29.Nxd5 e5 30.Bb6 Qb5 31.fxe5 dxe5 32.Rf3 f5 33.Rff1 Qc6 34.Bf2 e4 35.Nb4 Qe6 36.Bd4 Red8 37.Qe3 Bxd4 38.Rxd4 Rxd4 39.Qxd4 Re8 40.Nd5 Re7 41.Nxe7 1-0 (41) Carlsen,M (2851)-Petrosian,T (2611) chess.com INT 2016;

B) 11.Bg5

B1) 11...Nd7 12.Qd2 Nde5 *(12...Re8 13.Rad1 Nb4 14.Nd4 Bc4 15.a3 Bxd4 16.axb4 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Bxf1 18.Rxf1 Qc7 19.Ra1 a6 20.b5 axb5 21.Rfb1 Qxc3 22.Qxc3 Rxc3 23.Rxb5 Nc5 24.Be3 Nxe4 25.Rxb7 Rxc2 26.h3 f6 27.Raa7 Kf7 28.f3 Ng3 29.Bf2 Rc1+ 30.Kh2 Nf1+ 31.Kg1 h5 32.h4 g5 33.hxg5 fxg5 34.Bb6 h4 35.Kf2 Ng3 36.Bc7 Rc2+ 37.Kg1 Rc8 38.Bxd6 Rc1+ 39.Kf2 R8c2+ 40.Ke3 Re2+ 41.Kd3 Rd1+ 42.Kc3 Rxd6 43.Ra8 Nf5 44.Rh8 Nd4 45.Rh7+ Kg6 46.Rh8 Rc2+ 47.Kd3 Rc5 48.Rg8+ Kf7 49.Rh8 Nf5+ 50.Ke2 Rc2+ 51.Ke1 Re6+ 52.Kf1 Ng3+ 53.Kg1 Re1+ 54.Kh2 Rh1#* 0-1 (54) Interestingidea (2819)-Razyeb V Wepki (2756) Blitz 2022*)* 13.Nd5 a5 14.a4 Re8 15.Rad1 Nb4 16.Nxa5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.c4 b6 19.Nc6 Nxc6 20.dxc6 Rxc6 21.b4 Rc7 22.Be3 Rb7 23.g3 Bd7 24.Bg2 Rb8 25.a5 bxa5 26.bxa5 Rb3 27.Bb6 Qc8 28.c5 Rb2 29.Qe3 dxc5 30.Bxc5 Be6 31.Bd4 Bxd4 32.Qxd4 Ra2 33.Ra1 Rd8 34.Qb6 Rd6 35.Qb7 Qc3 36.Rac1 Qf6 37.Rf1 Rxa5 38.Rcd1 Rxd1 39.Rxd1 Ra2 40.Qb6 Kg7 41.h4 h5 42.Qd4

Qxd4 43.Rxd4 Ra1+ 44.Kh2 Ra2 45.Kg1 Ra5 46.Rd1 Kf6 47.Rc1 Re5 48.Kh2 Re2 49.Kg1 Ra2 50.Kf1 Rb2 51.Kg1 Ra2 52.Rd1 Ra3 53.Rb1 Ra2 54.Be4 Bf5 55.Rb6+ e6 56.Bf3 Ra1+ 57.Kg2 Ra2 58.Kg1 Bg4 59.Be4 Ra1+ 60.Kg2 Ra2 61.Rb4 Ra3 62.Kg1 Bf5 63.Bg2 Ra1+ 64.Kh2 Ra2 65.Kg1 Ra5 66.Kh2 Ra7 67.Kg1 Re7 68.Bf3 Kg7 69.Kg2 e5 70.Bd5 e4 71.Rb7 Re5 72.Rxf7+ Kh6 73.Ba2 e3 74.fxe3 Rxe3 75.Kf2 Rc3 76.Bd5 Rc2+ 77.Ke3 Rc3+ 78.Kd4 Rxg3 79.Ke5 Rg4 80.Rf8 Rxh4 81.Kf6 Kh7 82.Bg8+ Kh6 83.Bf7 Kh7 84.Bg8+ Kh6 85.Bd5 Kh7 86.Rf7+ 1-0 (86) Winx,M (2853)-Warrior211 (2885) Blitz 2024;

B2) 11...Re8 12.Qd2 a6 13.Rad1 b5 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.c3 Qc7 17.Nd4 Qb7 18.Nc2 Rc5 19.Nb4 a5 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.Nc2 Rec8 22.a3 Nc4 23.Bxc4 bxc4 24.Ne3 a4 25.g3 Rb5 26.Re2 Rcc5 27.Qc2 Rb3 28.Rdd2 Bg5 29.f4 Bf6 30.Qe4 Qc8 31.Kg2 h5 32.h3 Kg7 33.g4 hxg4 34.hxg4 Kg8 35.g5 Bg7 36.f5 Qe8 37.f6 Bf8 38.Ng4 e6 39.Kg1 Qc8 40.Qh1 Rxd5 41.Rh2 Qc5+ 42.Rd4 Bg7 43.fxg7 Kxg7 44.Rh8 1-0 (44) Winx,M (2924)-Loin Sn (2945) Blitz 2025]

[10...a5

A) 11.a4 Bxb3 12.cxb3 Nb4 *(12...e6 13.Bf4 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 exd5 16.Qd2 Nb4 17.Rac1 h5 18.g3 Rc8 19.Rxc8 Qxc8 20.Bd6 Rd8 21.Bxb4 axb4 22.Bg2 Qc5 23.Rd1 b6 24.Bxd5 Kh7 25.h4 Rd6 26.Kg2 Be5 27.f4 Bxb2 28.f5 Bc3 29.fxg6+ Rxg6 30.Qd3 Kg7 31.Rf1 Bf6 32.Rf5 Qc3 33.Be4 Qxd3 34.Bxd3 Bxh4 35.Bc4 Rxg3+ 36.Kh2 Rg5 37.Rxf7+ Kg6 38.Rb7 Bf2 39.Bd3+ Kf6 40.Rh7 h4 41.Bc4 Ke5 42.Rd7 Ke4 43.Rd3 Bc5 44.Kh3 Rg3+ 45.Rxg3 ½-½ (45) Gefuehlter Fm (2817)-Ikica77 (2763) Blitz 2023)* 13.Be3 e6 14.Qd2 d5 15.exd5 Nfxd5 16.Bg5 Bf6 17.Bh6 Bg7 18.Bg5 Bf6 19.Bh6 Bg7 20.Bg5 ½-½ (20) Ck King (2824)-Kasparik Garik (2639) Blitz 2024;

B) 11.Bb5 Nb4 12.Nd4 Bd7 13.a3 Nc6 14.Nf3 Bg4 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 Nd4 17.Qd3 Nd7 18.Bxd7 Qxd7 19.Nd5 Ra6 20.Bg5 Re8 21.Rad1 Rc6 22.c3 Nb3 23.e5 Nc5 24.Qf3 dxe5 25.b4 e4 26.Qg3 Nd3 27.Rxe4 Qxd5 28.Re3 Rxc3 29.Rexd3 Rxd3 30.Rxd3 Qa2 31.bxa5 h6 32.Bd2 Qb1+ 33.Kh2 Be5 34.Qxe5 Qxd3 35.Bxh6 Qd6 36.Bf4 Qxe5 37.Bxe5 Ra8 38.Bc3 Kf8 39.Kg3 Rc8 40.Bb4 f6 41.h4 Kf7 42.Kf3 Rc4 43.g3 f5 44.Ke3 e5 45.Kd3 Rc6 46.Ke3 Ke6 47.f3 Kd5 48.g4 fxg4 49.fxg4 Rc4 50.Kf3 Rf4+ 51.Kg3 Rf7 52.h5 gxh5 53.gxh5 e4 54.Kg4 e3 55.h6 e2 56.Kg5 Ke6 57.Kg6 Rf6+ 58.Kg7 Rf4 59.h7 Rxb4 60.axb4 e1Q 61.h8Q Qc3+ 62.Kh7 Qxh8+ 63.Kxh8 Kd5 64.b5 Kc5 65.a6 bxa6 66.bxa6

Kb6 67.a7 Kxa7 ½-½ (67) Anonymouslogin111 (2821)-Daubon (2759) Blitz 2023;

C) 11.Nd2 a4 *(11...d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 Bxd5)* 12.Ndb1 I thought about this one for a while. Just a waste of time really, as I realised pretty early on that I wanted to put my bishop on b3 here, and that I most likely was not going to change my mind.Darüber dachte ich eine Weile nach. Eigentlich reine Zeitverschwendung, da mir ziemlich früh klar wurde, dass ich hier meinen Läufer auf b3 stellen wollte und ich es mir höchstwahrscheinlich nicht anders überlegen würde. Ra5 13.Na3 Now Black will not be able to castle kingside, and he's more or less forced to either castle queenside and play for an attack, or put the king on f8, and accept a passive position. Nun wird Schwarz nicht kurz rochieren können, und er ist mehr oder minder gezwungen, entweder lang zu rochieren und auf Angriff zu spielen, oder den König nach f8 zu stellen und eine passive Stellung in Kauf zu nehmen. d5 14.exd5 Not an impressive move by any means, but it was not easy to find something more useful here. Keineswegs ein beeindruckender Zug, aber es war nicht einfach, hier etwas Nützlicheres zu finden. Nxd5! 15.Ncb5 To me, this seemed like the only logical move.Für mich schien dies der einzig logische Zug zu sein. Qc8 Clearly the only decent move.Eindeutig der einzig vernünftige Zug. 16.c3 Rd8 17.Qe2 Nc7 18.Rd1 Nxb5 I had missed this elegant little move when I played 14.♗d2. Diesen eleganten kleinen Zug hatte ich bei 14.♗d2 übersehen. 19.Nxb5 Ne5 20.Na3 *(20.Nd4 Bc4 21.Qe1 Bxf1 22.Qxf1 Rad5)* 20...Rad5 21.Rxd5 Rxd5 22.Be3 I was pretty sure that I did not have an advantage here, objectively speaking, but I was fascinated by unusual nature of the position, so I was nevertheless pretty excited. Ich war ziemlich sicher, dass ich hier objektiv gesehen keinen Vorteil hatte, doch mich faszinierte die ungewöhnlich Natur der Stellung, daher war ich trotzdem ziemlich aufgeregt. Ng4 Clearly the most natural move.Eindeutig der natürlichste Zug. 23.h3 I thought for a long time here, trying to figure out how to arrange my pieces. Actually I considered just about every move; both captures on f7, ♘d4 and even ♗c1, shutting out the rook on a1.Hier dachte ich lange nach und versuchte zu ergründen, wie ich meine Figuren aufstellen sollte. Tatsächlich erwog ich so ungefähr jeden Zug; beide Schlagweisen auf f7, ♘d4 und sogar ♗c1, um den Turm auf a1 auszuschließen. Nxe3 24.Qxe3! The point of my previous move. Die Pointe meines vorigen Zuges. Qc6 25.Nc2 The only move. Der einzige Zug.

C1) 25...Qd7

C1a) 26.Nb4 Rd1 *(26...Rd2 27.Nd3)* 27.Rxd1 Qxd1 28.Qe2 Qb1 29.a3 Bh6;

C1b) 26.a3 Rd2;

C2) 25...Qc7 26.a3 Once again,

the only move, but I spent some time around here, just to make sure that I was not walking into something really embarrassing. Wiederum der einzige Zug, aber an dieser Stelle verbrauchte ich etwas Zeit, nur um sicherzugehen, dass ich nicht in etwas wirklich Peinliches hineinlief. Be5? This is too optimistic .Das ist zu optimistisch . 27.Nb4? Very logical, preparing ♘e4, but there was the much stronger Sehr logisch, bereitet ♘e4 vor, doch es gab das wesentlich stärkere Rd8 28.Nd3 Bd6?! Gelfand, who was in slight time-trouble, wanted to clarify the situation a bit, but exchanging rooks does not help Black. Gelfand, der in leichter Zeitnot war, wollte die Situation ein wenig klären, doch der Turmtausch hilft Schwarz nicht. 29.Re1 Bf5 30.g3 With two very powerful bishops, and a strong knight on e4, White is really controlling a lot of squares now. Mit zwei sehr mächtigen Läufern und einem starken Springer auf e4 kontrolliert Weiß jetzt wirklich eine Menge Felder. Bxd3 *(30...h5* with a more or less typical position, where White has the bishop pair, which would be enough for some people to claim a slight advantage.mit einer mehr oder minder typischen Stellung, wo Weiß das Läuferpaar hat, was manchen Leuten genügen würde, auf leichten Vorteil zu pochen. *31.h4* is no good due toist nicht gut wegen *Kg7* mit nachfolgendem ... e4. with e4 to come.*)* 31.Bxd3 Bc5 32.Qf3 Rd6 33.Re4! By now, I had got quite used to playing with an exposed king, so making the decision to make room for the king on d3 was an easy one. Mittlerweile hatte ich mich ziemlich daran gewöhnt, mit exponiertem König zu spielen, daher fiel die Entscheidung, dem König auf d3 Platz zu machen, leicht. Rb6? 34.Bc4 *(34.Re2 Rf6 35.Qg2)* 34...e6 35.Re2 Bxa3 36.Bxe6 Surprisingly, the "doomed" pawn on b7 is now the decisive factor.Überraschenderweise ist der "todgeweihte" Bauer auf b7 jetzt der entscheidende Faktor. Bxb2 *(36...Rxb2 37.Ba2 Rxe2 38.Qxe2* and White must be better. und Weiß muss besser stehen. *Kg7 39.Kg2 Bd6 40.Qc4* looks promising for White wirkt vielversprechend für Weiß. *Qxc4 41.Bxc4 Be5* is a more solid option .ist eine solidere Möglichkeit. *)*

C2a) 37.Ba2

C2a1) 37...Ba3 38.Re4 Rb2 did not impress me at all; now White will have to bail out withbeeindruckte mich keineswegs; nun wird Weiß die Reißleine ziehen müssen mit 39.Bd5 Kg7 *(39...Bc5 40.Re8+! Kg7 41.Rc8)* 40.Rxa4 and hope for equality. und auf Ausgleich hoffen. Bc5 41.Ra2 Bxf2+

42.Kg2;

C2a2) 37...Bxc3 38.Bxf7+ Qxf7 39.Qxc3;

C2b) 37.Bxf7+ A blunder, which won the game immediately.Ein Übersehen, welches die Partie sofort gewann. 37...Qxf7? 38.Qd3 And Boris resigned, as the white knight is inevitably going ro reach either d7 or a6 via c5 or f6. Certainly one of the most interesting games I have played in recent times! Und Boris gab auf, denn der weiße Springer erreicht unweigerlich entweder d7 oder a6 über c5 bzw. f6. Sicher eine der interessantesten Partien, die ich in letzter Zeit gespielt habe!

C2b1) 38...Qc7

C2b11) 39.Qd5+ Kf8 40.Qe4 *(40.Re3 Rf6* Too difficult. Zu schwierig. *41.Qd4 Kg7)* 40...Ba3 41.Qe8+ does not by any means lead to mate. führt keineswegs zum Matt. Kg7 42.Qxa4 is positional capitulation. ist positionelle Kapitulation. Be7;

C2b12) 39.Re8+ with a draw by perpetual check. mit Remis durch Dauerschach. 39...Kg7 40.Qd4+ Rf6 41.Rd8 *(41.Qd5∞ Qxc3 42.Qg8+ Kh6)* 41...Qxc3 42.Rd7+ Kg8 43.Rd8+ Rf8 44.Rxf8+ and White can play for a win without risk und Weiß kann ohne Risiko auf Gewinn spielen. Kxf8 45.Qd8+ Kf7 46.Qd7+ Kf6 47.Qd6+ Kf5;

C2b2) 38...Re6 39.Qd8+ Kg7 40.Qd4+ Kg8 would have enabled Black to fight on. I saw thus far, but thought that b4 would win easily, as I simply did not realise that Black could capture on b7 hätte Schwarz ermöglicht weiterzukämpfen. Ich sah so weit, dachte aber, dass b4 leicht gewinnen würde, da ich einfach nicht begriff, dass Schwarz auf b7 nehmen kann. 41.Qd8+ Qf8 42.Qd5 Qd6 43.Qxd6 and White keeps a huge edge. Whether it's enough to win or not, is not clear, though. und Weiß behält ein riesiges Plus. Ob es zum Gewinn reicht oder nicht, ist allerdings nicht klar. *(43.Qxe6+ Qxe6 44.Rxe6 Kf8 45.Rd6 Ke8 46.Re6+ Kd8 47.Rf6 Kc7 48.Rf8 b5)* 43...Rxd6 44.Rxb2 a3! 45.Ra2 Ra6 46.Kf1 Kf7 and White should win easily. und Weiß sollte leicht gewinnen. 47.Ke2 Ke6 and ♘c5 next will decide , und ♘c5 als nächstes entscheidet. 48.Kd3 Kd5 49.f4

C2b21) 49...Ra4 50.c4+ *(50.g4* is what I was

considering at first. One amusing continuation would be ist, woran ich zuerst überlegte. Eine amüsante Fortsetzung wäre *b5 51.g5 Ra8 52.Kc2!* I had only looked at ...♘e4 Ich hatte nur ... ♘e4 betrachtet. *Ke4 53.Kb3! Kxf4 54.Rxa3)* 50...Kc5 should be a draw, the white king is too exposedsollte remis sein, der weiße König ist zu exponiert 51.g4 b6 More or less forced, Mehr oder minder erzwungen, *(51...h6 52.f5 gxf5 53.gxf5 Kb4+- 54.Kc2 Ra5* and here I just could not find a decent move for White. und hier konnte ich einfach keinen ordentlichen Zug für Weiß finden. *55.Ra1* was also possible, with the point that the tempting war ebenfalls möglich, mit der Pointe, dass das verlockende *Rxf5* is well met by gut mit *56.Rb1+* beantwortet wird. *Kxc4 57.Rxb7)*

C2b211) 52.h4 b5 *(52...h6! 53.f5 gxf5 54.gxf5 Kb4 55.Kc2! Ra5 56.Ra1 Rxf5 57.Rb1+ Ka5* and White is winning und Weiß gewinnt *58.Kb3)* 53.cxb5 Rxf4;

C2b212) 52.f5 gxf5 53.gxf5 Kb4 54.Kc2 Ra5 55.Ra1 Rxf5 56.Rb1+= I saw thus far, but I didn't want to settle for a draw like this So weit sah ich, wollte mich aber nicht auf diese Weise mit einem Remis begnügen Ka5 57.Kb3 Rf3+ 58.Ka2 Rxh3;

C2b22) 49...h5 50.g4 h4 51.c4+ Kc5 and White should win without any trouble. und Weiß sollte ohne jede Mühe gewinnen. 52.Kc3 Re6! wins on the spot. gewinnt auf der Stelle. 53.Rf2 Re3+ 54.Kc2

C2b221) 54...Kc6 55.f5 and even though Black is currently a full exchange up, it is clear that only White can play for a win , und obwohl Schwarz aktuell eine volle Qualität mehr hat, ist klar, dass nur Weiß auf Gewinn spielen kann gxf5 was once again interesting. war wiederum interessant. 56.gxf5 Kd7 57.Kb1 Rxh3 58.Ka2 Ke7 59.Rf4 *(59.f6+* is no good, since there is no ♕f4 due to the fact that the bishop is hanging

taugt nichts, da es wegen der Tatsache, dass der Läufer hängt, kein ♕f4 gibt. *Kf7 60.Rf4 b6)* 59...b6! and Black is doing quite well according to the comp. und laut dem Computer fährt Schwarz ganz gut. 60.Rd4 Kf6 61.Rf4;

C2b222) 54...Kd6 55.Rd2+;

C2b223) 54...Kxc4! 55.f5 g5 56.f6

C2b2231) 56...Rb3 57.Rf4+! *(57.Rf1)* 57...gxf4 58.f7 Rc3+;

C2b2232) 56...Re8 and White is comfortably running away und Weiß läuft bequem davon 57.f7 with the idea of 34.♕xa6 ♕h1 with counterplay, was probably the best chance. mit der Idee 34.♕xa6 ♕h1 mit Gegenspiel war vermutlich die beste Chance. Rf8 58.Kb1 Kd5 *(58...b5 59.Rf5 b4 60.Ka2* keeps the b7-pawn, but is most probably playing for a loss rather than a win hält den b7-Bauern, ist aber wahrscheinlich eher Spiel auf Verlust als auf Gewinn. *Kc3* would have been an excellent move, were it not for wäre ein ausgezeichneter Zug gewesen, gäbe es da nicht *61.Rc5+ Kd4 62.Rf5* and Black wins. und Schwarz gewinnt. For Bei *62...Kc4 63.Rf6* White is perfectly centralised. Here I looked at ist Weiß perfekt zentralisiert. Hier betrachtete ich*)* 59.Rf5+ Ke6 60.Rxg5 Rxf7 61.Rh5

C2b22321) 61...Rf2 62.Rxh4 b5 63.g5 *(63.Rh5 b4= 64.Rb5 Rb2+ 65.Ka1 Kd6)*;

C2b22322) 61...b5 62.Rxb5 and Black fights on in a difficult endgame. und Schwarz kämpft in einem schwierigen Endspiel weiter. Rf3 63.Rb6+! Ke5 64.Rb5+ keeps an edge for White, as the bishop obviously cannot be

captured. wahrt ein Plus für Weiß, da der Läufer offensichtlich nicht zu schlagen ist. Ke6 *(64...Kd4 65.Ka2 Rxh3!* and now, with the knight coming to e5 or c5, Black should be ok. , und jetzt, wo der Springer nach e5 oder c5 kommt, sollte Schwarz ordentlich stehen. *66.g5)* 65.Rb6+ Kd5 was a very logical option, as the white king is now stuck on the first rank. war eine sehr logische Option, da der weiße König jetzt auf der ersten Reihe festhängt. 66.g5 Rxh3 67.Rb4 Ke5 68.g6 Kf6 69.Rg4 Kg7 70.Ka2 Kh8 and Black obtains counterplay, which White can nevertheless contain with a few precise moves und Schwarz erlangt Gegenspiel, welches Weiß nichtsdestotrotz mit ein paar präzisen Zügen im Zaum halten kann. 71.Rf4 Kg7 72.Rg4 Rh1 73.Rb4 h3 74.Rb3 Kxg6 *(* Gelfand should have been content with Gelfand hätte sich begnügen sollen mit *74...h2 75.Rh3 Kxg6 76.Rh8)* 75.Rg3+ Kf5 76.Rc3 Ke5 77.Rxa3 and White should have some winning chances. und Weiß sollte einige Gewinnchancen haben. Rh2+ 78.Ka1 Kf4 79.Rb3 and White is clearly on top. und Weiß ist klar obenauf. Rh1+ 80.Ka2 with ♖xe3 or ♗xf4 to come nebst ♖xe3 oder ♗xf4. Rh2+ 81.Ka1 Rh1+ 82.Ka2 Kg4 83.Rb4+ is a much more comfortable version for White. ist eine wesentlich bequemere Version für Weiß. Kg3 84.Rb3+ Kg4 85.Rb4+ and White is getting nowhere und Weiß erreicht

nichts Kg3 1-0 (85) Carlsen,M (2826)-Gelfand,B (2744) Moscow 2011 CBM 146 [Carlsen,Magnus] I rejected this move mainly because I could not see what my next move would be. However, looking at the position once more, it seems even harder to find a move for Black. Ich verwarf diesen Zug hauptsächlich, weil ich nicht sehen konnte, was mein nächster Zug sein würde. Doch wenn man die Stellung erneut betrachtet, scheint es sogar noch schwerer zu sein, einen Zug für Schwarz zu finden.]

11.Nc5

[11.e5 Ne4 12.Nxe4 dxe4 13.Nc5 Qxd1 14.Rxd1 Bc8 15.e6 f5 16.Bc4 b6 17.Nd7 Re8 18.c3 Bb7 19.Bf4 Rac8 20.Bd5 Na5 21.Bxb7 Nxb7 22.a4 Rc6 23.Nb8 Rxe6 24.Rd7 Nd6 25.Nc6 a6 26.Nxe7+ R8xe7 27.Rxe7 Rxe7 28.Bxd6 Rd7 29.Bf4 Kf7 30.Kf1 Ke6 31.Ke2 Be5 32.Be3 Rd6 33.g3 Kf6 34.Ra3 Rc6 35.Rb3 Bc7 36.f3 exf3+ 37.Kxf3 g5 38.Rb4 h6 39.Rd4 Ke6 40.h4 g4+ 41.Kf2 h5 42.Rb4 Kd5 43.Bf4 Bxf4 44.Rxf4 Ke5 45.Ke3 Re6 46.Rd4 Rc6 47.c4 Re6 48.b4 Re8 49.b5 axb5 50.axb5 Re6 51.Rd5+ Kf6+ 52.Kd3 Re1 53.Rd6+ Ke5 54.Rxb6 Rg1 55.c5 Rxg3+ 56.Kc4 Rg1 57.Rh6 Rc1+ 58.Kb4 f4 59.Rxh5+ Ke4 60.c6 f3 61.Rc5 Rb1+ 62.Ka5 f2 63.c7 Ra1+ 64.Kb6 f1Q 65.c8Q Qf6+ 66.Rc6 Qd4+ 0-1 (66) Ukrchess Org Ua (2822)-Theredking89 (2662) Blitz 2021]

11...d4 12.Nxe6 fxe6 13.Nb1 Ne5 14.Na3 Qb6 15.Nc4 Nxc4 16.Bxc4 Kh8 17.e5 Nd7 18.f4 Rac8 19.Bd3 Nc5 20.h4 Nxd3 21.Qxd3 Rc6 22.Re4 Rd8 23.a4 Qc5 24.Re2 Rdc8 25.b3 Qc3 26.Qxc3 Rxc3 27.Bb2 Rxc2 28.Rxc2 Rxc2 29.Bxd4 h6 30.g3 g5 31.h5 a6 32.Rd1 gxf4 33.gxf4 Kg8 34.Rd3 Kf7 35.Bf2 b5 36.axb5 axb5 37.Kg2 b4 38.Kf3 Rc1 39.Be3 Rh1 40.Kg4 Rb1 41.Bc5 Re1 42.Re3 Rg1+ 43.Rg3 Rd1 44.Rf3 Ke8 45.Bxb4 Rd4 46.Bc3 Re4 47.b4 Rc4 48.Rd3 Rc6 49.b5 Rc5 50.b6 Rb5 51.Bd4 Kd7 52.Be3+ Kc8 53.Kf3 Rb1 54.Rc3+ Kb8 55.Rc7 Bf8 56.Rd7 Kc8 57.Ra7 Kb8 58.Ra2 Rh1 59.Rg2 1-0 (59) Ukrchess Org Ua (2935)-Theredking89 (2807) Blitz 2021

10.h3 a6 11.Bf1 Rc8 12.Bg5 Bxb3 13.axb3 e6 14.Qd2 Qc7 15.Rad1 Rfd8 16.Qf4 Nb4 17.Bxf6 1-0 (17) Chessmaster2006 (2862)-Evilhamburger (2717) Blitz 2025

[22] **11.Bh4** Rc8 12.Bf1 g5 13.Bg3 d5 14.e5 Ng4 15.Nd4 Ngxe5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Ne2 Qb6 18.Rb1 h5 19.h4 gxh4 20.Bxh4 Ng6 21.Bg3 h4 22.Bh2 Qxf2+ 23.Kh1 Be5 24.Bg1 Qf6 25.Qd3 Rf7 26.c3 Rcf8 27.Nd4 Nf4 28.Qf3 Nxd4 29.cxd4 Bxd4 30.Bh2 Be5 31.Rbd1 Bd6 32.b3 Rg7 33.Rd2 Qg6

34.Rf2 Rf6 35.Qc3 Nh5 36.Qc8+ Kh7 37.Rxf6 exf6 38.Qxe6 Bxh2 39.Kxh2 Qg3+ 40.Kh1 Nf4 41.Qf5+ Rg6 42.Re7+ Kh6 43.Qc8 h3 44.Qh8+ Kg5 45.gxh3 Qf3+ 46.Kh2 Qf2+ 47.Kh1 Qxf1+ 0-1 (47) Chessboomer1957 (2818)-Flysoohigh (2654) Blitz 2022

[23] **14.c3** Rfd8 15.Bf3
[15.Qxd5 Bxd5 16.Rad1 b6 17.Kf1 Rd6 18.Rd2 Rad8 19.Red1 Ne5 20.Bf4 g5 21.Bg3 Nc4 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.Rxd5 Rxd5 24.Bxc4 Rd1+ 25.Ke2 Rb1 26.Nd2 Rxb2 27.Kd3 b5 28.Bb3 a5 29.a4 bxa4 30.Bxa4 Ra2 31.Bb3 Ra1 32.Kc2 a4 33.Bc4 e6 34.Bd6 Rg1 35.Bf1 g4 36.Kd3 Bf8 37.Bxf8 Kxf8 38.c4 a3 39.Kc3 Rh1 40.Kb3 Rxh2 41.Kxa3 Rh5 42.Kb4 Ke7 43.c5 Rd5 44.Be2 Rxd2 45.Bxg4 Rxf2 46.Bh3 Kd7 47.Kc4 Kc7 48.Kd4 Re2 49.Kd3 Re5 50.Kd4 Rd5+ 51.Kc4 Kc6 52.Bg4 Rxc5+ 53.Kd4 Rg5 54.Bf3+ Kd6 55.Ke4 f6 56.Kf4 Rc5 57.Kg4 f5+ 58.Kh5 Ke5 59.Kxh6 Kf4 60.Kg6 e5 61.Bb7 e4 62.Ba6 Rc6+ 63.Kh5 Rxa6 64.Kh4 Rh6# 0-1 (64) Athena Pallada (3008)-Halfmillion2023 (2905) Blitz 2023]
15...Qb5 16.Qc2 Ne5 17.Be2 Qa4 18.Qc1 Bxb3 19.axb3 Qxb3 20.Ra3 Qe6 21.Bxh6 Bxh6 22.Qxh6 Nd3 23.Raa1 Nxe1 24.Rxe1 Qxe2 0-1 (24) Athena Pallada (3030)-Halfmillion2023 (2883) Blitz 2023

[24] **9.Qd2** Nxd4
[9...d5 10.exd5 *(10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.e5 Nd7 12.f4 e6 13.Na4 f6 14.exf6 Nxf6 15.Nc5 Rb8 16.c3 a5 17.Rad1 Qe7 18.Bf3 Nd7 19.Nxd7 Bxd7 20.Rfe1 a4 21.Qf2 Qf7 22.Bc5 Rfe8 23.g3 Rb5 24.Bd6 Bf8 25.Be5 Bc5 26.Bd4 Bxd4 27.cxd4 Reb8 28.Rd2 Qf8 29.Bg4 Qd6 30.Rde2 Re8 31.a3 Kf7 32.h4 h5 33.Bh3 Rb3 34.Re5 Qb8 35.R1e2 Rd3 36.Rd2 Qb3 37.Rxd3 Qxd3 38.Kh2 Rb8 39.Re2 Rb3 40.Rd2 Qe3 41.Qxe3 Rxe3 42.Kg2 Ke7 43.Kf2 Rb3 44.Bf1 Kd6 45.Rc2 Bc8 46.Be2 Rb6 47.Bd3 Ba6 48.Bxg6 Rb3 49.Bxh5 Bd3 50.Rd2 Be4 51.Be2 c5 52.dxc5+ Kxc5 53.h5 Rb8 54.g4 d4 55.g5 Kd5 56.g6 Rf8 57.Kg3 e5 58.fxe5 Kxe5 59.Kg4 Rf4+ 60.Kg5 Rf5+ 61.Kh6 Rf2 62.g7 Rf6+ 63.Kg5 Rf2 64.g8Q Rg2+ 65.Bg4 Rxd2 66.Qe6#* 1-0 (66) Silence404 (2915)-Chess Ark (2745) Blitz 2024 *)* 10...Nxd5 11.Nxd5
A) 11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Qxd5 13.Rfd1 *(13.Rad1 Qxd4 14.Qxd4 Bxd4 15.Rxd4 Be6 16.c4 Rfd8 17.Rfd1 Rxd4 18.Rxd4 g5 19.f3 Rc8 20.Kf2 Kg7 21.Ke3 Kf6 22.h4 h6 23.g3 b6 24.b3 Bf5 25.h5 e5 26.Rd6+ Be6 27.f4 exf4+ 28.gxf4 Ke7 29.Rd1 Rc5 30.Rg1 f6 31.a4 Bf7 32.Bf3 a5 33.Rh1 Be6 34.Re1 Kf7 35.fxg5 fxg5 36.Kd4 g4 37.Bd5 Bxd5 38.cxd5 Rc2 39.Re4 g3 40.Rg4 g2 41.Ke5 Re2+ 42.Kd6 Kf6 43.Kc6 Ke5 44.d6 Rc2+ 45.Kxb6 Kxd6 46.Rg6+ Ke5 47.Kxa5 Kf4 48.b4 Rd2 49.b5 Re2 50.Ka6 Re6+ 51.Rxe6 g1Q 52.a5 Qg8 53.Rxh6 Qc8+ 54.Kb6 Qd8+ 55.Kc6 Qe8+ 56.Kb6 Qe3+ 57.Ka6 Kg5 58.b6 Kxh6 59.Ka7 Qe5 60.a6 Qc5 61.Kb7 Qe5 62.Ka7 Qd6 63.b7 Qc5+ 64.Ka8 Qc6 65.a7 Qd5 66.Kb8 Qd8#* 0-1 (66) Fairchess03 (2838)-

Mischuk,D (2719) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Rd8 14.c3 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Qxd4 16.cxd4 Be6 17.Bf3 Bd5 18.Bxd5 Rxd5 19.Rac1 Rd7 20.Kf1 Rad8 21.Ke2 e6 22.Ke3 Kf8 23.Rc5 Ke7 24.f4 Rd6 25.Rd3 h5 26.g3 R8d7 27.a4 Rb6 28.b3 Rbd6 29.b4 Rd5 30.Rxd5 Rxd5 31.Rc3 Kd7 32.Ke4 b6 33.b5 Rd6 34.h3 Rd5 35.Rc6 Rd6 36.Rc1 Rd5 37.Rc2 Rd6 38.g4 Rd5 39.g5 Rd6 40.Rc3 Rd5 41.Rc6 Kd8 42.Rc2 Kd7 43.Kd3 Kd8 44.Ke4 Kd7 45.h4 Kd8 ½-½ (45) Cutemouse83 (2908)-Futurology (2729) Blitz 2021;

B) 11...Qxd5 12.Bf3 Qd7 *(12...Qd6 13.Nxc6 Qxd2 14.Nxe7+ Kh8 15.Bxd2* 1-0 (15) Tuzakli Egitim (2865)-Loyalman (2642) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Qxd7 Bxd7 15.c3 Rab8 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rd2 Bd5 18.Bxa7 Ra8 19.Bc5 Bxf3 20.gxf3 Rxa2 21.Bxe7 Rb8 22.Rfd1 f5 23.Bb4 c5 24.Bxc5 Rbxb2 25.Rxb2 Rxb2 26.Rd8+ Kf7 27.Rd7+ Kg8 28.Bd4 Bxd4 29.cxd4 Rb3 30.Kg2 Rd3 31.h4 Kf8 32.Kg3 Ke8 33.Rxh7 Rxd4 34.Rg7 Rd6 35.Kf4 Kf8 36.Rb7 Rd2 37.Kg5 Rxf2 38.Kf6 Ke8 39.Rb3 Rg2 40.Rb8+ Kd7 41.Rg8 Rg3 42.h5 Rxf3 43.hxg6 f4 44.g7 Rg3 45.Ra8 f3 46.Ra4 f2 47.Rf4 Ke8 48.Rxf2 1-0 (48) Cutemouse83 (2950)-Benj49 (2759) Blitz 2021]

[9...Ng4 10.Bxg4 Bxg4 11.f3 Be6 *(11...Bd7 12.Rfd1 Rc8 13.Rac1 Qa5 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Rfe8 16.c3 Ne5 17.b3 b5 18.h3 e6 19.Nf4 f5 20.Nde2 fxe4 21.fxe4 Bf8 22.Bxa7 Bc6 23.Ng3 Bh6 24.Be3 Rf8 25.Rf1 Rf7 26.Re2 Bd7 27.Bd2 Rcf8 28.Ref2 Bc6 29.Be3 Nd3 30.Nge2 Nxf2 31.Rxf2 Bxe4* 0-1 (31) Johnbrondthojlund (2845)-Satlan (2638) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Rfd1 *(12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bd4 Bxd4+ 14.Qxd4 Qb6 15.Qxb6 axb6 16.b3 Ra3 17.Kf2 Rfa8 18.Ke3 b5 19.Kd2 b4 20.Na4 c5 21.Kc1 Ra6 22.Kb2 Bd7 23.Rfd1 Bxa4 24.bxa4 R6xa4 25.Rd3 Rxd3 26.cxd3 Ra3 27.Rd1 e5 28.Kb1 Kf8 29.Kb2 Ke7 30.g3 Ke6 31.h4 f5 32.Rd2 d5 33.exf5+ gxf5 34.Rd1 h5 35.Rd2 Kd6 36.Rd1 Ra8 37.Rg1 Rg8 38.Kc2 Kc6 39.Kb3 Ra8 40.Rd1 Ra3+ 41.Kb2 Kb5 42.Rd2 Ra7 43.Rg2 c4 44.dxc4+ dxc4 45.g4 hxg4 46.fxg4 fxg4 47.Rxg4 Rf7 48.Re4 Rf2+ 49.Kb1 Rf5 50.Rg4 Kc5 51.Kb2 Rf2+ 52.Kb1 Rh2 53.Ka1 Kd5 54.Kb1 e4 55.Rg5+ Kd4 56.h5 e3 57.Rg4+ Kd3 58.Rg3 c3* 0-1 (58) Tuzakli Egitim (2871)-Chess Ark (2733) Blitz 2024*)* 12...Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 14.Qxd4 Qa5 15.Rd2 Rfc8 16.Ne2 Qc5 17.c3 a5 18.a4 Qxd4+ 19.Nxd4 Bc4 20.b3 Be6 21.c4 Bd7 22.g4 Rc5 23.h4 f6 24.Kf2 h5 25.gxh5 Rxh5 26.Kg3 Kf7 27.Rh2 Rah8 28.Rah1 b6 29.Ne2 e5 30.Rd1 Ke7 31.Nc3 Be6 32.Rdd2 g5 33.Nb5 gxh4+ 34.Kf2 Rd8 35.Rd1 h3 36.Rg1 Rg8 37.Rxg8 Bxg8 38.Kg3 Be6 39.Nc7 Rg5+ 40.Kf2 Rh5 41.Kg3 Rg5+ 42.Kf2 Rh5 43.Na8 Kd7 44.Nxb6+ Kc6 45.Nd5 Bxd5 46.exd5+ Kc5 47.Kg3 Rg5+ 48.Kxh3 Kb4 49.Rg2 Rf5 50.Kg3 Kxb3 51.c5 dxc5 52.d6 Rh5 53.Rh2 Rg5+ 54.Kf2 Rg7 55.Rh6

c4 56.Rxf6 c3 57.Rf8 Rd7 58.Rb8+ Kxa4 59.Rc8 Kb3 60.Rb8+ Kc2 61.Rb6 a4 62.Ke3 a3 63.Ra6 a2 64.Rxa2+ Kb1 65.Ra6 c2 66.Rb6+ Ka2 67.Rc6 Kb2 68.Rb6+ Kc3 69.Rc6+ Kb2 70.Rb6+ Kc3 71.Rc6+ Kb2 ½-½ (71) Evilgenius94 (2934)-Vistagausta (2811) Blitz 2022]

[9...Bd7 10.Rfd1 *(10.h3 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Bc6 12.Bf3 Nd7 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.g3 a5 15.Bg2 Qb6 16.Rfe1 Qxb2 17.Rab1 Qa3 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Nc5 20.Rxe7 Rfe8 21.Rbe1 Rxe7 22.Rxe7 Rd8 23.Qd4+ Kg8 24.Qf6 Rf8 25.Qxd6 Qc1+ 26.Bf1 Qxc2 27.Rc7 Qxf2+ 28.Kxf2 Ne4+ 29.Ke3 Nxd6 30.Rd7 Nf5+ 31.Kf4 Rb8 32.g4 Nd4 33.Ke5 Nf3+ 34.Kd6 Kf8 35.Kc7 Ne5 36.Rxf7+ Kxf7 37.Kxb8 Ke7 38.Kxb7 Kd6 39.Kb6 a4 40.Kb5 Kxd5 41.Kxa4 Kc5 42.Kb3 g5 43.Kc3 Ng6 44.Kd3 h5 45.gxh5 Nf4+ 46.Ke4 Nxh5 47.Ba6 Kb4 48.Bc8 Ka3 49.Kf3 Kxa2 50.Kg4 Nf4 51.Kxg5 Nxh3+ 52.Bxh3* ½-½ (52) Justantan (2829)-Theredking89 (2686) Blitz 2021*; 10.Rad1 Ng4 11.Bxg4 Bxg4 12.f3 Bd7 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.b3 Re8 15.Bd4 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Qb6 17.Qxb6 axb6 18.a4 Be6 19.Kf2 Rec8 20.Ke3 f5 21.Rfe1 fxe4 22.fxe4 b5 23.Ra1 b4 24.Ne2 c5 25.Nf4 Bf7 26.e5 dxe5 27.Nd3 c4 28.Nxe5 cxb3 29.cxb3 Bxb3 30.Reb1 Rc3+ 31.Kf2 Ra5 32.Nf3 e5 33.Nd2 Rc2 34.Rxb3 Rxd2+ 35.Kg1 Rd4 36.h3 Kf7 37.Kf2 Ke6 38.Ke3 Kd5 39.Ra2 Kc4 40.Rb1 Rd3+ 41.Ke4 b3 42.Ra3 Rc3 43.Raa1 Kb4 44.Rb2 Rxa4 45.Rab1 Ra5 46.h4 Rac5 47.g4 h6 48.h5 gxh5 49.gxh5 Ka3 50.Kf5 e4+ 51.Kxe4 Rxh5 52.Rg2 Rh4+ 53.Kd5 Rc2 54.Ra1+ Kb2 55.Rg8 Kxa1 56.Ra8+ Ra2 57.Rg8 b2 58.Kc5 b1Q 59.Kd5 Qd3+ 60.Ke6 Ra6+ 61.Kf7 Rf4+ 62.Kg7 Qg6+ 63.Kh8 Qxg8+ 64.Kxg8 Ra7 65.Kh8 Rb4 66.Kg8 Rb8#* 0-1 (66) Timetrave1 (2811)-Zoubkovavila (2724) Blitz 2023 *)* 10...Rc8 11.f3 a6 12.a4 Ne5 *(12...Re8 13.Nb3 Na5 14.Kh1 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.a5 Qb8 17.Bh6 Bh8 18.Qe2 Rec8 19.Nd2 R4c5 20.Nf1 Qc7 21.Ne3 Be6 22.Ncd5 Bxd5 23.exd5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Qxa5 25.c3 Qa2 26.Qd2 Qb3 27.h3 Nh5 28.g4 Nf6 29.Nf5 Re8 30.Re1 Nxd5 31.Nxd6 Rd8 32.Nf5 Re8 33.Rxe7 Rf8 34.Rd7 Nf6 35.Ne7#* 1-0 (35) Chesszxj (2809)-Bulletcoach (2657) Blitz 2025*)* 13.Nd5 *(13.a5 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.Nd5 e6 17.Nb6 Rc7 18.c4 Bc6 19.Bh6 Bxh6 20.Qxh6 Qe7 21.b4 d5 22.exd5 exd5 23.c5 Qe5 24.Qd2 Re7 25.Re1 Qc7 26.Rxe7 Qxe7 27.Re1 Qc7 28.Qg5 Nh5 29.g3 f6 30.Qg4 Qf7 31.Qe6 Re8 32.Qxf7+ Kxf7 33.Rxe8 Kxe8 34.Nc8 Kd7 35.Nd6 Ng7 36.Kf2 Ne6 37.Ke3 Nc7 38.h4 Ke7 39.g4 h6 40.h5 gxh5 41.N6f5+ Kd7 42.gxh5 Nb5 43.Nxb5 Bxb5 44.Nxh6 Ke6 45.Ng4 Kf5 46.h6 Kg6 47.h7 Kxh7 48.Nxf6+ Kg6 49.Nxd5 Bc6 50.Ne7+* 1-0 (50) Demchenko,A (2872)-Yakamuzosan (2779) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Nxd5 14.exd5 Qc7 15.b3 Qc3 16.Qxc3 Rxc3 17.Bd2 Rc5 18.Be3 Rxd5 19.b4 Rc8 0-1 (19) Toomanymanoevres (2918)-Fireheart92 (2875) Blitz 2023]

10.Bxd4 Qa5

[10...b6 11.Rfe1 Bb7 12.Bf1 Rc8

13.Rad1 Qc7 14.h3 Rfd8 15.g4 e5 16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 Rxd5 19.Qxd5 Bxd5 20.Rxd5 Bf8 21.c3 Rd8 22.Red1 Rxd5 23.Rxd5 Bc5 24.Bxc5 bxc5 25.Bc4 Kg7 26.b3 Kf6 27.a4 Kg5 28.Kg2 h5 29.gxh5 gxh5 30.Rd3 h4 31.Rd5 f5 32.Kg1 Kf4 33.Kg2 Qg7+ 34.Kf1 Qe7 35.a5 e4 36.a6 e3 37.Bd3 exf2 38.Rxf5+ Kg3 39.Rxf2 Qe3 40.Rg2+ Kf4 41.Rf2+ Kg5 42.Bf5 Qxc3 43.Be6 Qa1+ 44.Kg2 Qxa6 45.Bd5 Qd6 46.Bc4 Qg3+ 47.Kf1 Qxh3+ 48.Kg1 Qe3 49.Kf1 h3 50.Re2 Qf3+ 51.Kg1 a5 52.Kh2 Kh4 53.Ra2 Qf4+ 54.Kh1 Kg3 55.Ra1 Qf3+ 0-1 (55) Athena Pallada (2988)-Workmouse1 (2757) Blitz 2025]

[10...Bd7 11.a4 Bc6 12.f3 a5 13.Rfd1 Nd7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qd4+ *(15.h4 Qb6+ 16.Qd4+ Qxd4+ 17.Rxd4 Rfc8 18.Kf2 h6 19.Rc1 Nc5 20.Ke3 g5 21.hxg5 hxg5 22.Bb5 Rh8 23.b3 Ne6 24.Rd2 Rac8 25.Bc4 Nf4 26.g3 Ng6 27.Rg1 Rh3 28.Bf1 Rh6 29.Ne2 Ne5 30.Nd4 Bd7 31.Rf2 Rch8 32.Be2 Rh2 33.f4 Nc6 34.Nxc6 Rxf2 35.Kxf2 Bxc6 36.Bf3 Rh2+ 37.Rg2 Rxg2+ 38.Bxg2 gxf4 39.gxf4 e5 40.fxe5 dxe5 41.Ke3 f5 42.c3 f4+ 43.Kf2 Kf6 44.Bf3 b6 45.Ke1 Kg5 46.Kf2 Kh4 47.Kg2 Bd7 48.Bd1 Bh3+ 49.Kf2 Be6 50.b4 Kg5 51.bxa5 bxa5 52.Be2 Bb3 53.Bb5 Kf6 54.c4 Ke7 55.c5 Kd8 56.Ke2 Kc7 57.Kd3 Ba2 58.Kc2 Be6 59.Kc3 Bd7 60.Kc4 Bc6* 0-1 (60) Athena Pallada (2867)-Theredking89 (2664) Blitz 2021*)* 15...Kg8 16.Nb5 Qb6 17.Qxb6 Nxb6 18.b3 Bxb5 19.Bxb5 Rac8 20.Rd2 Rc3 21.Kf2 Rfc8 22.Bd3 Nd7 23.Ra2 g5 24.Rb2 Ne5 25.Be2 Kg7 26.Ke1 h5 27.b4 axb4 28.Rxb4 Rxc2 29.Rxb7 Kf6 30.Rxc2 Rxc2 31.a5 Ra2 32.a6 Nc6 33.Bc4 Ra1+ 34.Kd2 Na5 35.Bd3 Nc6 36.Rc7 Nb4 37.a7 Ra2+ 38.Kc3 Nxd3 39.Kxd3 g4 40.f4 Ke6 41.Kc4 f5 42.exf5+ Kf6 43.g3 Ra1 44.Kd5 Rd1+ 45.Kc6 Rc1+ 46.Kb7 Rb1+ 47.Kc8 Ra1 48.Kb8 d5 49.a8Q Rxa8+ 50.Kxa8 d4 1-0 (50) Realdavidnavara (2880)-Nadigraj (2730) Blitz 2024]

[10...Be6 11.f3 Qa5 12.Rfd1 Rfc8 13.a3 Nd7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qd4+ f6 16.Rac1 Qc5 17.Qxc5 Rxc5 18.Nb1 Rac8 19.c3 Ne5 20.Nd2 R5c6 21.Kf2 Nc4 22.Nxc4 Bxc4 23.Rd4 Bxe2 24.Kxe2 a5 25.Kd3 Kf7 26.b4 axb4 27.Rxb4 b6 28.Rb3 f5 29.a4 Kf6 30.Ra1 Ke6 31.a5 bxa5 32.Rxa5 fxe4+ 33.fxe4 Rf8 34.Rb7 Rfc8 35.Rb3 Rc5 36.Ra7 R8c7 37.Rxc7 Rxc7 38.Rb8 Rc5 39.Rh8 Rh5 40.h3 Ke5 41.Ke3 Ke6 42.Kd4 Rg5 43.g4 h5 44.gxh5 Rxh5 45.Rxh5 gxh5 46.h4 Kd7 47.e5 Ke6 48.exd6 exd6 49.c4 Kd7 50.Kd5 Kc7 51.c5 dxc5 52.Kxc5 Kd7 53.Kd5 Ke7 54.Ke5 Kf7 55.Kf5 Kg7 56.Kg5 Kh7 57.Kxh5 Kg7 58.Kg5 Kh7 59.h5 Kg7 60.h6+ Kh7 61.Kh5 Kh8 62.Kg6 Kg8 63.h7+ Kh8 64.Kh6 ½-½ (64) Tuzakli Egitim (2860)-Runawaybridesman (2772) Blitz 2024]

11.Rfd1 Be6 12.h3 Rfc8 13.a3 a6 14.Qe3 Qc7 15.a4 Bc4 16.a5 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Qc4 18.Qd3 Rc6 19.Ra4 Qxd3 20.cxd3 Rac8 21.Rb4 R8c7 22.Kf1 e6 23.Ke2 Nd7 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.f4 f5 26.g4 Rc5 27.gxf5 gxf5 28.Ra1 Kf7 29.Ke3 Nf6 30.Rb6 fxe4

31.dxe4 R5c6 32.Rxc6 Rxc6 33.Ra4 Nd7 34.Rb4 Nc5 35.Rc4 Ke7 36.b4 Nd7 37.Rxc6 bxc6 38.Na4 h5 39.Kd3 e5 40.Ke3 exf4+ 41.Kxf4 Kf6 42.Nb6 Ne5 43.Ke3 h4 44.Kd4 Ke6 45.Ke3 c5 46.bxc5 dxc5 47.Kf4 c4 48.Nd5 Kd6 49.Nb4 c3 50.Ke3 Kc5 51.Nd3+ Nxd3 52.Kxd3 Kb4 53.Kc2 Kc4 54.e5 Kd5 55.Kxc3 Kxe5 56.Kc4 Kf4 57.Kc5 Kg3 58.Kb6 Kxh3 59.Kxa6 Kg3 60.Kb7 h3 61.a6 h2 62.a7 h1Q+ 63.Kb8 Qh8+ 64.Kb7 Qg7+ 65.Kb8 Qf8+ 66.Kb7 Qe7+ 67.Kb8 Qb4+ 68.Ka8 Qa5 69.Kb8 Qd8+ 70.Kb7 Qd7+ 71.Kb8 Qb5+ 72.Ka8 Kf4 ½-½ (72) Wollongong2021 (3016)-Loin Sn (2826) Blitz 2022

9.h3 Bd7 10.Re1 Qa5 11.Nb3 Qc7 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Ne5 14.c3 Rfe8 15.Bd4 a5 16.f4 a4 17.Nd2 a3 18.b3 Bf5 19.fxe5 dxe5 20.Bf2 Qxc3 21.Nc4 Bc2 22.Rc1 Bxd1 23.Rxc3 Bxe2 24.Rxe2 Rac8 25.Rd3 f6 26.d6 exd6 27.Nxd6 Red8 28.Red2 Rc1+ 29.Kh2 Rd7 30.b4 f5 31.Rxa3 h5 32.h4 Bh6 33.Rd5 e4 34.Ra8+ Kh7 35.Bd4 Bf4+ 36.g3 Rc2+ 37.Kh3 g5 38.gxf4 g4+ 39.Kg3 Rd2 40.Rf8 e3 41.Rfxf5 e2 42.Rxh5+ Kg6 43.Rdg5# 1-0 (43) Unvieuxmonsieur (2876)-Yakamuzosan (2752) Blitz 2023

9.Kh1 Bd7 10.f4 Rc8 11.Qd2 Ng4 12.Bxg4 Bxg4 13.f5 e6 14.Nxc6 Rxc6 15.h3 Bh5 16.g4 Bxg4 17.hxg4 Qh4+ 18.Qh2 Qxg4 19.Rf4 Qg5 20.Rg1 Qe7 21.Rh4 exf5 22.Nd5 Qe6 23.Bg5 Re8 24.c3 Rc4 25.Qg2 Rxe4 26.Nc7 Rxh4+ 27.Bxh4 Qc4 28.Nxe8 Qxh4+ 29.Qh2 Qe4+ 30.Rg2 Qxe8 31.Qxd6 Qe1+ 32.Rg1 Qe4+ 33.Rg2 Be5 34.Qd1 h5 35.Qe2 Qf4 36.a4 h4 37.Rf2 Qg3 38.Rf3 Qg4 39.Re3 Bf4 40.Re8+ Kh7 41.Qxg4 fxg4 42.Re7 Kg7 43.Rxb7 Be3 44.b4 h3 45.Re7 Bd2 46.b5 g3 47.Re2 Bxc3 48.Re3 g2+ 49.Kh2 Bd4 50.Rg3 g1Q+ 51.Rxg1 Bxg1+ 0-1 (51) Polyclinical (2867)-Bambomatto (2694) Blitz 2020

[25] **9...Nxd4** 10.Bxd4 Be6

[10...Bd7 11.a5 Bc6 12.f3 Nd7 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Qd4+ Kg8 15.b4 a6 16.Rfd1 Rc8 17.Rd2 Qc7 18.Ra3 Nf6 19.Bf1 Rfd8 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Nd7 22.Re3 Ne5 23.f4 Ng4 24.Re1 Rb8 25.c4 b6 26.axb6 Qxb6 27.c5 dxc5 28.bxc5 Qa5 29.h3 Rb4 30.Qc3 Nf6 31.Ra1 Qxa1 32.Qxa1 Nxd5 33.Qa5 Rbb8 34.c6 1-0 (34) Athena Pallada (2848)-Theredking89 (2651) Blitz 2021]

[10...a5 11.Ra3 Bd7 12.Re1 Bc6 13.Bf1 e5 14.Be3 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.Qxd5 Bxd5 18.Rd1 Bc6 19.Bb6 e4 20.c3 f5 21.Bc4+ Kh8 22.Kf1 f4 23.Bb5 g5 24.Rb3 h5 25.Bxc6 bxc6 26.Bc5 Rfb8 27.Rxb8+ Rxb8 28.Rd2 Kh7 29.Ke2 Kg6 30.Rc2 Rb3 31.Rd2 Kf5 32.Kd1 Be5 33.Kc2 Rb8 34.b4 Ra8 35.Kb3 g4 36.b5 cxb5 37.axb5 a4+ 38.Kb4 a3 39.Kb3 a2 40.Rxa2 Rxa2 41.Kxa2 Bxc3 42.Kb3 Be5 43.Kc4 h4 44.b6 e3 45.fxe3 f3 46.gxf3 g3 47.hxg3 h3 48.e4+ Ke6 49.Bg1 Bxg3 50.Kb5 Kf6 51.Kc6 Kg5 52.b7 Bf4 53.Be3 1-0 (53) Athena Pallada (2840)-Theredking89 (2643) Blitz 2021]

11.a5 a6 12.Re1 Rc8 13.h3 Bc4 14.Ra3 Qd7 15.Nd5 Bxe2 16.Rxe2 Nxd5 17.exd5 Qb5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qd4+ Kg8 20.Rae3 Rc4 21.Qd3 Rc5 22.Qxb5 Rxb5 23.c4 Rxa5 24.Rxe7 b5 25.Rd7 bxc4 26.Rxd6 Rb5

27.Rc2 Rfb8 28.Rxc4 Rxb2 29.Rxa6 Rd2 30.Rf4 Rxd5 31.Ra7 Rf8 32.h4 h5 33.g3 Kg7 34.Kg2 Rd6 35.Ra3 Rf6 36.Re4 Rd8 37.Ra7 Rd2 38.Rf4 Rxf4 39.gxf4 Rd5 40.Kg3 Rf5 41.Re7 Rf6 42.Re5 Rf5 43.Kf3 Rf6 44.Ke4 Ra6 45.Kf3 Ra3+ 46.Kg2 Ra6 47.Rb5 Rf6 48.Kf3 Rf5 49.Rxf5 gxf5 50.Ke3 Kf6 51.Kd4 Ke6 52.Kc5 f6 53.Kc6 Ke7 54.Kc7 Ke6 55.Kc6 Ke7 56.Kc5 Ke6 57.f3 Ke7 58.Kd5 Kd7 59.Kc4 Ke6 60.Kd4 Kd6 61.Kc4 Kc6 62.Kc3 Kd6 63.Kd3 Kc6 64.Kc4 Kd6 65.Kb4 Kc6 66.Kb3 Kd6 67.Kc2 1-0 (67) Athena Pallada (2993)-Cxcx83 (2713) Blitz 2025

9...d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nxd5 Nxd4

[11...Qxd5 12.Bf3 Qd7 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Qxd7 Bxd7 15.c3 a5 16.Rfd1 Be8 17.Bc5 Bf6 18.Rd2 Rb8 19.Re1 Rb7 20.g3 Bd7 21.Red1 Be6 22.Kg2 Kg7 23.Re1 Rfb8 24.Ba3 Rc8 25.Rxe6 fxe6 26.Bg4 Kf7 27.Re2 Rd8 28.Bxe6+ Kg7 29.Bc4 Rd1 30.Re6 Ra1 31.Rxc6 Bxc3 32.Ba6 Ra7 33.Bc5 Rxa6 34.Rxa6 Bxb2 35.Rxa5 Ra2 36.Ra7 Kf6 37.Bxe7+ Kf5 38.Bc5 h5 39.a5 Bc3 40.a6 Ke5 41.Be3 Kd5 42.Ra8 Kc6 43.a7 1-0 (43) Athena Pallada (2908)-Zoubkovavila (2683) Blitz 2023]

12.Bxd4 Qxd5 13.Bxg7 Qxd1 14.Rfxd1 Kxg7 15.Bf3 Rb8 16.a5 Bf5 17.c3 Rfc8 18.Kf1 h5 19.Ke2 Kf6 20.Ke3 Rc5 21.Rd4 b6 22.Rb4 Re5+ 23.Kd2 Rd8+ 24.Rd4 Rxd4+ 25.cxd4 Rxa5 26.Rxa5 bxa5 27.h4 e5 28.Ke3 Ke6 29.g3 Kd6 30.Bd1 Be6 31.Ke4 Bd5+ 32.Ke3 Be6 33.Ke4 Bd5+ 34.Ke3 Bc4 35.Bf3 a4 36.Bd1 Bb3 37.Bf3 a5 38.Bb7 Bd5 39.Ba6 Bb3 40.Bb7 Ke6 41.dxe5 Kxe5 42.f4+ Kf5 43.Bf3 Ke6 44.Kd4 Kd6 45.Be4 Ke6 46.Bd3 Kd6 47.f5 gxf5 48.Bxf5 Bd1 49.Bd3 f6 50.Bg6 Kc6 51.Bd3 Kd6 52.Bf5 Kc6 53.g4 hxg4 54.h5 g3 55.h6 Bf3 56.Ke3 g2 57.Kf2 a3 58.bxa3 1-0 (58) Athena Pallada (2986)-Halfmillion2023 (2927) Blitz 2023

[26] **10.Nb3** a5

[10...Rc8 11.a5 Be6 12.a6 b6 13.Nd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bc4 15.Re1 Bxe2 16.Rxe2 Rc4 17.Rd2 Qc8 18.h3 Qc6 19.Ra3 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Qxe4 21.Re3 Qxd4 22.Rxd4 Rxd4 23.Qf3 Be5 24.Rxe5 dxe5 25.Qb7 Rfd8 26.Qxa7 R4d7 27.Qxb6 Rd6 28.Qa5 Ra8 29.Qxe5 Raxa6 30.Qxe7 Rd2 31.Qe8+ Kg7 32.Qe5+ Kg8 33.Qc3 Ra1+ 34.Kh2 Rxf2 35.b4 Ra2 36.Qc8+ Kg7 37.Qc3+ Kg8 38.Qc8+ Kg7 39.Qc3+ f6 40.b5 Raxc2 41.Qg3 Kf7 42.b6 Rf5 43.b7 Rb5 44.b8Q Rxb8 45.Qxb8 Re2 46.Qa7+ Re7 47.Qa2+ Kg7 48.g4 Re5 49.h4 h6 50.Kg3 g5 51.Qa7+ Kg8 52.h5 Kh8 53.Qc7 Kg8 54.Qd7 Kf8 55.Qh7 Re4 56.Qxh6+ Kf7 57.Qh7+ Ke6 58.Qxe4+ 1-0 (58) Athena Pallada (2812)-Niper13 (2568) Blitz 2021]

11.Qd2 Rc8 12.Rfd1 Ne5 13.f3 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Qf2 Rb4 16.Ra3 Qc7 17.h3 Rc8 18.Rd2 Be6 19.Nb5 Qb8 20.N5d4 Bd7 21.c3 Rxa4 22.Rxa4 Bxa4 23.Nxa5 b6 24.b3 Bd7 25.Nc4 b5 26.Na5 b4 27.c4 e6 28.Ra2 d5 29.exd5 exd5 30.c5 Rxc5 31.Ne6 Rxa5 32.Rxa5 Bxe6 33.Qa2 Ne8 34.Ra8 Qb5 35.Qa7 Bd7 36.Rd8 Bc6 37.Qb8 Qxb8 38.Rxb8 d4 39.Bd2 d3 40.Bxb4 Be5 41.Rd8 Bb5 42.Kf2 Kg7 43.Rd5 d2 44.Bxd2 Nc7 45.Rxe5

Bd7 46.Bh6+ Kxh6 47.Re7 Be6 48.Rd7 Bd5 49.Rxc7 Be6 50.Rc3 Kg7 51.b4 Kf6 52.b5 Bd5 53.b6 Ke7 54.b7 Bxb7 55.Rc7+ Ke6 56.Rxb7 Kf6 57.Re7 1-0 (57) Athena Pallada (2834)-Theredking89 (2649) Blitz 2021

[27] **10...a6** 11.f3
[11.Rfd1 Rc8 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.f3 Qc7 14.a5 Nd7 15.Bd4 Rfd8 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qd4+ f6 18.Bc4 Nc5 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.Bxd5 e6 21.Ba2 Qe7 22.Rd2 Rc6 23.Rad1 Nd7 24.Bb3 Nc5 25.Bc4 Rdc8 26.b3 Nd7 27.Bf1 g5 28.c4 Ne5 29.Qe3 Ng6 30.Rd4 Qc7 31.Qd2 Rd8 32.g3 e5 33.Rd5 Nf8 34.Bh3 Kf7 35.Bf5 Ne6 36.Bxe6+ Kxe6 37.Kg2 Rc5 38.Qb4 Ke7 39.R1d3 Rd7 40.Qd2 Qc6 41.Kf1 h6 42.f4 Rxd5 43.Rxd5 Rc7 44.f5 Qd7 45.Qe2 Qe8 46.Qd2 Rc6 47.Ke2 Qh5+ 48.Kf1 Qf3+ 49.Kg1 Qxe4 50.Qb4 Qxf5 51.Qxb7+ Qd7 52.Qb8 Rc8 53.Qb6 Qc6 54.Qxc6 Rxc6 55.Kf2 f5 56.g4 f4 57.Kf3 Rc5 58.h3 Rc8 59.Ke4 Rb8 60.Rd3 Ke6 0-1 (60) Evilgenius94 (2895)-Renjiehuang6 (2838) Blitz 2022]
11...Rc8 12.Nb3 Ne5 13.a5 Be6 14.Nd4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Bxc4 16.Rfd1 Qc7 17.Na4 Nd7 18.b3 Bb5 19.c4 Bxa4 20.Rxa4 Nc5 21.Ra3 Ne6 22.Ne2 Qc6 23.Nc3 Nc7 24.Ra2 Rfe8 25.h4 h5 26.Bb6 Ne6 27.Nd5 Nc5 28.Qe3 e6 29.Nb4 1-0 (29) Athena Pallada (2989)-Workmouse1 (2756) Blitz 2025

[28] **14.Nd4** Bc6 15.Ncb5 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 e5 17.Nb3 Rxc2 18.Qxd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 Rec8 20.Nxa5 Rxb2 21.Nc4 Rb3 22.Rad1 h6 23.Kf2 Nc2 24.Rd8+ Rxd8 25.Rxd8+ Kh7 26.Bb6 Nd4 27.Bxd4 exd4 28.e5 Nh5 29.Rxd4 Rb4 30.g4 Bxe5 31.Re4 Bxh2 32.gxh5 gxh5 33.Re7 Kg7 34.Rxb7 Bf4 35.a5 h4 36.Kg2 Rb3 37.a6 h5 38.a7 h3+ 39.Kxh3 Rxf3+ 40.Kg2 Rg3+ 41.Kf2 1-0 (41) Athena Pallada (3037)-Yakamuzosan (2703) Blitz 2023

[29] **6...Nc6** 7.Bg2
[7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.Bg2 *(8.b3 Bg7 9.Bb2 Nxe4 10.Qf3 Qa5 11.0-0-0 Nxc3 12.Qxc6+ Kd8 13.Qxa8 Nxa2+ 14.Kb1 Nc3+ 15.Kc1 Nxd1 16.Bxg7 Nxf2 17.Bxh8 Qe1+ 18.Kb2 Nd1+ 19.Ka2 Qa5+ 20.Kb1 Kc7* 1-0 (20) Scaredbishop (2871)-Tigerlilov (2688) Blitz 2024*)* 8...Qc7 9.b3
A) 9...Ba6 10.Bb2 Bg7 11.Qd2 0-0 12.0-0-0 Rab8 *(12...Bb7 13.h3 a5 14.Na4 c5 15.Rhe1 Bc6 16.e5 Bxg2 17.exf6 exf6 18.Qxd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 c4 20.h4 cxb3 21.axb3 f5 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Kb2 Rfe8 24.Rxe8 Rxe8 25.Nc3 Re5 26.Rd4 h6 27.Kc1 g5 28.hxg5 hxg5 29.Kd2 f6 30.Nd1 Be4 31.Ne3 Kg6 32.Nc4 Rc5 33.Ne3 Bf3 34.c4 Rc8 35.Kc3 Rh8 36.c5 Rh2 37.Rd2 Bc6 38.Nc4 a4 39.Na5 Bb5 40.bxa4 Bxa4 41.c6 Bb5 42.c7 Ba6 43.Nc6 Rh7 44.Rd6 Rxc7 45.Kd4 Bb7 46.Ne5+ Kg7 47.Nd7 f4 48.gxf4 gxf4 49.Nxf6 f3 50.Ng4 Re7 51.Ne5 Ba8 52.Ra6 Bb7 53.Rb6 Bc8 54.Rg6+ Kh7 55.Rg3 Bf5 56.Rxf3 Be6 57.Rf6 Kg7 58.Rg6+ Kh7 59.Rg5 Bc8 60.f4 Be6 61.Ke4 Ra7 62.f5 Ra4+ 63.Ke3 Bxf5 64.Rxf5 Kh6 65.Rf3 Ra3+ 66.Nd3 Kg5 67.Rg3+ Kh4 68.Rf3*

Kg4 69.Rf8 Kg5 70.Rg8+ Kf6 71.Rg2 Ke6 72.Rd2 Kd5 73.Ke2 Kc4 74.Ne1 Kc3 75.Rd3+ Kb4 76.Rd2 Kb3 77.Rb2+ Kxb2 78.Nd3+ Time forfeit 1-0 (78) Toomanymanoevres (2876)-Mischuk,D (2705) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Rhe1 Rfe8 14.f4 Qa5 15.Kb1 c5 16.e5 dxe5 17.fxe5 Ng4 18.Nd5 Qxd2 19.Rxd2 Bb7 20.h3 Nh6 21.g4 Kf8 22.Rf2 Red8 23.Nf4 Ke8 24.Bxb7 Rxb7 25.e6 Bxb2 26.exf7+ Nxf7 27.Kxb2 Rd6 28.Ne6 c4 29.Re3 cxb3 30.axb3 a5 31.Rf4 Rb4 32.Rxb4 axb4 33.Nc5 h5 34.gxh5 gxh5 35.Re4 Ng5 36.Rh4 Nf3 37.Rxh5 Rd2 38.Nd3 Nd4 39.Nxb4 Kd7 40.Rd5+ Ke6 41.Kc3 1-0 (41) Herushkanamura (2918)-Aybabtu (2680) Blitz 2022;

B) 9...Bg7 10.Bb2 0-0 11.0-0 a5 12.Qd2 Nd7 13.Na4 Bxb2 14.Nxb2 Ba6 15.Rfe1 Rfb8 16.Rad1 Bb5 17.a4 Ba6 18.f4 Rb4 19.Kh1 1-0 (19) Herushkanamura (2939)-Nadigraj (2799) Blitz 2022]

[7.Nde2 Bg7 *(7...Bg4 8.Bg2 Ne5 9.h3 Bf3 10.0-0 Bg7 11.Bf4 Nfd7 12.Be3 0-0 13.Bd4 Rc8 14.Re1 a6 15.a4 Rc4 16.Qd2 Qa5 17.Rad1 Rfc8 18.b3 Rxd4 19.Qxd4 Bxe2* 0-1 (19) Russianblizzard (2809)-Muisback (2964) Blitz 2021 *)* 8.Bg2

A) 8...Bd7 9.h3 Qc8 10.b3 *(10.Nf4 h5 11.Ncd5 Ne5 12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.Nd5 Bg7 14.a4 e6 15.Ne3 Qc5 16.Ra2 Rc8 17.b3 0-0 18.0-0 Nc6 19.c4 Nd4 20.Rd2 e5 21.Rd3 Be6 22.Nc2 Nxc2 23.Qxc2 f5 24.Be3 Qc7 25.Rfd1 f4 26.gxf4 exf4 27.Bd4 Bxd4 28.Rxd4 f3 29.Bf1 Rcd8 30.Qd2 Qe7 31.Rxd6 Rxd6 32.Qxd6 Qg5+ 33.Qg3 Qf6 34.Rd6 h4 35.e5 hxg3 36.exf6 Rxf6 37.fxg3 f2+ 38.Kh2 Kf7 39.b4 Ke7 40.c5 Rf3 41.Kg2 Ra3 42.a5 Ra4 43.Rd4 Ra1 44.Kxf2 a6 45.h4* 1-0 (45) Russianblizzard (2814)-Benj49 (2679) Blitz 2021*; 10.g4 h5 11.g5 Nh7 12.h4 Nf8 13.Ng3 Ne6 14.0-0 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Nc5 16.f4 Bh3 17.Be3 Bxg2 18.Kxg2 Qg4 19.Qxg4 hxg4 20.Bxc5 dxc5 21.Rh1 0-0-0 22.Raf1 Na5 23.h5 Nc4 24.Re1 Rd2+ 25.Re2 Rxe2+ 26.Nxe2 gxh5 27.Ng3 h4 28.Nf5 h3+ 29.Kg3 e6 30.Nh6 f6 31.Kxg4 Ne3+ 32.Kf3 Nxc2 33.Rxh3 fxg5 34.fxg5 Rh7 35.g6 Rg7 36.Rg3 Na3 37.Nf7 Nc4 38.Kf4 Kd7 39.Kg5 Ke7 40.Kh6 Rxf7 41.gxf7 Nd6 42.Rg7 Nxe4 43.Kg6 Nd6 44.Rg8* 1-0 (44) Russianblizzard (2813)-Prem0Ve (2705) Blitz 2022*)* 10...0-0 *(10...Rb8 11.Bb2 0-0 12.Qd2 Re8 13.0-0-0 b5 14.h4 Ng4 15.Nf4 Bh6 16.f3 Nf6 17.g4 Bxg4 18.fxg4 Qxg4 19.Rhf1 Nh5 20.Ncd5 Nxf4 21.Rxf4 Bxf4 22.Nxf4 Ne5 23.Nd5 Qxh4 24.Rh1 Qg3 25.Qh6 f6 26.Qxh7+ Kf8 27.Qh8+ Kf7 28.Rh7+ Ke6 29.Rxe7+ Rxe7 30.Qxf6+* 1-0 (30) Nozdrachev,V (2845)-Samarqand2021 (2855) Blitz 2021*)* 11.Bb2 a6 12.a4 Rb8 13.Qd2 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Nd1 b4 16.Ra2 Rd8 17.Ne3 h6 18.g4 Ne5 19.0-0 Bb5 20.Rfa1 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 g5 22.Nf5 Ng6 23.Qd2 Rd7 24.Nxg7 Kxg7 25.Ra7 Nf4 26.Bf1 e5 27.f3 Rbb7 28.Rxb7 Qxb7 29.Qf2 Rc7

30.Kh2 Qc8 31.Bc4 h5 32.Kg3 Qh8 33.Qh2 Qh7 34.Rd1 Rc6 35.h4 hxg4 36.hxg5 N6h5+ 37.Kxg4 Qh8 38.Rh1 Qc8+ 39.Kh4 Rxc4 40.bxc4 Qxc4 41.Kg4 Qe6+ 42.Kh4 Qc8 43.Qg1 Qh8 44.Kg4 Qc8+ 45.Kh4 Qxc2 46.Rh2 Qc8 47.Qg4 Ng6+ 48.Kh3 Nhf4+ 49.Kg3 Qxg4+ 50.Kxg4 Kf8 51.Rd2 Ke7 52.Bc1 Ne6 53.Rb2 Nc5 54.Be3 Nd3 55.Rb3 Nc5 56.Rxb4 Nd7 57.Rb7 Ke6 58.Ra7 Ngf8 59.Ra6 Ng6 60.f4 exf4 61.Bxf4 Nge5+ 62.Bxe5 Nxe5+ 63.Kf4 Ng6+ 64.Kf3 Ne5+ 65.Kf4 Nd7 66.Kf3 Nc5 0-1 (66) Rosagasa (2878)-MIchael (2904) Blitz 2021;

B) 8...0-0 9.a4 Bd7 10.h3 Qc8 11.Be3 Nb4 12.Qd2 d5 13.exd5 Rd8 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.dxe6 Rxd2 16.exf7+ Kxf7 17.Rxd2 Ne8 18.Bf4 Nd6 19.Bxd6 exd6 20.h4 Bh6 21.f4 Qc4 22.Rf1 Bg7 23.b3 Qc8 24.Nb5 Kg8 25.c3 Qc5 26.Kd1 Nc6 27.Nxd6 Qa3 28.Bd5+ Kf8 29.f5 Ke7 30.f6+ Bxf6 31.Nb5 Qa1+ 32.Nc1 Rd8 33.Re2+ Ne5 34.c4 g5 35.Kc2 gxh4 36.Nc3 hxg3 37.Rfe1 Qa3 38.Nd3 Kf8 39.Nxe5 h5 40.Nb5 Qa2+ 41.Kc3 Bxe5+ 42.Rxe5 Qh2 43.Rf1+ Kg7 44.Re7+ Kh6 45.Re6+ Kg5 46.Nd4 Kg4 47.Re4+ Kh3 48.Nf5 Qd2+ 49.Kxd2 Rxd5+ 50.cxd5 h4 51.Rxh4+ Kg2 52.Ne3# 1-0 (52) Fipsi,X (2908)-Aks Mantissa (2636) Blitz 2024]

7...Nxd4 8.Qxd4 Bg7 9.Qd3 0-0 10.0-0 Be6

[10...Rb8 11.Be3 a6 12.a4 Ng4 13.Bf4 Be6 14.Qd2 Ne5 15.Rad1 Rc8 16.Qc1 Nc4 17.Rd3 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.b3 Ne5 20.Re3 Ng4 21.Rd3 Rxc3 0-1 (21) Nozdrachev,V (2853)-Sergeiaza (2698) Blitz 2024]

11.Bg5 Rc8 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Bf5 14.Be4 Bxe4 15.Qxe4 Qb6 16.Rab1 Qa6 17.a3 Rc4 18.Qe2 Rfc8 19.c3 Qa5 20.Rfe1 Bf6 21.Bxf6 exf6 22.Qe7 Qxd5 23.Rbd1 Qf5 24.Rxd6 R4c7 25.Rd8+ 1-0 (25) Buestru (2970)-Chess Ark (2758) Blitz 2024

[30] **7.h3** Nc6 8.Nde2 Qa5 9.Bg2 0-0 10.0-0 Bd7 11.a4 Rac8 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Be3 b6 14.c3 Nxd5 15.exd5 Na5 16.b3 Bxc3 17.Nxc3 Rxc3 18.b4 Nb7 19.Bh6 Rc4 20.Qd3 Qc7 21.Bxf8 Kxf8 22.Qd2 a5 23.bxa5 bxa5 24.Rfc1 Rxc1+ 25.Rxc1 Nc5 26.Qd4 f6 27.Qe3 Bxa4 28.Qh6+ Kg8 29.Qe3 Be8 30.Qa3 a4 31.Bf3 Bd7 32.h4 Qb6 33.Qe3 e5 34.dxe6 Bxe6 35.Qc3 Kg7 36.Rd1 Qb3 37.Qxb3 axb3 38.Rxd6 b2 39.Rb6 Na4 40.Rb7+ Kh6 41.Be4 Nc5 42.Rxb2 Nxe4 43.Re2 Bd5 44.Re3 f5 45.Ra3 Bf7 46.Ra5 Kg7 47.Ra7 Nf6 48.f3 h5 49.Kf2 Nd5 50.Ra3 f4 51.Ra5 fxg3+ 52.Kxg3 Ne7 53.f4 Nf5+ 54.Kh3 Be6 55.Ra7+ Kf6 56.Kh2 Nxh4 57.Kg3 Nf5+ 58.Kf2 Nd4 59.Ra8 Nf5 60.Rf8+ Kg7 61.Rb8 1-0 (61) Russianblizzard (2837)-Chess Attack Juras (2618) Blitz 2022

[31] **7...h5** 8.h3 Nc6 9.Nde2 0-0

[9...Be6 10.0-0 Qd7 11.Kh2 h4 12.g4 Bxg4 13.hxg4 Nxg4+ 14.Kh1 h3 15.Bf3 Nge5 16.Ng3 0-0-0 17.Be2 f5 18.f4 Nf7 19.exf5 gxf5 20.Nxf5 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Kb8 22.Nd4 e5 23.Bg4 Qe8 24.Ne6 Rc8 25.Ng7

Qe7 26.Bxc8 Rxc8 27.Nf5 Qe6 28.fxe5 Ncxe5 29.Be3 Rxc3 30.Bg1 Qc4 31.Nd4 Ng5 32.Rf8+ Kc7 33.Rb1 Qd5+ 34.Kh2 Kd7 35.Qe2 a6 36.Rbf1 Kc7 37.R8f5 Ne4 38.R1f4 Ng3 39.Rf7+ Nxf7 40.Qe7+ Kb8 41.Qf8+ Rc8 42.Qxf7 Qg2# 0-1 (42) Russianblizzard (2850)-Lu,S (2896) Blitz 2022]

10.b3 Bd7 11.Bb2 Rc8 12.0-0 Nh7 13.Rb1 Ne5 14.f4 Nc6 15.Qd2 Qa5 16.a3 Qa6 17.Rfe1 Na5 18.Nd5 1-0 (18) Herushkanamura (2933)-Ajedrezlapalma (2669) Blitz 2023

7...Nc6 8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.Qd2 [9.e5 dxe5 10.Bxc6+ *(10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.0-0 Kc7 12.Re1 Nd7 13.Bd2 Rb8 14.Na4 Nb6 15.Ba5 f5 16.c4 Kb7 17.Nc5+ Kc7 18.Nd3 e4 19.c5 Kd7 20.cxb6 axb6 21.Bb4 c5 22.Bxc5 bxc5 23.Nxc5+ Ke8 24.Rab1 Rxb2 25.Rxb2 Bxb2 26.a4 Kf7 27.Bf1 Rd8 28.Rb1 Bd4 29.Nb3 Ba7 30.Na5 Rd2 31.Bc4+ Kf6 32.Rf1 e3* 0-1 (32) Cutemouse83 (2849)-Smurf42 (2654) Blitz 2020*)* 10...Bd7 11.Bg2 Rb8 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 Qa5 14.Re1 Bf5 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Rxe5 Bxc2 17.Rxe7 a5 18.Re2 Bd3 19.Re5 Ng4 20.Rd5 Bc4 21.Rd1 Rfe8 22.h3 Ne5 23.b3 Nf3+ 24.Bxf3 Bxc3 25.Rb1 Be2 26.Bxe2 Rxe2 27.a3 Ra2 28.a4 Re8 29.Bh6 f5 30.Be3 Be5 31.Rd3 h6 32.Rbd1 g5 33.Rd8 Rxd8 34.Rxd8+ Kf7 35.Rd5 Ke6 36.Rxa5 f4 37.gxf4 gxf4 38.Bb6 f3 39.Rxe5+ Kxe5 40.a5 Kd5 41.b4 Kc6 42.Bc5 Kb5 43.Kh2 Ra1 44.Kg3 Rh1 45.h4 h5 46.Be7 Ka6 47.Kxf3 Rh3+ 48.Kf4 Rb3 49.f3 Kb5 50.Ke4 Rb1 51.f4 Re1+ 52.Kf5 Rxe7 53.Kg5 Kxb4 54.f5 Kxa5 55.Kxh5 Rf7 56.Kg6 Rf8 57.f6 Rc8 58.h5 Rc1 59.h6 Rg1+ 60.Kh7 Kb6 61.f7 Rf1 62.Kg7 Rg1+ 63.Kf8 Rf1 64.h7 Rh1 65.Ke8 Re1+ 66.Kd8 Rf1 67.h8Q Rxf7 68.Qd4+ Kc6 69.Qe4+ Kd6 70.Qd3+ Ke6 71.Qb3+ Kf6 72.Qf3+ Kg7 73.Qg4+ Kf8 74.Qb4+ Kg8 75.Qd4 Rg7 76.Qd5+ Kh7 77.Qd7 Kh6 78.Qxg7+ Kxg7 ½-½ (78) Herushkanamura (2915)-Smurf42 (2757) Blitz 2022]

9...0-0 10.b3 a5 11.Bb2 Nd7 12.0-0 Nc5 13.Nd1 Bxb2 14.Nxb2 Be6 15.f4 f6 16.Kh1 Bf7 17.Rad1 Qc7 18.Qc3 e5 19.Rd2 Kg7 20.a4 Ne6 21.Nc4 Nd4 22.Ne3 Be6 23.Rdf2 Rad8 24.f5 Bg8 25.h4 Qe7 26.g4 d5 27.Qxa5 Kh8 28.Qc3 gxf5 29.Nxf5 Nxf5 30.Rxf5 Be6 31.Rxf6 d4 32.Qa5 c5 33.g5 Rxf6 34.Rxf6 Rf8 35.Rxf8+ Qxf8 36.Qd2 c4 37.bxc4 Bxc4 38.a5 Qa3 39.Kh2 Qa1 40.Qb4 1-0 (40) Toomanymanoevres (2920)-Sakali (2725) Blitz 2023

[32] **8.h3** Nc6 [8...e6 9.0-0 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nxd5 exd5 12.c3 Nc6 13.Be3 h5 14.Re1 Re8 15.Qd2 Be6 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Rad1 Kh7 18.Bg5 Bf6 19.Bf4 Qd7 20.Qc2 Rad8 21.h4 Qf7 22.Qb3 Na5 23.Qa4 b6 24.Be5 Bxe5 25.Rxe5 Nc4 26.Re2 Kg7 27.Rde1 e5 28.b3 Nd6 29.Rxe5 Ne4 30.Qd4 1-0 (30) Russianblizzard (2878)-Dhfernandez (2752) Blitz 2023]

[8...a6 9.a4 Qc7 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 e5 12.dxe6 fxe6 13.0-0 Nc6 14.Be3 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bd7 16.c4 Bc6 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.b3 Bxg2 19.Kxg2 Qc6+ 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qd4+ e5 22.Qe3 Qc5 23.Qe4

Qc6 24.Rad1 Qxe4 25.fxe4 Rxf1 26.Kxf1 Kf6 27.Ke2 Ke6 28.a5 Rf8 29.Rf1 Rc8 30.Kd3 Rc6 31.b4 Rc7 32.Rf8 Ke7 33.Rh8 Ke6 34.Rb8 Kd7 35.b5 axb5 36.cxb5 Ke6 37.g4 d5 38.Re8+ Kd7 39.Rxe5 dxe4+ 40.Rxe4 Rc1 41.Ra4 Kc7 1-0 (41) Russianblizzard (2843)-Econpower (2683) Blitz 2023]

[8...Qb6 9.Nde2 Nc6 10.0-0 Be6 11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.a4 a5 14.Ra2 Rac8 15.b3 Rfd8 16.Be3 Qc7 17.c4 e6 18.Nc3 Nfd7 19.Nb5 Qb8 20.dxe6 fxe6 21.Qxd6 Qxd6 22.Nxd6 Rc7 1-0 (22) Russianblizzard (2823)-Andsangarzon (2618) Blitz 2022]

9.Be3

[9.Nde2

A) 9...Rb8 10.a4 a5 *(10...b6 11.0-0 Bb7 12.Re1 Qd7 13.Nd5 e6 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.c3 Rfd8 16.Nd4 Nxd4 17.cxd4 d5 18.e5 Be7 19.Qg4 Rbc8 20.Bg5 Ba6 21.Re3 Rc2 22.b3 Rdc8 23.h4 h5 24.Qf4 Bf8 25.g4 hxg4 26.Qxg4 R8c3 27.Rae1 Rxe3 28.Rxe3 Qc6 29.h5 Rc1+ 30.Kh2 Bf1 31.hxg6 fxg6 32.Bf6 Kf7 33.Rf3 Bxg2 34.Kxg2 Qc2 35.Bg5+ Kg7 36.Bxc1* 1-0 (36) Russianblizzard (2826)-Teddybear2005 (2667) Blitz 2022*)* 11.0-0 Nb4 12.Be3 b6 13.Re1 Ba6 14.Nf4 Rc8 15.Rc1 Nd7 16.Nfd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rxc3 19.Bh6 Rc5 20.Qd4 Nf6 21.Rb1 Bc4 22.Rxb6 Qxb6 23.Rxe7 Qd8 24.Qxf6 1-0 (24) Russianblizzard (2838)-Sakali (2725) Blitz 2023;

B) 9...e5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Nd5 Qd7 12.Kh2 Bxd5 13.exd5 Ne7 14.c4 Rfc8 15.Qd3 b5 16.cxb5 Rc5 17.Nc3 e4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Rxb5 20.Bg2 Bxb2 21.Rb1 Rab8 22.Bg5 f6 23.Be3 R8b7 24.a4 Rb3 25.Qc2 Nf5 26.Bf4 Nd4 27.Qe4 f5 28.Qe1 Nf3+ 29.Bxf3 Rxf3 30.Qe2 Rfb3 31.Rfe1 Bf6 32.Rxb3 Rxb3 33.Qc4 Rb2 34.Kg2 a5 35.Re6 Be5 36.Bxe5 dxe5 37.Rxe5 Rb4 38.Qe2 Rxa4 39.Qa6 Re4 40.Rxe4 fxe4 41.Qa8+ Kf7 42.Qxa5 Qf5 43.Qc7+ Kg8 44.Qd8+ Kg7 45.Qe7+ Kg8 46.Qe8+ Kg7 47.Qb5 Qf3+ 48.Kg1 e3 49.fxe3 Qxg3+ 50.Kf1 Qf3+ 51.Ke1 Qxe3+ 52.Kd1 Qxh3 53.Kd2 Qg2+ 54.Kc3 Qg3+ 55.Kd4 Qf2+ 56.Ke4 Qg2+ 57.Kd4 Qg4+ 58.Kc3 h5 59.d6 Qf3+ 60.Kc4 Qf4+ 61.Kc5 Qe5+ 62.Kc6 Qe8+ 63.d7 Qe6+ 64.Kc7 Qe7 65.Qc6 Kh6 66.Qd6 Qe2 67.Qe7 Qc2+ 68.Kd8 g5 69.Ke8 Qa2 70.d8Q Qa4+ 71.Qdd7 Kg6 72.Qee6# 1-0 (72) Russianblizzard (2809)-Dontblinktwice (2718) Blitz 2022;

C) 9...Be6 10.Nd5 *(10.a4 Nb4 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Nd4 Nd7 13.Nxe6 fxe6 14.Be3 Qa5 15.Rb1 Nb6 16.Qg4 Kf7 17.f4 Nxc2 18.Bf2 Nc4 19.Qe2 Nd4 20.Qd3 Nxb2 21.Rxb2 Rxc3 22.Qd1 Rc4 23.Rxb7 Qxa4 24.Qg4 h5 25.Qd1 Rfc8 26.Kh2 Qxd1 27.Rxd1 a5 28.Ra7 a4 29.g4 hxg4 30.hxg4 Ne2 31.Bh4 Rh8 32.Kh3 Rc3+ 33.Bf3 Rxf3+ 34.Kg2 Rxf4 35.Bxe7 Kg8 36.Bxd6 Rxe4 37.Ra8+ Kf7 38.Rf1+ Nf4+ 39.Kf3 Rd4 40.Ra7+ Kf6 41.Bxf4 e5 42.Be3 Rd6 43.Kg2+ Ke6 44.Rxg7 Rd3 45.Rxg6+ Kd5*

46.Bf2 Ke4 47.Ra6 Rhh3 48.Rxa4+ Kd5 49.Rb1 Ke6 50.Rb6+ Kf7 51.Ra7+ Ke8 52.Rb8+ 1-0 (52) Russianblizzard (2820)-Pfbc (2705) Blitz 2023*)* 10...Nd7 11.0-0 b5 12.c3 Rb8 13.Be3 Nc5 14.Nd4 Bd7 15.Qc2 a5 16.a3 Nxd4 17.cxd4 Ne6 18.Qd2 Nc7 19.Nxc7 Qxc7 20.Rfc1 Qa7 21.d5 Qa6 22.Rc7 Rb7 23.Rac1 Rfb8 24.Bd4 b4 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Qd4+ f6 27.Bf1 Qa8 28.h4 h5 29.Kg2 bxa3 30.bxa3 Rxc7 31.Rxc7 Rb7 32.Rc2 Qa7 33.Qd2 Rc7 34.Rb2 Rc5 35.Be2 Qc7 36.Bf3 Rc3 37.Rb7 Qxb7 38.Qxc3 a4 39.Qa5 Qb3 40.Qd8 1-0 (40) Russianblizzard (2858)-Bettercollsoul (2769) Blitz 2023]

9...Bd7

[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 *(10...Bd7 11.0-0 Qa5 12.Re1 Bc6 13.Qd2 Rfd8 14.Rad1 Rac8 15.a3 a6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxd5 18.exd5 Kf8 19.Bb6 Re8 20.c3 Nd7 21.Be3 Ne5 22.Rde2 Nc4 23.Bg5 Bf6 24.Bh6+ Kg8 25.h4 Nxb2 26.Rxb2 Bxc3 27.Reb1 Bxb2 28.Rxb2 b5 29.Rb3 Rc4 30.Re3 f5 31.Bf1 Rc5 32.Rd3 Kf7 33.Be3 Rc2 34.a4 b4 35.a5 Rb8 36.Bb6 Rb2 37.Rd1 Ra8 38.Bc4 Rc2 39.Rd4 Rc1+ 40.Kg2 Kf6 41.Bb3 Rb1 42.Rxb4 Rc8 43.Rc4 Rxc4 44.Bxc4 Ke5 45.Bxa6 Kxd5 46.Bb7+ Ke6 47.a6 Rxb6 48.a7 Rxb7 49.a8Q Rb5 50.Qg8+ Kf6 51.Qxh7 Re5 52.Qh6 Kf7 53.f3 d5 54.Qh7+ Kf6 55.Qh8+ Ke6 56.Qg7 Kd7 57.Qxe5* 1-0 (57) Toomanymanoevres (2817)-Darkmaul11 (2610) Blitz 2023*)* 11.0-0 Qa5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Bxd5 14.b4 Qb5 15.Bxg7 Bxg2 16.Bxf8 Bxf1 17.Bxe7 Bxh3 18.Qxd6 Re8 19.Re1 Qf5 20.Qd3 Qxd3 21.cxd3 b5 22.Re3 Bd7 23.a3 f5 24.Kf1 Kf7 25.Bc5 Rxe3 26.fxe3 g5 27.Bxa7 Kg6 28.Ke2 h5 29.Bb8 Bc6 30.Kd2 f4 31.gxf4 g4 32.e4 h4 33.Ke3 g3 34.f5+ Kg5 35.Kf3 Be8 36.Bf4+ Kh5 37.d4 Bc6 38.d5 Bb7 39.Bc7 Ba8 40.Bd8 Bb7 41.f6 Kg6 42.f7 Kxf7 43.Bxh4 g2 44.Kxg2 1-0 (44) Elektromagnit (2824)-Ihmelnyk (2700) Blitz 2021]

10.0-0 Rc8 11.Nde2 a6 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Ne5 14.b3 Bf5 15.Nd4 Nd7 16.c4 b5 17.g4 e5 18.Nc6 Qe8 19.gxf5 gxf5 20.Qh5 f4 21.Bd2 bxc4 22.bxc4 Nc5 23.Qf5 Kh8 24.Bb4 Qd7 25.Qxd7 Nxd7 26.Bxd6 1-0 (26) Toomanymanoevres (2888)-Cachs (2578) Blitz 2024

[33] **8...Bd7** 9.Re1 Nc6 10.Nb3

[10.Nxc6 Bxc6 11.Be3 Rc8 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5 Nd7 14.c3 a5 15.Qe2 Re8 16.Rad1 Nc5 17.Qb5 Qd7 18.Bf1 Qf5 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.d6 Rb8 21.Rxe7 Red8 22.Bc4 1-0 (22) Tabletopwarrior (2850)-Yakamuzosan (2727) Blitz 2023]

10...a5 11.a3 a4 12.Nd2 Nd4 13.Nc4 Ng4 14.h3 Ne5 15.Nxe5 dxe5 16.Nd5 Bc6 17.Bg5 f6 18.Be3 f5 19.c3 Nb3 20.Rb1 e6 21.Nb4 Bxe4 22.Qxd8 Raxd8 23.Bxe4 fxe4 24.Re2 h6 25.Rbe1 Rd6 26.Kg2 Rc8 27.Bc1 Nc5 28.Be3 Nd3 29.Rf1 Rc4 30.Bc1 g5 31.Nc2 Kf7 32.Ne3 Rc8 33.Ng4 h5 34.Nh2 Kg6 35.Rxe4 Nxc1 36.Rxc1 Rd2 37.Rb4 Rf8 38.Nf3 Rd3 39.Ng1 Rd2 40.Rf1 b5 41.Nf3 Rd3 42.Nh2 Rd2 43.g4 hxg4 44.Nxg4 e4 45.Rxb5 Rf3 46.Rb4 Kf5 47.Re1 Rf4 48.c4 Bf8

49.Rb5+ Kg6 50.Kf1 Rc2 51.Re2 Rxc4 52.Ne5+ Kh5 53.Nxc4 1-0 (53) Elektromagnit (2886)-Elfugitivo (2860) Blitz 2022

8...Nfd7 9.h3 Nc6 10.Nde2 Rb8 11.a4 b6 12.Be3 Bb7 13.Rb1 Rc8 14.Nd5 e6 15.Ndf4 Qe7 16.b3 Rfd8 17.c4 a5 18.Qd2 Nc5 19.Nc3 Nb4 20.Rfd1 Bxc3 21.Qxc3 Nxe4 22.Qb2 Nc5 23.Bxb7 Qxb7 24.Bd4 e5 25.Bxc5 bxc5 26.Nd5 Nc6 27.Qd2 Qa7 28.Qh6 f5 29.Nf6+ Kh8 30.Qe3 Nd4 31.Nd5 Rf8 32.f4 Rce8 33.fxe5 Rxe5 34.Qd3 Rfe8 35.Rb2 Qg7 36.Rf2 Qh6 37.Kg2 Qg5 38.Qd2 Re3 39.Nxe3 Rxe3 40.g4 fxg4 41.Rf8+ Kg7 42.Qf2 Re2 43.h4 Qxh4 44.Qxe2 Nxe2 45.Rf2 Qh3# 0-1 (45) Russianblizzard (2841)-Nguyen,D (2710) Blitz 2021

8...Qc7 9.Nd5 Nxd5 10.exd5 Nd7 11.Re1 Bf6 12.Bh6 Re8 13.c3 Ne5 14.h3 Nc4 15.Qe2 Bd7 16.Rad1 Rac8 17.b3 Nb6 18.c4 Qc5 19.Nf3 e6 20.Be3 Qb4 21.dxe6 Bxe6 22.Nd4 Bxd4 23.Rxd4 Rcd8 24.Red1 Nc8 25.Bg5 Rd7 26.Bf6 Qc5 27.Qe3 Qf5 28.Rf4 Qc5 29.Qd2 Bf5 30.Re4 Re6 31.Qh6 Rxf6 32.Re8# 1-0 (32) Nozdrachev,V (2838)-Vadapav2609 (2602) Blitz 2024

[34] **9.Nxc6** bxc6 10.Be3 Ng4 11.Bd2 Rb8 12.Rb1 Ba6 13.Re1 Bd4 14.Qxg4 Qa5 15.Bf1 Bxf1 16.Rxf1 Rb7 17.Qf3 Rfb8 18.Qd3 Bg7 19.b3 Qh5 20.Nd1 d5 21.exd5 cxd5 22.Bc3 d4 23.Bd2 e5 24.Nb2 f5 25.Rfe1 e4 26.Qc4+ Kh8 27.Bf4 Rg8 28.Qe2 Qh3 29.Qf1 Qh5 30.Nc4 g5 31.Be5 Bxe5 32.Nxe5 Re8 33.f4 Rb6 34.Nc4 Rh6 35.Qe2 gxf4 36.Qxh5 Rxh5 37.gxf4 Rh4 38.Rbd1 Rxf4 39.Rxd4 Rg8+ 40.Kh1 Rf2 41.Rd2 Rgg2 42.Rxf2 Rxf2 43.Ne3 f4 44.Nd5 f3 45.Kg1 Rg2+ 46.Kh1 Rxc2 47.h4 Re2 48.Rc1 Rxa2 49.Nf6 f2 50.Nxe4 Re2 51.Rc8+ Kg7 52.Ng3 Ra2 53.Kg2 Kf6 54.h5 Ke5 55.Re8+ Kd4 56.Rf8 Kc3 57.Rxf2 Rxf2+ 58.Kxf2 Kxb3 59.Ne4 a5 60.Ng5 1-0 (60) Jefferyx Challenge (2853)-Sina Iran (2778) Blitz 2021

9.a4 Nxe4 10.Nxe4 Nxd4 11.c3 Nc6 12.Re1 Be6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Rc8 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.h4 Ne5 17.Bd4 Nc4 18.Qe2 Bxd4 19.cxd4 b6 20.h5 g5 21.d5 Bf5 22.g4 Bxe4 23.Qxe4+ Kg7 24.Qxe7 Qxe7 25.Rxe7 Ne5 26.Rxa7 Rc2 27.b4 Rfc8 28.a5 bxa5 29.bxa5 Nxg4 30.Bh3 R8c4 31.a6 Nxf2 32.Bf5 Rd2 33.Rxf7+ Kxf7 34.a7 Kf6 35.a8Q Kxf5 36.Qf8+ Kg4 37.Qxd6 Nh3+ 38.Kh1 Kh4 39.Qe5 Rg4 40.Qe1+ Nf2+ 41.Kh2 Rc2 42.Ra3 Kxh5 43.Qe8+ Kh4 44.Qe1 Kh5 45.Qb1 Re2 46.Ra2 Rh4+ 47.Kg2 Rxa2 48.Qxa2 Ng4 49.Qe2 Rh2+ 50.Kf3 Rxe2 51.d6 Nf6 52.Kxe2 Nd7 53.Ke3 Kg6 54.Ke4 Kf6 55.Kd5 g4 56.Ke4 Ke6 57.Kf4 Kxd6 58.Kxg4 Ke6 59.Kh5 Kf6 60.Kxh6 ½-½ (60) Beautifulgirl2006 (2835)-Frutek (2625) Blitz 2022

[35] **9...Rb8** 10.a4

[10.Nd5 Nd7 11.c3 b5 12.Bg5 h6 13.Be3 e6 14.Ndf4 Qc7 15.Rc1 Nde5 16.b3 a5 17.h3 Rd8 18.Nd4 a4 19.Nfe2 axb3 20.axb3 Ne7 21.Kh2 N5c6 22.Qd2 Kh7 23.f4 d5 24.e5 b4 25.cxb4 Qb7 26.b5 Nxd4 27.Nxd4 Bd7 28.b6 Qxb6 29.Nf5 Nxf5 30.Bxb6 Rxb6 31.Qa5 Rdb8 32.Rc7 Be8 33.Rc8 Rxb3 34.Rxb8 Rxb8 35.Rf2 Bf8 36.Qa7 Rc8 37.g4 Bc5 38.Qb7 Rd8 39.Rc2 Rd7 40.Qc8 1-0 (40) Athena Pallada

(2824)-Theredking89 (2703) Blitz 2021]

10...a6 11.h3

[11.Nd5 b5 12.axb5 axb5 13.h3 Nd7 *(13...Nxd5 14.exd5 Ne5 15.Ra2 Qc7 16.b3 Nd7 17.Nd4 Re8 18.Be3 Nf6 19.Re1 e5 20.dxe6 fxe6 21.Nc6 Rb7 22.Na5 Rb8 23.c4 bxc4 24.Nxc4 d5 25.Bf4 Qc5 26.Bxb8 dxc4 27.bxc4 Qxc4 28.Rc2 Qb5 29.Be5 Bb7 30.Rb2 Qxb2 31.Bxb2 Bxg2 32.Kxg2 Nd5 33.Bxg7 Ne3+ 34.Rxe3 Kxg7 35.Qd7+ Kf8 36.Rf3+ Kg8 37.Qxe8+ Kg7 38.Qf8#* 1-0 (38) Russianblizzard (2819)-Sina Iran (2699) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Ra2 e6 15.Ne3 Qc7 16.Bd2 b4 17.b3 Nc5 18.Nc4 Rd8 19.Bg5 Rd7 20.Bf4 Ne5 21.Bxe5 dxe5 22.Qc1 Ba6 23.Qe3 Bxc4 24.bxc4 h5 25.Rfa1 b3 26.cxb3 Nxb3 27.Ra7 Qxc4 28.Rxd7 Nxa1 29.Bf1 Nc2 30.Qa7 Rf8 31.Rc7 Qb3 32.Qb7 Qxb7 33.Rxb7 Nd4 34.Kg2 Rd8 35.Nxd4 exd4 36.Bd3 Rc8 37.Rb3 Kf8 38.h4 Rc3 39.Rxc3 dxc3 40.Kf3 Ke7 41.Ke2 Kd6 42.Bc2 Kc5 43.Kd3 Bd4 44.f3 Bf2 45.g4 Bxh4 46.gxh5 gxh5 47.Kxc3 Kd6 48.Kd3 Ke5 49.Ke2 Bg5 50.Kf2 Kf4 51.Kg2 Bh4 52.Ba4 f5 53.Be8 fxe4 54.Bxh5 exf3+ 55.Bxf3 e5 ½-½ (55) Cutemouse83 (2821)-Theredking89 (2737) Blitz 2021]

11...Nd7

[11...b5 12.axb5 *(12.Be3 b4 13.Nd5 Nd7 14.Rb1 Bb7 15.Qd2 a5 16.Bg5 Re8 17.c3 Nc5 18.cxb4 Nxb4 19.Nec3 Ba6 20.Rfd1 Bd3 21.Rbc1 Nb3 22.Qf4 Nxc1 23.Qxc1 Bc4 24.Qf4 Bxd5 25.exd5 Rc8 26.h4 Qc7 27.h5 Qc4 28.Be4 f5 29.hxg6 hxg6 30.Bf3 Qxf4 31.gxf4 Bxc3 32.bxc3 Rxc3 33.Kg2 Kf7 34.Rh1 Rxf3 35.Kxf3 Nxd5 36.Rb1 Rc8 37.Rb7 Rc4 38.Rb5 Ke6 39.Rxa5 Rc3+ 40.Ke2 Ra3 41.Kf1 Ra2 42.Ra7 Kf7 43.a5 Ke8 44.a6 e5 45.fxe5 dxe5 46.Ra8+ Kd7 47.a7 Kc7 48.Rd8 Nb6 49.Rg8 Rxa7 50.Rxg6 Ra2 51.Bf6 Nc4 52.Rg5 f4 53.Bxe5+ Kc6 54.Bxf4 Rc2 55.Kg2 Kd7 56.Kg3 Ke6 57.Rg6+ Kf5 58.Rg5+ Ke4 59.Rc5 Rc3+ 60.Kg4 Kd4 61.Rf5 Ke4 62.f3+ Rxf3 63.Rf6 Rxf4+ 64.Rxf4+ Kd5 65.Kg5 Ne5 66.Rh4* 1-0 (66) Lsgeneraal (2827)-Yakamuzosan (2709) Blitz 2023 *)* 12...axb5 13.Be3

A) 13...Ne5 14.b3 b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Bb7 17.Qd2 *(17.Ra7 Qc8 18.Nd4 Ra8 19.Rxa8 Qxa8 20.f4 Bxd5 21.Bxd5 Qxd5 22.fxe5 dxe5 23.Nf5 Qe6 24.Nxg7 Qxh3 25.Nh5 gxh5 26.Qf3 e6 27.Bh6 e4 28.Qf4 e5 29.Qg5+* 1-0 (29) Russianblizzard (2828)-Powerdrive (2638) Blitz 2022*)* 17...Qc8 *(17...Ra8 18.Qxb4 Rxa1 19.Rxa1 Qc7 20.Ra7 Qxc2 21.Nd4 Qd1+ 22.Kh2 Bc8 23.Rxe7 Nd3 24.Qc3 Ne1 25.Be4 Ba6 26.Ra7 Bc8 27.Ra1 Qh5 28.Rxe1 Bxh3 29.Kg1 f5 30.Bf3 Qxf3 31.Nxf3 Bxc3 32.Rc1 Bb4 33.Ng5 Bg4 34.f3 Bh5 35.Kg2 Ra8 36.Rc2 h6 37.Ne6 g5 38.Bd2 Bxd2 39.Rxd2 Bf7 40.Nd4 Bg6 41.b4 Ra4 42.Rb2 Kf7 43.Nc6 Kf6 44.b5 Bf7 45.b6* 1-0 (45) Russianblizzard (2827)-Prul1979 (2692) Blitz 2023*; 17...Qc7 18.Ra2 Bc8 19.Nd4 Re8 20.f4 Nd7 21.Nc6 Rb5 22.Bf2 Nf6 23.Ra7 Rb7 24.Rxb7 Bxb7*

25.Nxb4 Ra8 26.c4 h5 27.Nc6 e6 28.b4 exd5 29.cxd5 Ba6 30.Ra1 Qb7 31.Ra5 Bb5 32.Qa2 Rxa5 33.bxa5 Bf8 34.Nb4 Nd7 35.a6 Qa8 36.a7 Nc5 37.Bxc5 dxc5 38.d6 1-0 (38) Russianblizzard (2816)-Demetriogarcia (2624) Blitz 2022 *)* 18.Ra4 Ra8 19.Rxb4 Ra2 20.Rc1 Ba6 21.Nd4 Nd3 22.Nc6 Qd7 23.Re4 Nxc1 24.Qxc1 Ra1 25.Qxa1 Bxa1 26.Ra4 Ra8 27.Rxa1 Bb7 28.Re1 e6 29.c4 e5 30.b4 Ra2 31.Rc1 Kg7 32.b5 Rb2 33.Bf1 Qf5 34.Re1 Rb1 35.Rxb1 Qg5 36.Bxg5 1-0 (36) Herushkanamura (2926)-Quick Mate (2711) Blitz 2023;

B) 13...b4 14.Nd5 Nd7 *(14...e6 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Nd4 Na5 17.b3 Bb7 18.Qd2 Ba8 19.Ra4 Qc7 20.Rxb4 Rxb4 21.Qxb4 Rb8 22.Qd2 Nc6 23.Nxc6 Qxc6 24.Rd1 Rc8 25.c4 Rb8 26.Qxd6 Rxb3 27.Qxc6 Bxc6 28.e5* 1-0 (28) Russianblizzard (2811)-Smurf42 (2678) Blitz 2021*)* 15.Ra2 e6 *(15...b3 16.cxb3 Nb4 17.Nxb4 Rxb4 18.Nd4 Bb7 19.Qd2 Rb6 20.b4 Nf6 21.b5 Nxe4 22.Qa5 d5 23.Nc6 Rxc6 24.Qxd8 Rxd8 25.bxc6 Bxc6 26.Rc1 Bb5 27.Ra5 Be8 28.Rd1 Nd6 29.Rdxd5 Bxb2 30.Ra7 Bf6 31.g4 Bc6 32.Rd1 Bxg2 33.Kxg2 g5 34.f4 h6 35.fxg5 hxg5 36.Rd5 Rc8 37.Bxg5 Bxg5 38.Rxg5+ Kf8 39.Ra2 Rc3 40.Ra8+ Ne8 41.Rb5* 1-0 (41) Russianblizzard (2835)-Yakamuzosan (2702) Blitz 2023*; 15...Bb7 16.b3 e6 17.Ndf4 Nc5 18.Nd3 Qe7 19.Qd2 Ne5 20.Nxc5 dxc5 21.Nf4 Rfd8 22.Qe2 Ra8 23.Rxa8 Rxa8 24.Nd3 Nxd3 25.cxd3 Ra3 26.Qc2 Bc3 27.Bc1 Ra1 28.Bd2 Rxf1+ 29.Bxf1 Qf6 30.Be3 Bd4 31.Qd2 Bc6 32.Kg2 Bxe3 33.Qxe3 Qc3 34.Qf4 Qxb3 35.Qb8+ Kg7 36.Qe5+ Kg8 37.Qxc5 Qc3 38.Qb6 b3 39.Be2 b2 40.Bf3 Qc2 41.Qd8+ Kg7 42.e5 Bxf3+ 43.Kxf3 Qc6+ 44.Ke3 b1Q 45.Qf6+ Kf8 46.Qd8+ Qe8 47.Qf6 Qb6+ 48.Ke2 Kg8 49.h4 Qc8 50.h5 Qc2+ 51.Kf3 Qbxf2+ 52.Kg4 Qxf6 53.exf6 Qxd3 54.hxg6 hxg6 55.Kf4 Qf5+ 56.Ke3 Qxf6 57.g4 Qg5+ 58.Kf3 f5 59.Kg3 Qxg4+ 60.Kf2 e5 61.Ke1 e4 62.Kf2 Kf7 63.Ke1 Ke6 64.Kd2 Kd5 65.Ke1 Kd4 66.Kd2 Qg2+ 67.Kc1 Kc3 68.Kb1 Qc2+ 69.Ka1 Qb2#* 0-1 (69) Russianblizzard (2809)-Satlan (2689) Blitz 2021 *)* 16.Ndf4

B1) 16...Nde5 17.b3 Bb7 18.Qd2 Qc7 19.Nd3 Ra8 20.Rxa8 Rxa8 21.Nxb4 Nxb4 22.Qxb4 Ra2 23.Nd4 Nc6 24.Nxc6 Qxc6 25.c4 h5 26.Rd1 Be5 27.Bd4 Bxd4 28.Rxd4 Ra1+ 29.Kh2 Qc5 30.Qxc5 dxc5 31.Rd8+ Kg7 32.Rd7 Ba8 33.Rc7 Rb1 34.Rc8 Bb7 35.Rxc5 Rxb3 36.Rb5 Rxb5 37.cxb5 e5 38.h4 Kf6 39.g4 hxg4 40.Kg3 Ke6 41.Kxg4 f6 42.f3 Kd6 43.h5 Bc8+ 44.Kh4 gxh5 45.Kxh5 f5 46.Kg5 fxe4 47.fxe4 Kc5 48.Bf1 Kd4 49.Bg2 Kc5 50.Bf1 Kd4 51.Kf6 Kxe4 52.Ke7 Kd5 53.Kd8 Bb7 54.Kc7 Ba8 55.b6 Kc5 56.Ba6 e4 57.Be2 e3 58.Bh5 Bc6 59.Be2 Bd5 60.Bd3 Bc6 61.Bf1 Bd5 62.Ba6 Bc6 63.b7 Bxb7 64.Be2 Kb4 65.Kd8 Kc3

66.Ke7 Kd2 67.Bc4 e2 68.Be6 e1Q 69.Kd6 Qf2 70.Ke7 Qe3 71.Kf6 Bd5 72.Ke7 Qxe6+ 73.Kd8 Qf7 74.Kc8 Be4 75.Kb8 Kd3 76.Kc8 Kd4 77.Kb8 Kc5 78.Kc8 Kd6 79.Kd8 Qb7 80.Ke8 Qe7# 0-1 (80)

Russianblizzard (2855)-Baidetskyi,V (2767) Blitz 2022;

B2) 16...Qc7 17.b3 Bb7 18.Nd3 Rfd8 *(18...Nde5 19.f4 Nxd3 20.cxd3 Rfc8 21.Qd2 Ra8 22.Rxa8 Rxa8 23.d4 Qd7 24.d5 exd5 25.exd5 Ne7 26.Rd1 Ra1 27.Kh2 Rxd1 28.Qxd1 h5 29.Qd3 Nf5 30.Bf2 Bf6 31.Qc4 Ne7 32.Nd4 Bxd4 33.Bxd4 Kh7 34.Bb2 Kg8 35.Qd4 Kf8 36.Qg7+ Ke8 37.Qh8+* 1-0 (37)

Russianblizzard (2828)-Yakamuzosan (2709) Blitz 2023*)*

19.Qd2 Ba8 20.Bg5 *(20.h4 Nde5 21.Rc1 Ng4 22.Bg5 Rdc8 23.h5 h6 24.Be3 Nxe3 25.Qxe3 g5 26.Rd1 Bb7 27.Nb2 Ra8 28.Rxa8 Rxa8 29.Nc4 Rd8 30.f4 gxf4 31.gxf4 Ba6 32.f5 Bb5 33.Nf4 Bxc4 34.bxc4 Re8 35.fxe6 fxe6 36.Bh3 Nd8 37.Kh1 Qxc4 38.Rg1 Kh7 39.Qf3 Nf7 40.Bf1 Qc3 41.Bd3 Ng5 42.Rxg5 hxg5 43.Nxe6 Qe1+ 44.Kg2 Qd2+ 45.Kh3 Rxe6 46.Qf5+ Kh8 47.Qxe6 Qe3+ 48.Kg2 Be5 49.Qe8+ Kg7 50.Qg6+ Kf8 51.Qf5+ Ke7 52.Qf2 Qxf2+ 53.Kxf2 g4 54.Be2 g3+ 55.Kf3 Kf6 56.Bf1 Kg5 57.h6 Kxh6 58.Kg4 Kg6 59.Bg2 Kf6 60.Bf1 Ke7 61.Kf3 Kd7 62.Ke3 Kc6 63.Kd3 Kc5 64.Bg2 Kb5 65.Bf1 Ka4 66.Kc4 Ka3 67.Bg2 Bc3 68.Kd3 Kb2 69.Bh3 Be5 70.Bg2 Kc1 71.Bh3 Kd1 72.Bg2 Ke1 73.Ke3 Kd1 74.Kd3 Bf4 75.e5 Bxe5 76.Bf3+ Ke1 77.Bg2 Kf2 78.Bd5 g2 79.c3* 1-0 (79)

Russianblizzard (2824)-Econpower (2717) Blitz 2023*)*

20...Rdc8 21.Bh6 Bh8 22.Be3 Nde5 23.Rd1 Nxd3 24.cxd3 Bb7 25.d4 Ra8 26.Rc2 Qe7 27.d5 exd5 28.exd5 Ne5 29.Rxc8+ Rxc8 30.Qxb4 Ba6 31.Nd4 Bf6 32.Nc6 Qd7 33.Bf4 h5 34.Bxe5 dxe5 35.Qa5 Rxc6 36.dxc6 Qxd1+ 37.Kh2 Bc8 38.Qa8 Qd8 39.b4 Be6 40.Qa7 e4 41.c7 Qc8 42.b5 e3 43.fxe3 Be5 44.b6 h4 45.Qa8 hxg3+ 46.Kg1 Kg7 47.Qa5 f6 48.Qc5 Qd7 49.Qc2 Qb5 50.c8Q Bxc8 51.Qxc8 Qxb6 52.Qd7+ Kh6 53.Qd2 g5 54.Bf1 Bf4 55.Kg2 Bxe3 56.Qe2 Bf4 57.Qf3 Qd4 58.Be2 Qd2 59.h4 Kg7 60.h5 Kh6 61.Qe4 f5 62.Qe6+ Kg7 63.Qe7+ Kh6 64.Qf6+ Kh7 65.Qxf5+ Kh8 66.Qf6+ Kh7 67.Qe7+ Kh8 68.Qe8+ Kh7 69.Qe4+ Kh8 70.h6 Qe3 71.Qa8+ Kh7 72.Qb7+ Kxh6 73.Qc6+ Kh7 74.Qd7+ Kh6 75.Qc6+ Kh7 76.Qf3 Kh8 77.Qh5+ Kg7 78.Qf3 Qe4 79.Qxe4 1-0 (79)

Russianblizzard (2850)-Chess Ark (2739) Blitz 2023;

B3) 16...b3 17.cxb3 Nc5 *(17...Nb4 18.Ra7 Nc5 19.Nc3 Ba6 20.Re1 Qb6 21.Rxa6 Qxa6 22.Na4 Nxa4 23.bxa4 Bxb2 24.Qb3 Nd5 25.Qd1*

Nxe3 26.Rxe3 Rb4 27.Nd3 Rd4 28.Qb3 Ba1 29.Bf1 Qxa4 30.Qc2 Qxc2 0-1 (30) Russianblizzard (2820)-Ocinitram (2688) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Nd3 *(18.Nc1 Nb4 19.Ra7 Bxb2 20.Ncd3 Ncxd3 21.Nxd3 Bg7 22.Nxb4 Rxb4 23.Qd3 e5 24.Rd1 Be6 25.Qxd6 Qxd6 26.Rxd6 Rxb3 27.Bc5 Rc8 28.Be3 h5 29.Kh2 Rc2 30.h4 Rxe3 31.fxe3 Bg4 32.Rd8+ Bf8 33.Raa8 Bf3 34.Rxf8+ Kg7 35.Rg8+ Kh7 36.Rge8 Rxg2+ 37.Kh3 Re2* 0-1 (37) Russianblizzard (2838)-Clinclincaja (2730) Blitz 2021*)* 18...Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Nb4 20.Qb1 Nxa2 21.Qxa2 Qc7 22.Rd1 Qc2 23.Rd2 Qxb3 24.Qxb3 Rxb3 25.Nd4 Rb4 26.Nc6 Rxb2 27.Rxd6 Bb7 28.Ne7+ Kh8 29.Rd7 Re8 30.Bc5 Rb1+ 31.Kh2 Bf6 32.e5 Bxg2 33.exf6 Bf3 34.g4 g5 35.Be3 Ba8 36.Bxg5 h5 37.gxh5 Rh1+ 38.Kg3 Rg1+ 39.Kh4 Rb8 40.f4 Rh1 41.Ng6+ Kg8 42.Ne5 Rb3 43.f5 Rb4+ 44.Kg3 Rg1+ 45.Kf2 Rg2+ 46.Ke3 Re4+ 47.Kd3 Rxe5 48.fxe6 Rd5+ 49.Rxd5 Bxd5 50.e7 Bc6 51.Bf4 Be8 52.Kd4 Kh7 53.Be5 Rg5 54.h4 Rxh5 55.Bd6 Rxh4+ 56.Kc5 Ra4 57.Be5 Ra8 58.Kd6 Kg6 59.Bd4 Kf5 60.Bc3 Ra6+ 61.Kc7 Rc6+ 62.Kd8 Rxc3 63.Kxe8 Ke6 64.Kf8 Rc8+ 65.e8Q+ Rxe8+ 66.Kxe8 Kxf6 67.Kd7 Ke5 68.Ke7 f5 69.Kd8 f4 70.Kc7 f3 71.Kc8 f2 72.Kd8 f1Q 73.Ke8 Qf6 74.Kd7 Qe6+ 75.Kd8 Qf7 76.Kc8 Kd6 77.Kb8 Kc6 78.Ka8 Qb7# 0-1 (78) Russianblizzard (2857)-Theredking89 (2784) Blitz 2021;

C) 13...Nd7 14.Qc1 b4 15.Nd5 e6 16.Ndf4 Na5 17.b3 Bxa1 18.Qxa1 Nc6 19.Rd1 Qc7 20.h4 h5 21.Nh3 e5 22.Ng5 Nc5 23.Qc1 Rd8 24.Qd2 f6 25.Nh3 Ne7 26.Nc1 Bxh3 27.Bxh3 Nxe4 28.Qd3 d5 29.Ne2 Kg7 30.Bg2 Nc3 31.Nxc3 bxc3 32.f4 e4 33.Qd4 Nf5 0-1 (33) Herushkanamura (2938)-Ocinitram (2706) Blitz 2022]

12.Nd5 e6 13.Ne3 Nc5 14.Nc4 d5 15.exd5 exd5 16.Nd2 Bf5 17.g4 Be6 18.Nf4 Rc8 19.Re1 Qd6 20.Nf3 d4 21.Nxe6 Nxe6 22.Ng5 Nxg5 23.Bxg5 Rfe8 24.Qd2 a5 25.Rxe8+ Rxe8 26.Re1 Re5 27.Rxe5 Qxe5 28.Bf4 Qc5 29.Qe2 Be5 30.Bh6 f6 31.Be4 Kf7 32.Bd2 Nb4 33.Qb5 Qxb5 34.axb5 b6 35.b3 Ke6 36.Kf1 f5 37.gxf5+ gxf5 38.Bf3 Nxc2 39.Ke2 Na1 40.b4 a4 41.Kd3 Nb3 42.Bd1 Nxd2 43.Kxd2 a3 44.Kd3 Bd6 45.Bb3+ Ke5 46.Ba2 Bxb4 47.f3 Bc5 48.Kc4 Kf4 49.Kd5 Kxf3 0-1 (49) Herushkanamura (2980)-Mo Fanxue (2739) Blitz 2022

9...Bd7 10.h3

[10.Nd5 Rc8 11.Nec3 a6 12.a4 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 Ne5 14.c3 Bg4 15.f3 Be6 16.Rf2 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Be3 Nc4 19.Bd4 Bxd5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.exd5 Qb6 22.b3 Ne3 23.Qd2 Qc5 24.Rc1 Nxd5 25.c4 Nb6 26.b4 Qe5 27.Re2 Qf6 28.cxb5 Rxc1+ 29.Qxc1 Ra8 30.Qb2 e5 31.h4 d5 32.Qxe5 Qxe5 33.Rxe5 Ra4 34.Bf1 Rxb4 35.Re7 Nc4 36.Rb7 Ne3 37.Be2 d4 38.Kf2 Rb2 39.Rd7 Nd1+ 40.Ke1 Nc3 41.Bd3

Kf6 42.f4 Rb3 43.Bc4 Rb1+ 44.Kd2 Ne4+ 45.Kc2 d3+ 46.Kxb1 Nd2+ 47.Ka2 Nxc4 48.Rxd3 1-0 (48) Nozdrachev,V (2897)-Sina Iran (2810) Blitz 2022]

10...Rc8

[10...Rb8 11.a4 a6 *(11...Qa5 12.Bd2 Rfc8 13.Nd5 Qd8 14.Be3 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.b3 Bf5 17.Nd4 a6 18.Ra2 Qd7 19.Kh2 h5 20.a5 h4 21.Nxf5 gxf5 22.c4 Ng6 23.Kh1 Be5 24.f4 Bf6 25.g4 Kh7 26.g5 Bg7 27.Qh5+ Kg8 28.Re2 Re8 29.Rfe1 Bc3 30.Rf1 Bxa5 31.Bd4 b5 32.Qh6* 1-0 (32) Russianblizzard (2826)-Sjakk98765 (2689) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Be3 b5 13.axb5 axb5 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.b3 f5 *(16...Bf5 17.Nd4 Qc8 18.g4 Bd7 19.Ra7 Re8 20.Kh1 f6 21.f4 Nf7 22.Qd2 Ra8 23.Rfa1 Rxa7 24.Rxa7 f5 25.g5 Nd8 26.Bg1 Nb7 27.Nc6 Nc5 28.Bxc5 dxc5 29.Qe3 Bxc6 30.dxc6 Bd4 31.Qe2 e5 32.Qe1 exf4 33.Bd5+ Kh8 34.Re7 Rf8 35.c3 Be3 36.Rxh7+ Kxh7 37.Qh4+ Kg7 38.Qh6#* 1-0 (38) Russianblizzard (2833)-Daubon (2754) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Nd4 Qc7 18.Qd2 Rfc8 19.Ra6 Qc3 20.Qxc3 Rxc3 21.Ra7 Rbc8 22.Rfa1 Bf6 23.Rb7 Kf8 24.Raa7 Ke8 25.Bd2 R3c5 26.Bb4 Rxc2 27.Nxc2 Rxc2 28.Rc7 Rb2 29.Bc3 Rb1+ 30.Kh2 Rc1 31.Bxe5 Rxc7 32.Rxc7 Bxe5 33.Bf1 f4 34.Rb7 fxg3+ 35.fxg3 h5 36.h4 Bf5 37.Rxb5 g5 38.Bh3 Be4 39.Be6 Kd8 40.Rb8+ Kc7 41.Rc8+ Kb7 42.Rc4 Bd3 43.Rb4+ Ka6 44.hxg5 Ka5 45.Ra4+ Kb5 46.Rh4 Bg6 47.Kg2 Bc3 48.Rc4 Bd2 49.Rc7 Bxg5 50.Kf3 Bd3 51.Rb7+ Kc5 52.Rb8 Kd4 53.Kg2 Bf6 54.Rb4+ Ke3 55.Rf4 Be4+ 56.Kh3 Be5 57.Rf7 Bd3 58.Kh4 Be2 59.g4 Bf6+ 60.Rxf6 exf6 61.gxh5 Bd3 62.h6 Kf4 63.Kh5 Bh7 64.Kh4 Bg6 65.Bf7 Bh7 66.Bg6 1-0 (66) Russianblizzard (2834)-Chesselation94 (2771) Blitz 2025]

[10...h5 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.a4 Rc8 14.Ra2 Bf5 15.b3 a6 16.Nd4 Qd7 17.Kh2 Rc7 18.c4 Nd3 19.Be3 Nb4 20.Rd2 Re8 21.Re1 e5 22.dxe6 fxe6 23.g4 hxg4 24.hxg4 e5 25.gxf5 exd4 26.Bxd4 Rxe1 27.Qxe1 Qxf5 28.Qe8+ Kh7 29.Qe3 Be5+ 30.Bxe5 dxe5 31.Be4 Qh5+ 32.Kg2 Nc6 33.Bxc6 bxc6 34.Qg3 Rf7 35.Rd3 Rf5 36.Qh3 Kg7 37.Qxh5 gxh5 38.b4 Rf4 39.Rc3 Kf6 40.a5 Kf5 41.b5 cxb5 42.cxb5 axb5 43.Ra3 Rg4+ 44.Kf3 h4 45.a6 Rg8 46.Rb3 Ra8 47.Rxb5 Rxa6 48.Kg2 Ra3 49.Rb8 h3+ 50.Kh2 Kg4 51.Rf8 Ra2 52.Rf7 e4 53.Rg7+ Kf3 54.Rf7+ Ke2 55.Kxh3 Ra3+ 56.Kg2 Rb3 57.Rf4 Rb4 58.Kg3 Rb3+ 59.Kh4 Rb4 60.Kg5 e3 61.fxe3 1-0 (61) Russianblizzard (2814)-Tigerlilov (2712) Blitz 2022]

11.Nd5

[11.Rb1 a6 12.b3 b5 13.Bb2 Qb6 14.Qd2 Rfd8 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Ne5 17.Bd4 Qc7 18.f4 Qxc2 19.Rbd1 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 Bh6 21.Bb6 Re8 22.Ba5 b4 23.Bxb4 Bb5 24.Rfd1 Bxe2 25.Rxe2 Nd7 26.Rde1 Kf8 27.Bf3 f5 28.Kg2 Bg7 29.Re3 Rc2+ 30.R1e2 Rxe2+ 31.Bxe2 Ra8 32.Bc3 Nf6 33.Bf3 Rc8 34.Kf1 Rc7 35.Ke2 Rc5 36.b4 Rc4 37.Kd2 Ne4+ 38.Bxe4 Bxc3+ 39.Rxc3 Rxe4 40.a3 Rd4+ 41.Rd3 Rc4 42.Rc3 Rd4+ 43.Kc2 Rxd5 44.a4 Ke8 45.Rc6 a5 46.b5 Kd7 47.Ra6 Rd4

48.Rxa5 Rc4+ 49.Kb3 Rc1 50.Ra7+ Kd8 51.a5 Rb1+ 52.Kc4 Rc1+ 53.Kd4 Rd1+ 54.Ke3 Re1+ 55.Kd2 Rb1 56.b6 Rb5 57.Kc3 d5 58.Kd4 h6 59.h4 h5 60.b7 Kc7 61.a6 Rb4+ 62.Kxd5 e6+ 63.Ke5 Rb6 64.Ra8 Rb5+ 65.Kf6 Rb6 66.Rc8+ Kd7 67.b8Q e5+ 68.Qxb6 e4 69.a7 Kxc8 70.a8Q+ 1-0 (70) Herushkanamura (2893)-Daubon (2728) Blitz 2023]

[11.a4 a6 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Ne5 14.Ra2 Nc4 15.b3 Na5 16.Be3 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Nd4 Qc7 19.Qd2 Nb7 20.Ra7 Ra8 21.Rfa1 Rxa7 22.Rxa7 Qb8 23.Nc6 Bxc6 24.dxc6 Nc5 25.Rxe7 Bf6 26.c7 Qb6 27.Rd7 Qa7 28.Rxd6 Qa1+ 29.Kh2 Ne6 30.Rc6 Be5 31.c8Q Rxc8 32.Rxc8+ Kg7 1-0 (32) Russianblizzard (2832)-Sauron (2623) Blitz 2023]

11...Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.Rb1 Bb5 14.Re1 Qa5 15.Nd4 Bc4 16.b3 Bxd5 17.Nf5 Bxg2 18.Nxe7+ Kh8 19.Kxg2 Rce8 20.Nd5 Qxa2 21.Be3 Qa6 22.c4 b6 23.f4 Nc6 24.Qf3 Qb7 25.Bf2 Nd4 26.Qd3 Ne6 27.f5 Nc5 28.Qf3 gxf5 29.Qxf5 b5 30.Kh2 a5 31.Nf6 Bxf6 32.Qxf6+ Kg8 33.Bd4 Ne6 34.Qh8# 1-0 (34) Cutemouse83 (2962)-Ihmelnyk (2744) Blitz 2021

9...Be6 10.Nd5

[10.h3 Rc8 *(10...h5 11.Nd5 Qc8 12.Kh2 Re8 13.a4 Ne5 14.Ra2 Nxd5 15.exd5 Bf5 16.b3 Nd7 17.Be3 Nf6 18.c4 Be4 19.Nd4 Bxg2 20.Kxg2 Nd7 21.Re2 Nc5 22.Rfe1 Ne4 23.Qc2 Nc5 24.Nb5 a6 25.Nc3 e5 26.dxe6 Nxe6 27.Nd5 Qc6 28.Kg1 h4 29.gxh4 Nc7 30.Nxc7 Qxc7 31.h5 gxh5 32.Qf5 Re5 33.Qf3 Rae8 34.Bf4 Rxe2 35.Rxe2 Rxe2 36.Qxe2 Qc6 37.Qxh5 Qe4 38.Be3 Qb1+ 39.Kg2 Qxb3 40.Qd5 Qxa4 41.Qxb7 Qxc4 42.Qb8+ Kh7 43.Qxd6 Qe4+ 44.Kg1 Qb1+ 45.Kh2 Qe4 46.Qxa6 Be5+ 47.Kg1 Qb1+ 48.Qf1 Qg6+ 49.Qg2 Qb1+ 50.Qf1 Qg6+ 51.Kh1 Qe4+ 52.Qg2 Qb1+ 53.Qg1 Qe4+ 54.Qg2 Qb1+ 55.Qg1 Qe4+ 56.Qg2 ½-½ (56) Russianblizzard (2814)-Tigerlilov (2712) Blitz 2022; 10...Qc8 11.Kh2 Ne5 12.a4 h5 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Bf5 15.Nd4 Qd7 16.b3 Rac8 17.Ra2 a6 18.a5 Rc5 19.f4 Nd3 20.Be3 Nb4 21.Rb2 Rc3 22.Nxf5 Qxf5 23.Bd2 Rxc2 24.Rxc2 Nxc2 25.g4 hxg4 26.hxg4 Qd3 27.Rf3 Qe4 28.Rh3 Qd4 29.Qxc2 1-0 (29) Russianblizzard (2810)-Tigerlilov (2717) Blitz 2022)* 11.Nd5 Ne5 12.a4 Nxd5 13.exd5 Bf5 14.Nd4 Bd7 15.b3 Qa5 16.Bb2 Qb4 17.Rb1 g5 18.c4 g4 19.hxg4 Bxg4 20.f3 Bh5 21.Nf5 Bf6 22.g4 Bg6 23.f4 Bxf5 24.fxe5 Bxb1 25.exf6 Bg6 26.Qc1 1-0 (26) Russianblizzard (2820)-Muisback (2991) Blitz 2022]

10...Ne5 11.Rb1 Nxd5 12.exd5 Bg4 13.h3 Bf3 14.Bxf3 Nxf3+ 15.Kg2 Ne5 16.b3 b5 17.Nd4 Qb6 18.Be3 Qb7 19.c4 bxc4 20.bxc4 Qa6 21.Qe2 Nxc4 22.Kh2 Qa4 23.Nc6 Nxe3 24.Qxe3 Qxa2 25.Rb7 Bf6 26.Rd1 a5 27.Nxe7+ Kh8 28.Qf3 Kg7 29.Nc6 Rfe8 30.Rd4 Qe2 31.Qf4 a4 32.Rd2 Qe1 33.Ra2 a3 34.Nd4 Rab8 35.Ne6+ Rxe6 36.Rxb8 Re2 37.Rxe2 Qxe2 38.Qxd6 a2 39.Kh1 a1Q+ 40.Kh2 Qxf2# 0-1 (40) Toomanymanoevres (2855)-Lovelysicilian (2691) Blitz 2023

[36] **10...Bd7** 11.Bb2 b5 12.Qd2 Rc8 13.Rab1 Ne5 14.Nd5

[14.f4 Neg4 15.Nd1 Qc7 16.Rc1 Bc6 17.h3 Nh6 18.Qe3 Qb7 19.Nf2 Nf5 20.Qd3 b4 21.a4 bxa3 22.Bxa3 Rfd8 23.Bh1 Nh6 24.g4 Nd7 25.g5 Nc5 26.Qe3 Bb5 27.gxh6 Bxh6 28.c4 Bc6 29.Nd4 Bg7 30.Bxc5 dxc5 31.Nxc6 Qxc6 32.e5 Qb6 33.Rfd1 Rf8 34.Bd5 Rb8 35.Rd3 a5 36.Kg2 h5 37.Rcd1 Bh6 38.Qg3 Kh8 39.Be4 a4 40.bxa4 Qb2 41.Qe3 Qa2 42.Qxc5 Bxf4 43.Qxe7 Rbe8 44.Qf6+ Kg8 45.Qxf4 Qxc4 46.Rd4 Qe6 47.Bd5 Qa6 48.Ne4 Kg7 49.Qf6+ Qxf6 50.exf6+ Kh6 51.Nd6 Re5 52.Nxf7+ Rxf7 53.Bxf7 Rg5+ 54.Kh2 Ra5 55.Bb3 Kg5 56.f7 Kh6 57.f8Q+ Kg5 58.Qf4# 1-0 (58) Herushkanamura (2951)-Daubon (2754) Blitz 2022]

14...Nxd5 15.exd5 Qc7 16.Nd4 Qc5 17.h3 Bxh3 18.Bxh3 Qxd4 19.Qxd4 Nf3+ 20.Kg2 Nxd4 21.Bxd4 Bxd4 22.Bxc8 Rxc8 23.Rfd1 Bf6 24.Rd2 h5 25.Rbd1 b4 26.Re2 Rc5 27.Rdd2 Ra5 28.Re4 Bc3 29.Rde2 Rxa2 30.Rxe7 Ra5 31.Rd7 Rxd5 32.Ree7 Rf5 33.Rxd6 a5 34.Red7 Be1 35.f4 h4 36.Rd5 Rf6 37.gxh4 Rxf4 38.h5 gxh5 39.Re5 Rg4+ 40.Kf1 Bc3 41.Rxh5 Rf4+ 42.Ke2 Re4+ 43.Kd3 Re1 44.Ra7 Rd1+ 45.Kc4 Rd2 46.Rg5+ Kf8 47.Rf5 f6 48.Rh5 Kg8 49.Rd5 Rxd5 50.Kxd5 Kf8 51.Ke6 Ke8 52.Ra8# 1-0 (52) Herushkanamura (2963)-Daubon (2781) Blitz 2022

[37] **14.Bxg7** Kxg7 15.Qd2 e6 16.Ne3 Nc5 17.Rbd1 Qb6 18.Qxd6 Rbd8 19.Qf4 Nb4 20.a3 Nc6 21.Ng4 f6 22.h4 e5 23.Qh6+ Kh8 24.Rxd8 Qxd8 25.Ne3 Nd4 26.Nxd4 exd4 27.Nd5 Bxd5 28.exd5 d3 29.b4 Nd7 30.cxd3 Ne5 31.Qe3 Kg7 32.Rc1 Rf7 33.Rc5 Qd6 34.d4 Nc4 35.Qe6 Qd8 36.Rc8 Qe7 37.a4 Qxb4 38.Qe8 Qe7 39.Qg8+ Kh6 40.Re8 Qc7 41.axb5 axb5 42.Bh3 Nd6 43.Rb8 f5 44.Bf1 f4 45.g4 f3 46.Rf8 Qe7 47.Rxf7 Qxf7 48.Qd8 Qf4 49.Bh3 b4 50.Qb8 Qc1+ 51.Bf1 Qf4 52.Qxb4 Qxg4+ 53.Kh1 Qxh4+ 54.Kg1 Ne4 55.Qf8+ Kh5 56.Qxf3+ Qg4+ 57.Qg2 Nd6 58.Bd3 Qxg2+ 59.Kxg2 Kg5 60.Kf3 h5 61.Ke3 Kf6 62.f4 g5 63.f5 h4 64.Kf3 Nxf5 65.Kg4 Nd6 66.Kh5 1-0 (66) Herushkanamura (2992)-Mo Fanxue (2770) Blitz 2022

[38] **8.f3** Bd7 9.Be3 Nc6 10.Qd2 a6 11.0-0-0 Rc8 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Ne5 14.Rhe1 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qa5 16.Kb1 Nc4 17.Bf1 Qxc3 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Nb3 Be6 20.e5 Nd5 21.Qg7 Rf8 22.exd6 Nc3+ 23.Kc1 Nxa2+ 24.Kb2 Nb4 25.Qc3 Qxc3+ 26.Kxc3 Nd5+ 27.Rxd5 Bxd5 28.Rxe7+ Kd8 29.Nc5 Bxf3 30.Nxb7+ Bxb7 31.Rxb7 h5 32.Rb8+ 1-0 (32) Helmut Lang (2813)-Symbiote (2647) Blitz 2022

[39] **9...Bxe2** 10.Qxe2 Rc8 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rd1 a6

[12...Nd7 13.Be3 a6 14.Nd5 Re8 15.c3 b5 16.a4 Rb8 17.axb5 axb5 18.Ra6 Qc8 19.Rda1 b4 20.cxb4 Nxb4 21.Nxb4 Rxb4 22.Ra8 Qxa8 23.Rxa8 Rxa8 24.e5 Ra1+ 25.Kh2 Nxe5 26.Qc2 h5 27.f4 Nd7 28.Qc7 Rxb2 29.Qxd7 Raa2 30.Qe8+ Bf8 31.Qc6 e6 32.Qf3 d5 33.Bd4 Rxg2+ 34.Qxg2 Rxg2+ 35.Kxg2 Bg7 0-1 (35) Russianblizzard (2831)-Doruksarp17 (2703) Blitz 2022]

13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Bg5 Qa5 15.Nd5 Qxa2 16.c3 Rfe8 17.Ra1 Qb3 18.Ra3 Qb5 19.c4 Qc5 20.Be3 Qxa3 21.bxa3

Ne5 22.c5 dxc5 23.f4 Nxd5 24.Rxd5 Nc6 25.e5 Nd4 26.Bxd4 cxd4 27.Rxd4 b5 28.Bb7 Rc3 29.Rd3 Rc1+ 30.Kg2 h5 31.Bxa6 Rb8 32.Bxb5 Kh7 33.a4 Rbc8 34.Rd2 h4 35.gxh4 Ra1 36.Rc2 Rd8 37.h5 Rdd1 38.hxg6+ fxg6 39.Qe4 Rh1 40.Bd3 Rag1+ 41.Kf2 Rxh3 42.Kxg1 1-0 (42) Cutemouse83 (2896)-Symbiote (2645) Blitz 2021

9...Bd7 10.0-0 0-0 11.a4 Rc8 12.Nd5 a6 13.Be3 Re8 14.Bb6 Nxd5 15.Bxd8 1-0 (15) Russianblizzard (2810)-Doruksarp17 (2670) Blitz 2023

[40] **10...0-0** 11.a4 Rc8 12.Nd5 a5 13.Be3 Bxd5 14.exd5 Nb4 15.c3 Na6 16.Re1 Nd7 17.Nd4 Re8 18.Rc1 Ne5 19.b3 Nc5 20.c4 Ned3 21.Rb1 Nxe1 22.Qxe1 Qd7 23.Qd1 e5 24.dxe6 fxe6 25.Nb5 Red8 26.Qe2 b6 27.Rd1 Qe7 28.Bf4 Nxb3 29.Rxd6 Rxd6 30.Bxd6 Qf7 31.Bf4 Nd4 32.Qe4 Nxb5 33.cxb5 Bf8 34.h4 Bc5 35.Bh3 Re8 36.Be3 Bxe3 37.Qxe3 Qc7 38.Bxe6+ Kg7 39.Qd4+ Kh6 40.Bh3 Re1+ 41.Kh2 Re7 42.Bg2 Rd7 43.Qf6 Qd6 44.Qc3 Qd4 45.Qc1+ Kg7 46.Qc2 Rf7 47.Kg1 Re7 48.Bf3 h6 49.h5 gxh5 50.Bxh5 Re1+ 51.Kg2 Re6 52.Bf3 Rf6 53.Qc7+ Rf7 54.Qc2 Rf6 55.Qe2 Rf7 56.Bc6 Rf6 57.f4 Rd6 58.Qg4+ Kf6 59.Qh4+ Kf5 60.Bf3 Qd2+ 61.Kh3 Qe1 62.Qg4+ Kf6 63.Qh4+ Kf7 64.Bh5+ Kf8 65.Bf3 Qf1+ 66.Bg2 Qf2 67.Qh5 Rd2 68.Qf5+ 1-0 (68) Russianblizzard (2832)-Norolex (2827) Blitz 2022

[41] **14.Ncd5** Bxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.Bd4 b5 17.Re1 Qc7 18.c3 Nfd7 19.h4 Rfe8 20.h5 Nc5 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Qe2 Rb8 23.a3 a5 24.b4 Na4 25.Rbc1 Nc4 26.Ne6 fxe6 27.Qxe6+ Kf8 28.Be4 Qc8 29.Bxg7+ Kxg7 30.Qxg6+ Kf8 31.Qh6+ 1-0 (31) Wollongong2021 (3075)-Norolex (2815) Blitz 2022

[42] **7.Be2** Bd7 8.Bf3 Nc6 9.Nde2 Bg7 10.Bg2 0-0 11.0-0 Rb8 12.a4 a6 13.h3 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Be3 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Na5 18.Bd4 Bxd4 19.Nxd4 Qc7 20.b3 Rfe8 21.Ra2 Nb7 22.Re1 Nc5 23.Qd2 e5 24.dxe6 fxe6 25.Nf3 e5 26.Ng5 Kg7 27.Rd1 Rb6 28.h4 Bg4 29.Rda1 Re7 30.Ra8 h6 31.Qd5 Ne6 32.Ne4 Bf5 33.R1a7 Bxe4 34.Rxc7 Bxd5 35.Rxe7+ Kf6 36.Raa7 e4 37.Bh3 Nd4 38.Bg2 Nc6 39.Reb7 Rxb7 40.Rxb7 Ke5 41.Rg7 Kf6 42.Rd7 Ke5 43.Rh7 h5 44.Rg7 Kf6 45.Rc7 Nd4 46.Bf1 Nf3+ 47.Kg2 Ne1+ 48.Kh2 Nf3+ 49.Kh3 Ke5 50.g4 Ng1+ 51.Kg2 Nf3 52.gxh5 gxh5 53.Kg3 Nd4 54.Bc4 Nf5+ 55.Kh2 Bxc4 56.Rxc4 1-0 (56) Russianblizzard (2834)-Wuzhaobing (2722) Blitz 2022

[43] **8.Bg2** Nc6 9.0-0
[9.Nde2 Bg7 *(9...Rb8 10.a4 Bg7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Kh1 a6 13.Be3 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.f4 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Na5 18.Bd4 Bxd4 19.Nxd4 Qc7 20.f5 Nc4 21.Qe2 Ne5 22.Qe3 Kg7 23.Ra7 Qb6 24.c3 bxc3 25.bxc3 Rb7 26.Raa1 Qc5 27.Rac1 Rb2 28.Rcd1 f6 29.g4 g5 30.Qg3 Rc8 31.Rc1 Ra8 32.Rf2 Raa2 33.Rxb2 Rxb2 34.h4 h6 35.hxg5 hxg5 36.Be4 Qc4 37.Qh3 Rd2 38.Re1 Rxd4 39.cxd4 Qxd4 40.Qg3 Bb5 41.Bg2 Nd3 42.Rxe7+ Kf8 43.Re2 Nf4 44.Re1 Be2 45.Qa3 Qf2 46.Qxd6+ Kg7 47.Qe7+ Kg8 48.Rxe2 Nxe2 49.Qe8+ Kg7 50.Qg6+ Kf8 51.Qxf6+ Kg8 52.Qg6+ Kf8 53.Qf6+ Kg8 54.Qxg5+ Kf8*

55.Qh6+ Kg8 56.Qe6+ Kf8 57.Qd6+ Kg8 58.Qf8+ 1-0 (58) Russianblizzard (2810)-Wuzhaobing (2706) Blitz 2022 *)* 10.Be3 Rb8 11.a4 a6 12.0-0 b5 13.axb5 axb5 14.h3 Qc8 15.Kh2 h5 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Ne5 18.b3 0-0 19.f4 Ng4+ 20.hxg4 Bxa1 21.Qxa1 Qxc2 22.Nd4 Qd3 23.Bg1 Bxg4 24.Nc6 Rb7 25.Re1 Re8 26.Qb2 b4 27.Re4 e6 28.Qf6 e5 29.fxe5 Bf5 30.Rxb4 Rxb4 31.Nxb4 Rxe5 32.Nxd3 Bxd3 33.Qxd6 1-0 (33) Russianblizzard (2826)-Hungzhao (2761) Blitz 2021]

9...Rc8 10.Nde2 Bg7 11.f4 b5 12.a3 Qb6+ 13.Kh1 a5 14.h3 b4 15.axb4 axb4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Na5 18.Ra2 b3 19.cxb3 Nxb3 20.Nc3 0-0 21.Re1 Nxc1 22.Qxc1 Rfe8 23.Qe3 Qb3 24.Ra7 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Rxc3 26.Qf2 Rc2 27.Qe3 Rc3 28.Qf2 Bb5 29.Raxe7 Rxe7 30.Rxe7 Rxg3 31.f5 Rxh3+ 32.Bxh3 Qxh3+ 33.Kg1 Qg4+ 34.Qg2 Qxf5 35.Re3 Qf4 36.Re4 Qc1+ 37.Kh2 Qh6+ 38.Kg1 Qc1+ 39.Kh2 Kg7 40.Qf2 Qh6+ 41.Rh4 Qg5 42.Qd4+ Qe5+ 43.Qxe5+ dxe5 44.Rb4 Bd7 45.Rb7 Bc8 46.Rc7 Bf5 47.d6 Kf8 48.d7 Ke7 49.d8Q+ Kxd8 50.Rxf7 h5 51.Ra7 Ke8 52.Kg3 g5 53.Ra5 h4+ 54.Kf2 Kf7 55.Rxe5 Kf6 56.Rc5 Be6 57.Rc3 Bf5 58.Ke3 Be6 59.Kd4 Bf5 60.Rc1 1-0 (60) Russianblizzard (2830)-Wuzhaobing (2722) Blitz 2022

[44] **8...Bg7** 9.Qd2 0-0 [9...Nc6 10.0-0-0 a6 11.g4 Rc8 12.Kb1 *(12.h4 Ne5 13.h5 b5 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Rxc3 16.bxc3 Qa5 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.g5 Nh5 19.Rxh5 gxh5 20.Qxh5+ Kd8 21.Kb2 Kc7 22.Nb3 Qb6 23.g6 Nxg6 24.c4 bxc4 25.Bxc4 Ne5 26.Be2 Kb8 27.f4 Ng6 28.Qg5 Rc8 29.f5 Ne5 30.Qxe7 Rc6 31.f6 Qb4 32.Rd2 Qc3+ 33.Kb1 Rb6 34.Rxd6 Qe1+ 35.Kb2 Rb7 36.Qxe5 Ka7 37.Qd4+ Ka8 38.f7* 1-0 (38) Calculatebetter (2860)-Doruksarp17 (2629) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Ne5 13.h4 h5 14.g5 Nh7 15.f4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.f5 0-0 18.Rhf1 b5 19.Nd5 e6 20.f6 exd5 21.fxg7 Re8 22.exd5 Bg4 23.Rde1 Qd7 24.b3 Rcc8 25.Nc6 Bh3 26.Rf4 Bf5 27.Bd4 Rxe1+ 28.Qxe1 Re8 29.Qd2 Re4 30.Rxe4 Bxe4 31.Qe3 Qg4 32.Ne7# 1-0 (32) Herushkanamura (2875)-Doruksarp17 (2702) Blitz 2022]

10.0-0-0 Nc6 11.h4 h5 12.Kb1 Rc8 13.Nxc6 Rxc6 14.Bd4 Be6 15.Bb5 Rc8 16.Bxa7 Qa5 0-1 (16) Ooopscheck (2920)-Wuzhaobing (2728) Blitz 2021

[45] **10...Qc8** 11.h3 Bg7 12.Kb1 Ne5 13.b3 Nc6 14.Bg2 Qd8 15.Nd5 a5 16.Nb6 Qxb6 17.Ne6 Bxe6 18.Bxb6 Nd7 19.Be3 a4 20.b4 Nde5 21.c3 Rc8 22.f4 Nc4 23.Qc1 a3 24.Rdg1 d5 25.f5 Bd7 26.fxg6 fxg6 27.Rd1 Nxb4 28.Rd4 0-0 29.cxb4 Ba4 30.e5 Nxe3 31.Qxe3 Bc2+ 32.Ka1 e6 33.g4 g5 34.Rf1 Bh7 35.Qxg5 b6 36.gxh5 Rxf1+ 37.Bxf1 Rf8 38.Rf4 Rc8 39.Rg4 Bg6 40.Bd3 Bxe5+ 41.Kb1 Bb2 42.Qxg6+ Kf8 43.Qg8+ Ke7 44.Qxc8 Kd6 45.Qd8+ Kc6 46.b5+ Kb7 47.Qe7+ Ka8 48.Rg8# 1-0 (48) Rofchade (3423)-Stoofvlees Ii A16 (3513) tcec-chess.com INT 2021

[46] **14.g4** Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.g5 Nh7 17.Nde2 Rb8 18.Bd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Rf8 20.Nd5 Nxg5 21.Qxc4

Qc8 22.Qd3 Rb7 23.f4 Bb5 24.Qe3 Qc5 25.Nd4 Ne6 26.Nxb5 Rxb5 27.Qe2 Kd7 28.c4 Rb7 29.Rd2 Nd4 30.Qf2 Nc6 31.Qxc5 dxc5 32.Nb6+ Kc7 33.Na4 Rb4 34.b3 Rxa4 35.bxa4 Rb8+ 36.Ka1 Rb4 37.Rc1 h4 38.Rc3 Nd4 39.a5 Kd6 40.Rf2 Ra4 41.a3 Rxa5 42.Kb2 Ke6 43.Rg2 Ra4 44.Rg4 Ne2 45.Rc2 Nd4 46.Rc1 Ne2 47.Rd1 Nd4 48.Rxh4 Rxc4 49.Rc1 Ra4 50.Rxc5 Kd6 51.Rd5+ Ke6 52.f5+ gxf5 53.Rd8 f4 54.Rxf4 Rc4 55.e5 Kxe5 56.Rxf7 Nf5 57.Rd2 Ke6 58.Rf8 Rc5 59.Rh2 Ng3 60.Rf3 Nf5 61.h4 Kf7 62.Rg2 Kf6 63.h5 e6 64.Rh3 Rc7 65.Kb3 Rd7 66.Ka4 e5 67.Rg6+ Kf7 68.Rf3 Rd4+ 69.Kb3 Rf4 70.Rxf4 exf4 71.Rg4 f3 72.Rf4 Ke6 73.Ka4 a5 74.Rxf3 Nh6 75.Kxa5 1-0 (75) Stoofvlees Ii A16 (3513)-Rofchade (3423) tcec-chess.com INT 2021

47 **6...Ng4??** 7.Bb5+ material losing trap!

6...Bd7 7.f3 h5 8.Qd2

[8.Bc4 Qb6 9.Qd3 Na6 10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.Qe2 Bh6 12.Bxh6 Rxh6 13.Rhe1 Kf8 14.h3 g5 15.a3 e5 16.Nf5 Bxf5 17.exf5 Kg7 18.Bxa6 bxa6 19.Qd2 Nh7 20.Ne4 Rb8 21.b3 Rd8 22.Nxg5 Nxg5 23.Qxg5+ Kh7 24.Qe7 Rg8 25.f6 Qf2 26.Qxf7+ Kh8 27.Re4 Qxg2 28.Rxd6 Qxf3 29.Rd8 Qd1+ 30.Rxd1 Rh7 31.Qe6 Rh6 32.Rxe5 a5 33.Qf7 h4 34.Re8 Rhg6 35.Rxg8+ Rxg8 36.Qh5# 1-0 (36) Nikitosik Ai (3000)-Garbobot (2331) Blitz 2025]

8...Nc6 9.0-0-0 Ne5

[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Bh6 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Qxe3 Qa5 13.Bc4 Rc8 14.Bb3 Kf8 *(14...0-0 15.Qh6 e6 16.Rxd6 Rxc3 17.Qd2 Rc5 18.Qd4 Qc7 19.Rd1 Rc8 20.c3 e5 21.Qe3 Rc6 22.Qh6 Rxd6 23.Qxg6+ Kh8 24.Qh6+ Nh7 25.Rxd6 Be6 26.Bxe6 Qxd6* 0-1 (26) Arabamdacia (2810)-Zlatin (2665) Blitz 2023*)* 15.Kb1 Qc5 16.Qd2 a5 17.a4 Kg7 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 b5 20.Qd4+ Qxd4 21.Rxd4 bxa4 22.Bxa4 Bxa4 23.Rxa4 Rc5 24.c4 Kf6 25.Kc2 Rhc8 26.Kd3 Rb8 27.Kc3 Rbc8 28.Rd1 g5 29.b3 Ke5 30.Re1+ Kf6 31.Kd4 Rb8 32.Kc3 Rbc8 33.Rb1 Rxd5 34.Rba1 Rcc5 35.Rf1 Rf5 36.Kd4 Rf4+ 37.Ke3 Re5+ 38.Kd3 g4 39.Ra2 h4 40.Raf2 Ref5 41.Ke3 gxf3 42.g3 hxg3 43.hxg3 Rg4 44.Rxf3 Rxf3+ 45.Kxf3 Rg5 46.g4 e6 47.Kf4 d5 48.Rc1 e5+ 49.Kf3 d4 50.c5 Ke6 51.c6 Rg8 52.c7 Rc8 53.Ke4 Kd6 54.Rf1 Rxc7 55.Rf6+ Kc5 56.Kxe5 d3 57.Rf1 Rd7 58.Ke4 d2 59.Rd1 Kb4 60.Ke3 Kc3 61.Ke2 Kc2 0-1 (61) Tigersiberian (2882)-Literal Bagel (2706) Blitz 2025]

10.f4

[10.Kb1 Bg7 11.h3 0-0 12.f4 Nc6 13.g4 hxg4 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.hxg4 Qd7 16.Qh2 Qxg4 17.Be2 Qe6 18.Bd4 Rfd8 19.f5 Qc8 20.fxg6 fxg6 21.Bxf6 exf6 22.Qh7+ Kf8 23.Qxg6 Qe6 24.Rdg1 Qf7 25.Qxf7+ Kxf7 26.Rh7 Kf8 27.Rgxg7 b5 28.Rf7+ Kg8 29.Rfg7+ Kf8 30.Rc7 Kg8 31.Bg4 Re8 32.Rhg7+ Kh8 33.Bf5 Re5 34.Rg1 Rxf5 35.exf5 Bf3 36.Nxb5 Rg8 37.Rxg8+ Kxg8 38.Nxd6 a6 39.b3 Bg2 40.b4 Kh8 41.a4 Kg8 42.b5 axb5 43.axb5 Kf8 44.b6 Bf3 45.c4 Kg8 46.b7 Bxb7 47.Rxb7 Kh8 48.c5 Kg8 49.Rd7 Kh8 50.c6 Kg8 51.c7 Kf8 52.c8Q# 1-0 (52) Nikitosik Ai (3010)-Garbobot

(2363) Blitz 2025]
10...Nc6 11.h3 Qa5 12.Nb3 Qd8 13.Be2 a6 14.Bf3 Be6 15.Kb1 Rh7 16.e5 dxe5 17.Qf2 Qc8 18.Nc5 exf4 19.Bxf4 Bh6 20.Bxh6 Rxh6 21.Nxe6 fxe6 22.Ne4 Nd7 23.Ng5 Nd8 24.Qd4 e5 25.Qd5 Nf6 26.Qxe5 Qb8 27.Rxd8+ Qxd8 28.Qe6 Qd6 29.Qf7+ Kd7 30.Rd1 Qxd1+ 31.Bxd1 Re8 32.Qe6+ Kc7 33.Bf3 Rhh8 34.Qe5+ Kd7 35.Qd4+ Kc8 36.Qb6 Kd7 37.Bxb7 Rc8 38.Qe6+ Kc7 39.Bf3 Nd7 40.Nf7 Nb8 41.Qxe7+ Kb6 42.Qb4+ Kc7 43.Qb7# 1-0 (43) Nikitosik Ai (3052)-Garbobot (2323) Blitz 2025

48 **7.Qd2** Nbd7
[7...Ng4 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 Bg7 *(9...Nc6 10.f3 Nge5 11.Nb3 Bg7 12.Nd5 g5 13.Bg3 e6 14.Ne3 0-0 15.h4 b5 16.hxg5 Qxg5 17.Bh4 Qg6 18.Qxd6 Bb7 19.Nc5 Rab8 20.f4 Ng4 21.Nxg4 Qxg4 22.Nxb7 Nd4 23.c3 Nc2+ 24.Kf2 Nxa1 25.Be2 Qg6 26.Nc5 Nc2 27.Bd3 Ne3 28.g3 Ng4+ 29.Kf3 Qh5 30.Kg2 Ne3+ 31.Kf2 Nc4 32.Be2 Qxe2+ 33.Kxe2 Nxd6 34.Be7 Nc4 35.Bxf8 Bxf8 36.Nd7 Rd8 37.Nxf8 Kxf8 38.b3 Rd2+ 39.Ke1 Rxa2 40.Rxh6 Na5 41.b4 Nc4 42.Rh8+ Kg7 43.Ra8 Ra3 44.Kf2 Rxc3 45.Rxa6 Rb3 46.f5 exf5 47.exf5 Rxb4 48.g4 Ne5 49.g5 Rf4+ 50.Kg3 Rxf5 51.Kh4 Ng6+ 52.Kh5 Rf4* 0-1 (52) Elektromagnit (2809)-Loin Sn (2792) Blitz 2022*)* 10.0-0-0 0-0 11.h3 Nf6 12.f4 Nbd7 13.g4 Qc7 14.g5 hxg5 15.Bxg5 b5 16.h4 Bb7 17.h5 b4 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bxd5 20.Bg2 Bxa2 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.b3 Qa5 23.Qe3 e5 24.Nc6 Qc5 25.Qxc5 Nxc5 26.Bd5+ Rf7 27.Ne7+ Kf8 28.Nxg6+ Ke8 29.Bc6+ 1-0 (29) Azumilover (2954)-Loin Sn (2809) Blitz 2022]
[7...h5 8.h3 b5 9.a4 b4 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 Bb7 12.Bc4 a5 13.Bb5+ Nd7 14.Nc6 Qc7 15.Bd4 f6 16.0-0 Kf7 17.Rfe1 Ne5 18.Qe2 Bh6 19.c3 bxc3 20.Bxc3 Bxc6 21.dxc6 e6 22.Rad1 Rhd8 23.g3 Qe7 24.f4 h4 25.fxe5 hxg3 26.exf6 Qa7+ 27.Kg2 1-0 (27) Negocia (2885)-Miki Train (2658) Blitz 2025]
[7...e5 8.Nf3 h6 9.0-0-0 Be6 10.Nxe5 Qc7 11.Nc4 Bxc4 12.e5 Bxf1 13.exf6 Bc4 14.Rhe1 Be6 15.Nd5 Qc4 16.Nb6 Qxa2 17.Qc3 Nc6 18.Nxa8 Kd7 19.Bc5 h5 20.Nb6+ Kc7 21.Be3 d5 22.Rd4 Qa5 23.Qxa5 Nxa5 24.Nxd5+ Bxd5 25.Rxd5 Nc6 26.Bf4+ Kb6 27.Re8 Bg7 28.Rxh8 Bxh8 29.Bg5 Kc7 30.h3 Nd8 31.g4 Ne6 32.f4 hxg4 33.hxg4 Kc6 34.Rd3 Nc5 35.Rh3 Nd7 36.Rxh8 1-0 (36) Yarebore (2845)-Nadigraj (2749) Blitz 2022]
8.0-0-0 b5 9.Nc6 Qc7 10.Nb4 Bb7 11.Ncd5 Qc8 12.Bd4 Bg7 13.h4 h5 14.Kb1 e6 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.f3 0-0 18.g4 a5 19.Nd3 b4 20.Nf4 Qc5 21.g5 Nd7 22.Qxd6 Qxd6 23.Rxd6 Ne5 24.Be2 Rfd8 25.Rhd1 Rxd6 26.Rxd6 Kf8 27.Kc1 Ke7 28.Rb6 Bc6 29.Nd3 Nxd3+ 30.cxd3 Kd6 31.d4 Kc7 32.Ra6 Rxa6 33.Bxa6 Kb6 34.Be2 Bb5 35.Bxb5 Kxb5 36.b3 a4 37.Kd2 a3 1-0 (37) Azumilover (2956)-Loin Sn (2806) Blitz 2022

7.Be2 Bg7
[7...b5 8.e5 dxe5 9.Bf3 exd4 10.Qxd4 Qxd4 11.Bxd4 Nbd7 12.Bxa8 e5 13.Be3 Bc5 14.Bxc5 Nxc5 15.0-0-0 Be6 16.Bd5 Nxd5

17.Nxd5 0-0 18.Rhe1 f6 19.Nc7 Bf5 20.Rd6 Rc8 21.Nd5 Nd3+ 22.Kd2 Nxe1 23.Ne7+ Kf7 24.Nxc8 Nxc2 25.Rxa6 Nb4 26.Ra7+ Ke6 27.Rxh7 Nxa2 28.f3 Nb4 29.g4 Bb1 30.Rb7 Nc6 31.Ke3 Nd4 32.h4 f5 33.h5 gxh5 34.gxh5 f4+ 35.Kf2 Nf5 36.Rxb5 Kd7 37.Na7 Kd6 38.h6 Nd4 39.Rb7 1-0 (39) Dr Mortimer (2912)-Alexander Utnasunov (2636) Blitz 2022]

[7...e5 8.Nb3

A) 8...Be6 9.Qd3 *(9.a4 Nbd7 10.a5 Rc8 11.0-0 Rxc3 12.bxc3 Nxe4 13.Qd3 f5 14.c4 Qc7 15.f3 Nef6 16.Rfd1 Be7 17.c5 d5 18.f4 Nxc5 19.Nxc5 Bxc5 20.fxe5 Nd7 21.Bd4 Qxe5 22.Bf3 0-0 23.c3 Rc8 24.Re1 Qd6 25.Rab1 Rc7 26.Kh1 Bf7 27.Qe3 Bxd4 28.cxd4 Nf6 29.Qe5 Qxe5 30.dxe5 Ne4 31.Rec1 Re7 32.Rc8+ Kg7 33.Rb8 Nc5 34.Rc1 Nb3 35.Re1 Nxa5 36.e6 Rxe6 37.Rxe6 Bxe6 38.Rd8 Kf7* 0-1 (38) Ice2Breaker (2812)-Nadigraj (2749) Blitz 2022*)* 9...Nbd7 10.0-0 Rc8 11.a4 Qc7 12.a5 Nc5 13.Nxc5 dxc5 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 c4 16.Qd2 Bc5 17.Bh6 Ne4 18.Qe1 f6 19.Bxc4 Nd6 20.Bd3 Kf7 21.Kh1 e4 22.Bxe4 Rhe8 23.f3 f5 24.Qc3 Kg8 25.Bd3 Qf7 26.Rae1 Be3 27.Qb4 Bxh6 28.Qxd6 Bf8 29.Rxe8 Rxe8 30.Qf4 Qd7 31.c4 Bd6 32.Qd2 Qe7 33.f4 Bb4 34.Qf2 Bc5 35.Qf3 Qf6 36.b3 Qc3 37.d6 Qd4 38.Rd1 Re3 39.Qd5+ Qxd5 40.cxd5 Bxd6 41.g3 Kf8 42.Kg2 Bb4 43.Kf2 Re8 44.Rc1 Bxa5 45.h4 Ke7 46.b4 Bb6+ 47.Kf1 Kd6 48.h5 Kxd5 49.hxg6 hxg6 50.Bc4+ Kd4 51.Bf7 Re3 52.Bxg6 Rxg3 53.Bxf5 Rf3+ 54.Ke2 Rxf4 55.Bd3 Ke5 56.Rc4 Rf2+ 57.Kd1 Bd4 58.Rc7 Kf4 59.Be2 Ke3 60.Re7+ Kf4 61.Rxb7 Rg2 62.Rf7+ Ke3 63.Rf3+ Ke4 64.Rh3 Rg1+ 65.Kc2 Rg5 66.Bd3+ Kd5 67.Rh4 Rg2+ 68.Kb3 Rb2+ 69.Ka3 Rd2 70.Rxd4+ Ke5 71.Bxa6 Kxd4 72.Ka4 Re2 73.Ka5 Re3 74.b5 Re5 75.Kb6 Re1 76.Ka7 Rc1 77.Bb7 Rc2 78.b6 Rb2 79.Ba6 Kc5 80.b7 Rb6 0-1 (80) Chewbacca18 (2824)-Nadigraj (2731) Blitz 2023;

B) 8...Nbd7 9.f4 b5 10.0-0 Bb7 11.fxe5 dxe5 12.Qe1 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Bxe4 14.Qf2 f5 15.Rad1 Qc7 16.Bf3 Bxf3 17.Qxf3 e4 18.Qh3 Bg7 19.Nd4 0-0 20.Ne6 Qc6 21.Nxg7 Kxg7 22.Bh6+ Kg8 23.Bxf8 Rxf8 24.Rd2 Ne5 25.Rfd1 Qc5+ 26.Kh1 Ng4 27.Qb3+ Kh8 28.Qc3+ Qxc3 29.bxc3 Kg7 30.Kg1 Rc8 31.Rd7+ Kh6 32.h3 Ne3 33.R1d2 Rxc3 34.Ra7 Nxc2 35.Rdd7 Kg5 36.Rxa6 e3 37.Re6 Ra3 38.Rxh7 Rxa2 39.h4+ Kf4 40.Rhe7 Ra1+ 41.Kh2 b4 42.Rxg6 b3 43.Rb6 Rb1 44.Rc6 Kg4 45.Rg7+ Kf4 46.Re7 Ne1 47.Rc4# 1-0 (47) John Captain Price (2825)-Nadigraj (2821) Blitz 2022]

8.0-0

[8.h4 h5 9.Qd2 b5 *(9...Nbd7 10.f3 b5 11.Nc6 Qc7 12.Nb4 Bb7 13.Ncd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.Qxd5 Rc8 16.c3 Nc5 17.0-0 Bf6 18.g3 Na4 19.Rab1 0-0 20.Rfc1 e6 21.Qd2 d5 22.Bf4 e5 23.Bh6 Rfd8 24.exd5 Nb6 25.Qe3 Nxd5 26.Qf2 Be7 27.Kg2 Bc5 28.Qe1 Be3*

29.Bxe3 Nxe3+ 30.Kh2 Nf5 31.Rd1 Kg7 32.Bd3 Ne7 33.Be4 f5 34.Bc2 Nd5 35.Bb3 Nf6 36.Rxd8 Rxd8 37.Rd1 e4 38.Rxd8 Qxd8 39.Bd1 Qd3 40.Kg2 Nd5 41.Be2 Qe3 42.Qf2 f4 43.Qxe3 Nxe3+ 44.Kf2 exf3 45.Bxf3 Nc4 46.b3 fxg3+ 47.Kxg3 Ne3 48.Be4 Kf6 49.Kf4 Nd1 50.c4 bxc4 51.bxc4 Nc3 52.a3 Na4 53.Bc2 Nc5 54.Ke3 g5 55.hxg5+ Kxg5 56.Kd4 Ne6+ 57.Kd5 Nf4+ 58.Kd6 Ne2 59.c5 Nc3 60.Be4 Nxe4+ 61.Kd5 Nxc5 62.Kxc5 h4 63.Kb6 h3 64.a4 h2 65.Kxa6 h1Q 66.a5 Qa8+ 67.Kb6 Kf6 68.a6 Ke7 69.Kc7 Ke8 70.Kb6 Kd8 71.Kc5 Kc8 72.Kb6 Kb8 73.Kb5 Qa7 74.Kc6 Ka8 75.Kb5 Qb8+ 76.Kc6 Ka7 77.Kd5 Qb6 78.Ke4 Qxa6 79.Ke3 Qb6+ 80.Kd3 Kb7 81.Ke4 Qc6+ 82.Kf5 Qd6 83.Ke4 Kc7 84.Ke3 Qc6 85.Kd4 Qd6+ 86.Ke4 Qc6+ 87.Ke3 Kd7 88.Kf4 Qd6+ 89.Kf5 Ke7 90.Ke4 Qe6+ 91.Kd4 Kd7 92.Kc5 Qd6+ 93.Kc4 Qe6+ 94.Kc3 Qd6 95.Kc2 Qe6 96.Kb2 Qd6 97.Kb1 Qc6 98.Ka1 Qd6 99.Ka2 Qc5 100.Kb3 Qc4+ 101.Kxc4 ½-½ (101) Merbijas (2861)-Doruksarp17 (2641) Blitz 2022 *)* 10.f3 Bb7 11.Nb3 Nbd7 12.a4 b4 13.Na2 a5 14.c3 bxc3 15.Nxc3 0-0 16.0-0 Ne5 17.Nb5 d5 18.Nc5 Bc6 19.Nd4 Be8 20.Bh6 dxe4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Nde6+ fxe6 23.Nxe6+ Kh7 24.Nxd8 exf3 25.Bxf3 Nxf3+ 26.Rxf3 Rc8 27.Re1 1-0 (27) Nozdrachev,V (2916)-Sleepyjoseph (2694) Blitz 2022]

[8.Qd2 Nbd7 9.a4 b6 10.0-0 Bb7 11.f3 0-0 12.Nb3 *(12.Rad1 Rc8 13.Kh1 Ne5 14.Bh6 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Qg5 Qd7 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Rfe1 Re8 21.Qe5+ Kg8 22.Qe2 Rc5 23.Nb3 Rh5 24.Ne4 Nxe4 25.Rxd7 Ng3+ 26.Kg1 Nxe2+ 27.Rxe2 Bc6 28.Rdxe7 Rxe7 29.Rxe7 Bxa4 30.Nd4 Rd5 31.c3 Rd7 32.Re8+ Kg7 33.Rb8 Rd6 34.Kf2 Bd7 35.g4 b5 36.b4 h6 37.h4 Be6 38.Ke3 Bc4 39.g5 hxg5 40.hxg5 Rd5 41.Kf4 Rd6 42.Ra8 f6 43.Ra7+ Kf8 44.gxf6 Rxf6+ 45.Kg5 Rd6 46.f4 Rb6 47.Nf3 Rd6 48.Ne5 Ke8 49.Nxg6 Rd3 50.Rxa6 Rxc3 51.f5 Rb3 52.Ne5 Rxb4 53.f6 Kd8 54.Nxc4 bxc4 55.Ra8+* 1-0 (55) Timetrave1 (2837)-Gettingold72 (2604) Blitz 2023 *)* 12...Rc8 13.Rad1 Ne5 14.Qe1 Nc4 15.Bc1 Nd7 16.f4 b5 17.axb5 axb5 18.Kh1 b4 19.Nd5 Nxb2 20.Bxb2 Bxb2 21.Qxb4 Bxd5 22.exd5 Rxc2 23.Bd3 Rc8 24.f5 Rb8 25.Qc4 Ne5 26.Qc2 Nxd3 27.Rxd3 Be5 28.g3 Qc8 29.Qxc8 Rfxc8 30.Na5 Rc2 31.Rb3 Ra8 32.Rb5 gxf5 33.Rxf5 Bc3 34.Nb3 Rb2 35.Rf1 Ra3 36.Rb8+ Kg7 37.Rb7 Raxb3 38.Rxe7 Bf6 39.Ree1 Rd2 40.Rf5 Rbb2 41.Rh5 Be5 42.Rf1 Kg6 43.Rh3 f5 44.Kg1 h5 45.Kh1 Rxd5 46.Rh4 Rdd2 47.Kg1 Bf6 48.Rh3 d5 49.Rc1 Re2 50.Rd1 d4 51.Kh1 d3 52.Kg1 Rbc2 53.g4 hxg4 54.Rhxd3 Rg2+ 55.Kf1 Rxh2 56.Kg1 Be5 57.Re3 g3 58.Rxe5 Rcg2+ 59.Kf1 Rf2+ 60.Kg1 Rfg2+ 61.Kf1 1-0 (61) Kelevra317 (2863)-Gettingold72 (2660) Blitz 2021]

[8.a4 b6 9.g4 Bb7 10.f3 h5 11.g5 Nfd7 12.h4 Nc6 13.Qd2 Nde5 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Bd4 0-0 16.f4 Nd7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Rh3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Rxa8 Qxa8 21.Nd5 e6 22.Nc3 b4 23.Qd4+ e5 24.Qxb4

exf4 25.Qxd6 Re8 26.Qxf4 Qa1+ 27.Kf2 Qxb2 28.Rf3 Ne5 29.Qf6+ Kg8 30.Re3 Qxc2 31.Kg3 Qd2 32.Qf4 Qd4 33.Kh2 Rb8 34.Rd3 Nxd3 35.Qxb8+ Kg7 36.Qg3 Nc5 37.Bf1 Bxe4 38.Nxe4 Nxe4 39.Qf4 Qd2+ 40.Qxd2 Nxd2 41.Bd3 Nb3 42.Kg3 Nd4 43.Kf4 Kf8 44.Be4 Ke7 45.Ke5 Ne6 46.Bd5 Nc5 47.Bc4 Nd7+ 48.Kf4 Nf8 49.Bd5 f6 50.gxf6+ Kxf6 51.Bc4 Ne6+ 52.Bxe6 Kxe6 53.Kg5 Kf7 54.Kf4 Kf6 55.Ke4 g5 56.hxg5+ Kxg5 57.Kf3 h4 58.Kf2 Kg4 59.Kg1 h3 60.Kh1 Kg3 61.Kg1 h2+ 62.Kh1 Kh3 ½-½ (62) Heydarova (2830)-Prul1979 (2624) Blitz 2023]

8...0-0 9.a4 Nc6 10.Qd2 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Bd7

[11...Be6 12.Rad1 Rc8 13.h3 Bc4 14.Rfe1 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Qa5 16.Kh1 Rc7 17.Rd3 Rfc8 18.Red1 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.e5 dxe5 21.Bxe5 Rc4 22.R1d2 h6 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Nd5 Qa1+ 25.Kh2 Qxb2 26.Nxe7+ Bxe7 27.Qxe7 Qg7 28.Rd8+ Rxd8 29.Rxd8+ Kh7 30.Rf8 Rf4 31.f3 Rf5 32.h4 h5 33.Kh3 Qf6 34.Qxf6 Rxf6 35.Rc8 Rf4 36.Kg3 Rd4 37.Rc5 b4 38.f4 Kg7 39.Kf3 Kf6 40.Ke3 Rd1 41.Rb5 Rc1 42.Kd2 Rg1 43.Rxb4 Rxg2+ 44.Kd3 Rg4 45.Rb6+ Ke7 46.f5 gxf5 47.c4 Rxh4 48.c5 Kd7 49.Rf6 f4 50.Kd4 f3+ 51.Kd5 Ke7 52.Rxf3 Rh1 53.Kc6 h4 54.Kc7 h3 55.c6 h2 56.Rf2 f5 57.Re2+ Kf6 58.Kc8 Rc1 59.Rxh2 Rxc6+ 60.Kd7 Ra6 61.Rh6+ Ke5 62.Rxa6 f4 63.Ra5+ Ke4 64.Ke6 f3 65.Ra4+ Ke3 66.Ke5 f2 67.Ra3+ Ke2 68.Ra2+ Ke1 69.Ra1+ Ke2 70.Ke4 f1Q 71.Ra2+ Ke1 72.Ra1+ Ke2 73.Rxf1 Kxf1 ½-½ (73) Interestingidea (2831)-Alexander Utnasunov (2658) Blitz 2022]

12.a5 Bc6 13.f3 e6 14.Rfd1 Qe7 15.Na4 Bxa4 16.Rxa4 d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rd4 Qc5 20.b4 Qe7 21.f4 Rac8 22.Bf3 Nc3 23.Re1 Rc7 24.Re3 Nb5 25.Rdd3 Rfc8 26.c3 Qf6 27.Re5 Nxc3 28.g3 Nb5 29.Qf2 Rc1+ 30.Kg2 Qe7 31.Rb3 Qd7 32.Re2 Nd4 33.Rd3 R1c4 34.Red2 Rd8 35.Qe3 Qd6 36.Qe5+ Qxe5 37.fxe5 Rd7 38.Bd1 Rxb4 39.Kf2 f6 40.exf6+ Kxf6 41.g4 e5 42.Rh3 Kg7 43.Rc3 Re7 44.Ra3 e4 45.Ke3 Nb5 46.Ra4 Rb1 47.Be2 Rb3+ 48.Kf4 e3 49.Rd3 Rxd3 50.Bxd3 e2 0-1 (50) Toomanymanoevres (2943)-Nadigraj (2739) Blitz 2023

7.Bc4 Nbd7

[7...b5 8.Bb3 Bb7 9.a4 b4 10.Nd5 Nxe4 11.Qf3 Nc5 12.Nc7+ Qxc7 13.Qxf7+ Kd8 14.a5 Nc6 15.Ne6+ Nxe6 16.Bxe6 Ne5 17.Qf4 Qxc2 18.0-0 Qe4 19.Qg3 Bg7 20.Rac1 Nc6 21.Rfe1 Ke8 22.Bh6 Qd4 23.Bxg7 Qxg7 24.Bd5 Rc8 25.Qxd6 Nd8 26.Rxc8 Bxc8 27.Qxb4 Qf6 28.Qc5 Rf8 29.b4 Bd7 30.Bc4 Nc6 31.b5 Nxa5 32.bxa6 Nxc4 33.a7 Bc6 34.f3 Qd6 35.Qxc4 Qc7 36.a8Q+ Bxa8 37.Qxc7 Kf7 38.Rxe7+ Kf6 39.Qe5# 1-0 (39) Mikegscarn (2841)-Veldhoven (2614) Blitz 2021]

[7...Ng4 8.Bc1 Bg7 9.0-0 Nc6 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.h3 Ne5 12.Bb3 Be6 13.f4 Nd7 14.f5 Bxb3 15.cxb3 0-0 16.Bg5 Re8 17.Qd2 a5 18.Rad1 Qc7 19.h4 Rab8 20.h5 Ne5 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.Qe2 Rf8 24.Rxf8+ Rxf8 25.Rf1 Bf6 26.Bh6 Rf7 27.Nd1 Rh7 28.Be3

d5 29.Bf4 Qb6+ 30.Nf2 Rh4 31.g3 Rh5 32.exd5 cxd5 33.g4 Rh3 34.g5 Bg7 35.Bxe5 Re3 36.Bc7 Qc5 37.b4 axb4 38.Qd2 Bd4 39.Bh2 e5 40.Kg2 Qc8 41.Rc1 Qf5 42.Qd1 Qxg5+ 43.Kh1 Qf5 44.Qg1 Qf3+ 45.Qg2 Qf5 46.Rc6 Re1+ 47.Bg1 Bxf2 48.Rxg6+ Kf7 49.Rg7+ Ke6 50.Rg6+ Ke7 51.Rg7+ Kd6 52.Rg6+ Kc5 53.Rg5 Qh7+ 54.Qh2 Qe4+ 55.Qg2 Rxg1+ 56.Kh2 Qh4+ 57.Qh3 Qf4+ 0-1 (57) Dragonator (2840)-Warrior211 (2786) Blitz 2024]

8.0-0 b5 9.Bd5 Nxd5 10.exd5 Bb7 11.Nc6 Bxc6 12.dxc6 Nf6 13.Bd4 Bg7 14.Nd5 0-0 15.Nxf6+ exf6 16.Qf3 Rc8 17.Rad1 Re8 18.c3 Re6 19.Rfe1 Qc7 20.Rxe6 fxe6 21.Qh3 f5 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Qd3 d5 24.Qd4+ Kf7 25.Re1 Qxc6 26.Re3 Qd6 27.Qa7+ Rc7 28.Qd4 Re7 29.Qh8 e5 30.Qxh7+ Ke8 31.Qg8+ Kd7 32.Rg3 Re6 33.Rd3 d4 34.Qa8 Qc6 35.Qa7+ Qc7 36.Qa8 Rd6 37.Rh3 Ke6 38.Qg8+ Kf6 39.Qf8+ Ke6 40.Qg8+ Kf6 41.Qf8+ Ke6 42.Qg8+ ½-½ (42) Bettercollsoul (2859)-Gordima (2829) Blitz 2024

[49] **7...e5** 8.Nb3 Be6 9.Qd2

[9.Qe2 Nbd7 10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.Qd2 h5 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5 Bg7 14.Bd3 Qc7 15.Bg5 Nxd5 16.Bxg6 fxg6 17.Kb1 N5f6 18.Qxd6 Qxc2+ 19.Ka1 Kf7 20.Rc1 Qxg2 21.Rhg1 Qh3 22.Qb4 Rxc1+ 23.Rxc1 Qxf3 24.Rc7 Qd5 25.a4 b6 26.Qxb6 Re8 27.Nc5 Re7 28.Qa7 Qd1+ 29.Ka2 Qd5+ 30.Ka3 Bf8 31.b4 a5 32.Qxa5 Nxc5 33.Qxc5 Qd3+ 34.Qc3 Qxc3+ 35.Rxc3 Rb7 36.Rb3 Nd5 37.Bd2 e4 38.a5 e3 39.Be1 Bxb4+ 40.Ka4 e2 41.Rb2 Ra7 42.Bxb4 Nxb4 43.Rxe2 Nc6 44.Kb5 Rxa5+ 45.Kxc6 Rf5 46.Rd2 Kf6 47.Rd6+ Kg5 48.Rd3 Rf6+ 49.Kd5 Rf5+ 50.Ke4 Rf4+ 51.Ke5 Rf5+ 52.Ke4 Kh6 53.Ke3 h4 54.Rd4 Rg5 55.Rxh4+ 1-0 (55) Temurkuybokarov (2840)-Nadigraj (2709) Blitz 2024]

9...h5

[9...Nbd7 10.g4 Rc8 11.0-0-0 Qc7 12.h4 b5 13.Kb1 Nb6 14.a3 Nfd7 15.h5 Rg8 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Na5 Nc5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bd7 20.c4 bxc4 21.Bxc4 Rb8 22.Nc6 Bxc6 23.dxc6 Na4 24.b3 Qxc6 25.Ka2 Nc5 26.Rc1 Qb7 27.Bxc5 dxc5 28.Rce1 Bg7 29.f4 Rd8 30.Qf2 e4 31.f5 gxf5 32.Qxf5 Rd4 33.Rhf1 Rf8 34.Re2 Qd7 35.Rxe4+ Rxe4 36.Qxe4+ Kd8 37.Qa8+ Kc7 38.Qa7+ Kd8 39.Qb8+ Ke7 40.Re1+ Kf6 41.Qe5+ Kg6 42.Qh5+ Kf6 43.g5+ Normal 1-0 (43) Vistagausta (2852)-Nadigraj (2824) Blitz 2024]

10.0-0-0

[10.Nd5 Bxd5 11.exd5 Nbd7 12.0-0-0 Bg7 13.Kb1 0-0 14.Na5 Qc7 15.c4 e4 16.Qb4 exf3 17.gxf3 Rfe8 18.Bd4 Ne5 19.Be2 Nfd7 20.f4 Ng4 21.Bxg4 hxg4 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Nxb7 Reb8 24.Qc3+ Kg8 25.Na5 Nc5 26.b3 Ne4 27.Qe1 Re8 28.Nc6 a5 29.Rd4 f5 30.Qc1 a4 31.b4 a3 32.Rg1 Kf7 33.Rd3 Ra4 34.Rxa3 Rxa3 35.Qxa3 Nd2+ 36.Ka1 Qb6 37.Rc1 Qf2 38.Qa7+ Qxa7 39.Nxa7 g5 40.fxg5 Ra8 41.Rc2 Nxc4 42.Rxc4 Rxa7 43.b5 Kg6 44.a4 Kxg5 45.b6 Rb7 46.a5 f4 47.Kb2 f3 48.Kb3 f2 49.Rc1 Kf4 50.Kb4 Kf3 51.Kb5 Kg2 52.a6 Rb8 53.a7 Rf8 54.b7 1-0 (54) Chessxiaoxiang (2863)-Nadigraj (2736) Blitz 2023]

[10.Be2 Nbd7 11.a4 Rc8 12.0-0

Be7 13.a5 0-0 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Bf5 16.c4 Nf6 17.Kh1 Re8 18.Rac1 Bf8 19.Qb4 e4 20.f4 Bg4 21.Bxg4 Nxg4 22.Bg1 e3 23.h3 Qh4 24.Qe1 Qxe1 25.Rcxe1 Nf2+ 26.Bxf2 exf2 27.Rxe8 Rxe8 28.Rxf2 Re4 29.Nd2 Rd4 30.b3 Rd3 31.b4 f5 32.Re2 Kf7 33.Nf3 Be7 34.c5 Rxd5 35.cxd6 Rd1+ 36.Kh2 Bxd6 37.Ng5+ Kf8 38.g3 h4 39.Re6 hxg3+ 40.Kxg3 Rd3+ 41.Kh4 Bxf4 42.Rxg6 Ke7 43.Rb6 Rd4 44.Kh5 Bxg5 45.Kxg5 f4 46.Kg4 Kd7 47.Rxb7+ Ke6 48.Rb6+ Ke5 49.h4 Rd3 50.h5 Rg3+ 51.Kh4 Rg1 52.Rxa6 f3 53.Ra8 f2 54.Re8+ Kd4 55.Rf8 f1Q 56.Rxf1 Rxf1 57.h6 Kc4 58.a6 Kxb4 59.a7 Ra1 60.h7 Rh1+ 61.Kg5 Rxh7 62.a8Q Rg7+ 63.Kf6 1-0 (63) Kivurawnuru (2809)-Nadigraj (2771) Blitz 2023]

10...Nbd7

[10...Be7 11.h4 *(11.Kb1 b5 12.h3 h4 13.f4 b4 14.Nd5 Nxe4 15.Qe1 Ng3 16.Rg1 Bxd5 17.Rxd5 Nc6 18.Bc4 Qc7 19.Rd1 0-0 20.Bd5 a5 21.Nd2 a4 22.Nf3 Rab8 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.Qf2 Bf6 25.Bg5 Bg7 26.Nxh4 Nd4 27.Nxg6 Nh5 28.Ne7+ Kh7 29.Rxd4 exd4 30.Qh4 Bh6 31.Qxh5 Qd6 32.Be4+ Kh8 33.Bxh6 Rb5 34.Bg5+ Kg7 35.Qh7# 1-0 (35) Elektromagnit (2830)-Nadigraj (2744) Blitz 2022)* 11...Nbd7 12.g3 Rc8 13.Bh3 Bxh3 14.Rxh3 Qc7 15.Kb1 b5 16.a3 Nb6 17.Na5 0-0 18.g4 hxg4 19.fxg4 d5 20.Bxb6 Qxb6 21.Nxd5 Nxd5 22.exd5 b4 23.Nc6 Rxc6 24.dxc6 bxa3 25.Rb3 Qxc6 26.Qd7 Qxd7 27.Rxd7 Bxh4 28.Rxa3 e4 29.c4 Re8 30.Re3 f5 31.gxf5 gxf5 32.c5 Bf2 33.Re2 e3 34.c6 f4 35.c7 f3 36.Rc2 e2 37.Rc1 Bh4 38.c8Q e1Q 39.Qc4+ Kh8 40.Rxe1 1-0 (40) Exhausted10 (2834)-Nadigraj (2739) Blitz 2022]

[10...Nc6 11.Kb1 Rc8 12.Bg5 h4 13.f4 exf4 14.Qxf4 Be7 15.Nc5 Nh5 16.Bxe7 Nxf4 17.Bxd8 Nxd8 18.Nxe6 Ndxe6 19.Rxd6 Ke7 20.Rd1 Rcd8 21.Nd5+ Nxd5 22.exd5 Nf4 23.c4 Kd6 24.b4 b6 25.Rd2 Rde8 26.Bd3 Re3 27.Bc2 Rc8 28.Bb3 Nd3 29.a3 Nxb4 30.Ba4 Rxa3 0-1 (30) Anya6 (2811)-Nadigraj (2719) Blitz 2022]

11.Kb1

[11.h4 Rc8 12.Kb1 Be7 13.Be2 Qc7 14.g4 hxg4 15.fxg4 Nxg4 16.Bxg4 Bxg4 17.Nd5 Qd8 18.Rdg1 Bf3 19.Na5 Bxe4 20.Rc1 Bxd5 21.Qxd5 Nf6 22.Qxb7 Qc7 23.Qxa6 d5 24.Bg5 Ne4 25.c4 d4 26.Bxe7 Kxe7 27.Rhe1 Nc5 28.Qb5 Rxh4 29.b4 Nd3 30.c5 Nxc1 31.Kxc1 Kf8 32.Nc4 e4 33.Qa6 Rd8 34.Kb1 d3 35.Nd6 d2 36.Rd1 e3 37.a3 Rd4 38.Nb5 Qd7 39.Nxd4 Qxd4 0-1 (39) Exhausted10 (2826)-Nadigraj (2768) Blitz 2022]

11...Rc8 12.Bd3

[12.h3 h4 13.f4 Nh5 *(13...Bh6 14.Bd3 exf4 15.Bxf4 Bxf4 16.Qxf4 Qe7 17.Be2 Ne5 18.Rd4 Nfd7 19.Rhd1 Rc6 20.Qd2 g5 21.Na5 Rb6 22.Rxd6 Rxd6 23.Qxd6 Qxd6 24.Rxd6 Ke7 25.Nxb7 Rb8 26.Bxa6 Nc5 27.Nd5+ Bxd5 28.Rxd5 Nxa6 29.Rxe5+ Kf8 30.Nc5 Rd8 31.Kc1 Nb4 32.a3* 1-0 (32) Forgiants (2813)-Nadigraj (2752) Blitz 2023*)* 14.fxe5 dxe5 15.Bd3 Ng3 16.Rhe1 Be7 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 Nf6 19.c4 Nfh5 20.c5 0-0 21.d6 Bf6 22.Bc4 Nf5 23.Bg1 Kg7 24.Na5 Qd7 25.Qd5 Rb8 26.c6 bxc6 27.Nxc6

Nf4 28.Nxb8 Rxb8 29.Qf3 Rxb2+ 30.Kxb2 e4+ 31.Qc3 Bxc3+ 32.Kxc3 Nxd6 33.Bc5 Nb5+ 34.Kb4 Nd3+ 35.Bxd3 exd3 36.a4 a5+ 37.Kc4 Nc7 38.Rxd3 Qxa4+ 39.Kc3 Ne6 40.Bd6 Qc6+ 41.Kd2 Qxg2+ 42.Re2 Qc6 43.Be5+ Kh7 44.Rf2 Qb7 45.Ke2 Ng5 46.Re3 Ne4 47.Rf4 Ng3+ 48.Rxg3 Qb5+ 49.Rd3 Qxe5+ 50.Kf3 g5 51.Rxf7+ Kg6 52.Rdd7 Qg3+ 53.Ke4 Qe1+ 54.Kd4 Qd1+ 55.Kc5 Qc2+ 56.Kb6 Qb3+ 57.Ka6 Qxf7 58.Rd6+ Qf6 59.Kb6 1-0 (59) Anya6 (2849)-Nadigraj (2753) Blitz 2022]

12...Be7

[12...b5 13.Bg5 Be7 14.a3 Nb6 15.Rhe1 Qc7 16.h4 Rd8 17.Qf2 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Nc1 Rb8 20.N1a2 Qb7 21.Bc1 d5 22.Nxd5 Bxd5 23.exd5 Bxa3 24.Rxe5+ Kf8 25.Qd4 Kg7 26.d6 Rhd8 27.Qc3 Bxd6 28.Red5 Qc6 29.Bg5 Be7 30.Rxd8 Rxd8 31.Re1 Rd7 32.Rxe7 Rxe7 33.Nb4 Qe6 34.Bxf6+ Qxf6 35.Qxf6+ Kxf6 36.Nd5+ Ke6 37.Nxe7 Kxe7 38.Ka2 f6 39.Ka3 g5 40.hxg5 fxg5 41.Kb4 Ke6 42.Kxc4 Kf5 43.Kd5 Kf4 44.c4 Kg3 45.c5 h4 46.c6 Kxg2 47.c7 h3 48.c8Q h2 49.Qc2+ Kxf3 50.Qxh2 1-0 (50) Silence404 (2832)-Nadigraj (2696) Blitz 2024]

[12...Qc7 13.f4 Ng4 14.g3 Bg7 15.f5 gxf5 16.exf5 Bxb3 17.cxb3 Ndf6 18.Bg5 d5 19.h3 d4 20.Nb5 axb5 21.hxg4 hxg4 22.Rhe1 Kf8 23.Rc1 Qb8 24.Rxc8+ Qxc8 25.Rxe5 Rh1+ 26.Re1 Qc6 27.a3 Qf3 28.Rxh1 Qxh1+ 29.Ka2 Qf3 30.Bf4 Ne4 31.Qb4+ Kg8 32.Qxb5 Nf2 33.Qe8+ Kh7 34.Qxf7 Qxd3 35.Be5 1-0 (35) Soundofsiience (2825)-Nadigraj (2800) Blitz 2022]

13.h3 h4 14.f4 Nh5 15.f5 gxf5 16.exf5 Bxb3 17.axb3 Ndf6 18.Bg5 Ng3 19.Rhe1 Rh5 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.Ne4 d5 22.Nxg3 hxg3 23.Qe2 Rh4 24.Qf3 Rf4 25.Qxf4 1-0 (25) Azzaro25 (2999)-Nadigraj (2795) Blitz 2023

7...h5 8.Qd2

[8.Bc4 b5 *(8...Nbd7 9.Bb3 b5 10.a4 bxa4 11.Nxa4 Bb7 12.0-0 Bg7 13.Qe2 0-0 14.Qf2 Qc7 15.c4 Nc5 16.Nxc5 dxc5 17.Ne2 Nd7 18.Nf4 e6 19.Nd3 Rfc8 20.Ba4 Bc6 21.Bxc6 Qxc6 22.Ra5 Rab8 23.Rfa1 Rb3 24.Qc2 Qb7 25.Rxa6 Ne5 26.Nxc5 Rxb2 27.Nxb7 Rxc2 28.Nd6 Rb8 29.Ra8 Rxa8 30.Rxa8+ Kh7 31.Rc8 Re2 32.Bb6 Re1+ 33.Kf2 Nd3+ 34.Kg3 Be5+ 35.Kh3 Nf4+ 36.Kg3 Re2 37.Rh8+ Kg7* 0-1 (37) Temurkuybokarov (2854)-Warrior211 (2826) Blitz 2024*)* 9.Bb3 Bb7 10.Qd2 Nbd7 11.0-0-0 Rc8 12.Kb1 Bg7 13.Rhe1 *(13.Nd5 Ne5 14.Nf4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.b3 Rc8 17.Nfe6 fxe6 18.Nxe6 Qd7 19.Nxg7+ Kf7 20.e5 Kxg7 21.exf6+ exf6 22.Bd4 Rhe8 23.Rde1 Qf5 24.Kb2 h4 25.g4 Qd5 26.g5 Kf7 27.gxf6 a5 28.c3 Qh5 29.Qf4 Rcd8 30.Re7+ Rxe7 31.fxe7+ Kxe7 32.Bf6+ Kd7 33.Bxd8 Qxf3 34.Qxf3 Bxf3 35.Rf1 Bg2 36.Rg1 h3 37.Bxa5 Ke6 38.Bb6 Kf5 39.Bf2 Ke4 40.Bg3 d5 41.Rd1 Ke3 42.Rd4 Be4 43.a4 bxa4 44.bxa4 g5 45.a5 g4 46.a6 Bd3 47.a7* 1-0 (47) Medarde94 (2847)-Sina Iran (2817) Blitz 2021*)* 13...0-0 *(13...Ne5 14.h3 h4 15.Bg5 Nc4 16.Qe2 Qc7 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxb5 axb5 20.Rxd5 e6 21.Rxb5 Na3+ 22.bxa3 Qc3 23.Kc1 Qa1+ 24.Kd2 Bc3+*

25.Ke3 Bxe1 26.Qd3 Bg3 27.c4 Qg1+ 28.Kd2 Qxg2+ 29.Qe2 Qxh3 30.Rb7 0-0 31.a4 Qf5 32.Be3 h3 33.Rb5 e5 34.Bc2 Qh5 35.Be4 h2 0-1 (35) Donatella1954 (2821)-Sina Iran (2813) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Bh6 Rc5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h3 h4 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 Rh8 19.Nc6 Qf8 20.Rxe7 Rxc6 21.Rxd7 Rc5 22.Ra7 Qc8 23.Qa5 Rh5 24.Qxa6 Qd8 25.Qb7 Qe8 26.a3 Rg5 27.Ka2 Rxg2 28.Re1 Qxe1 29.Qxf7+ Kh6 30.Qxf6 Rg1 31.Qf4+ g5 32.Qf6+ Kh5 33.Rh7# 1-0 (33) Anya6 (2856)-Loin Sn (2821) Blitz 2022]

8...Nbd7 9.0-0-0 b5 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 Bb7 12.Nb3

[12.Kb1 Bxd5 13.Nxb5 Bxa2+ 14.Kxa2 axb5+ 15.Kb1 Bg7 16.Bxb5 0-0 17.Bxd7 Qxd7 18.Bd4 Qa4 19.c3 Rfb8 0-1 (19) Mrdalica (2832)-Gordima (2843) Blitz 2025]

12...Nf6 13.Bd4 Bh6 14.f4 Nxd5 15.g3 0-0 16.Na5 Bc8 17.Bg2 Be6 18.Rhe1 Rc8 19.Kb1 Qd7 20.Nb3 Rc4 21.Na5 Rc7 22.Be4 Rfc8 23.Rc1 Nf6 24.Bxf6 exf6 25.Bd5 Bxd5 26.Qxd5 Rc5 27.Qd3 f5 28.Nb3 Rc4 29.c3 Bg7 30.Rcd1 b4 31.cxb4 Rxb4 32.Qxd6 Qb5 33.Qd7 Qb8 34.Rc1 Rd8 35.Qc7 Qa8 36.Re7 Rf8 37.Qc6 Qd8 38.Rd7 Qb8 39.Qxa6 Qe8 40.Qc6 Qe2 41.Rd2 Qe3 42.Rdc2 Rfb8 43.Qc7 R4b7 44.Qc5 Qe4 45.Qc4 Qe7 46.h3 Qf6 47.Re2 Kh7 48.Rcc2 Rd8 49.a3 Rd1+ 50.Ka2 Rd8 51.g4 Rdb8 52.g5 Qb6 53.Nc5 Qxb2+ 54.Rxb2 Rxb2+ 55.Rxb2 Rxb2+ 56.Ka1 Rc2+ 57.Kb1 Rxc4 58.Nd7 Rc7 59.Nb6 Rb7 0-1 (59) Faustioro (2876)-Gordima (2852) Blitz 2024

7...Nbd7 8.Qd2

[8.a4 Bg7 9.Qd2 0-0 *(9...b6 10.Bc4 Bb7 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Bb3 Nc5 13.Bh6 0-0 14.Rad1 Qc7 15.Rfe1 Rfe8 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qg5 Kh8 18.Bxf7 Rf8 19.Ba2 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Ndxb5 Qb6 22.Qe3 Ba6 23.Nd4 Qxb2 24.Rb1 Qa3 25.Bb3 Nxb3 26.cxb3 Qc5 27.Rec1 e5 28.Nce2 Qb6 29.Rxc8 Bxc8 30.Nc2 Qc6 31.Rc1 Qb5 32.b4 Be6 33.Nc3 Qc4 34.Qd2 Rd8 35.b5 d5 36.Ne3 Qb4 37.exd5 Bd7 38.Rb1 Qd4 39.Rd1 Qb4 40.Ne4 Nxe4 41.Qxb4* 1-0 (41) Merci Mon Ami (2854)-Pilluco (2692) Blitz 2023*)* 10.Bc4 Ne5 11.Bb3 Bd7 12.a5 Rc8 13.0-0 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.Na4 Bxa4 17.Rxa4 d5 18.e5 Nd7 19.f4 Nc5 20.Ra2 Ne4 21.Qb4 Qd7 22.c4 Rfd8 23.cxd5 Qxd5 24.Nf3 Qd3 25.Bb6 Rd7 26.Re1 f5 27.exf6 Nxf6 28.Rd2 Qf5 29.Rxd7 Nxd7 30.Qxe7 Nxb6 31.axb6 Bf8 32.Qxb7 Rc2 33.Ne5 Bc5+ 34.Kh1 Qxf4 35.Qd5+ Kg7 36.b7 Rc1 37.Qd7+ Kh6 38.Ng4+ Kg5 39.Qd5+ Kxg4 40.Qe6+ Kg5 41.h3 Rxe1+ 42.Qxe1 Bd6 43.Kg1 Qh2+ 44.Kf1 Qh1+ 45.Ke2 Qxe1+ 46.Kd3 0-1 (46) Elektromagnit (2899)-Elfugitivo (2841) Blitz 2022]

8...b5 9.g4

[9.a3 Bb7 10.Bd3 Bg7 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Nb3 0-0 13.Rad1 Ne5 14.Be2 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Nd4 Nd7 17.Nde2 Ne5 18.Bd4 Qc7 19.Kh1 Rfd8 20.Qe3 Qc6 21.Nd5 Re8 22.f4 Ng4 23.Qg3 Nf6 24.Bxf6 exf6 25.Nec3 Qc5 26.f5 g5 27.h4 h6 28.Kh2 Re5 29.Rf3 Rce8 30.hxg5 hxg5 31.Qg4 Bxd5 32.Rxd5 Rxd5 33.Nxd5 Qd4 34.Nc3 d5 35.Rf1 dxe4 36.Re1 Qe5+ 37.Kh1 e3 38.Nd1 Qf4 39.Qxf4 gxf4 40.g3 Bh6

41.gxf4 Bxf4 42.Kg2 Re5 43.Kf3 Bg5 44.Nxe3 Bxe3 45.Rxe3 Rxf5+ 46.Kg4 Rg5+ 47.Kf4 Kg7 48.Rc3 Rh5 49.Kg4 Rc5 50.Kf4 Kg6 51.Rg3+ Rg5 52.Rc3 f5 53.b4 Rg4+ 54.Kf3 Kf6 55.a4 Ke5 56.Re3+ Kd4 57.c3+ Kd5 58.Re8 Rh4 59.Ra8 Rh3+ 60.Kf4 Rxc3 61.Rxa6 Rb3 62.b5 c3 63.Rc6 Kd4 64.b6 Ra3 65.b7 Rb3 66.Rc7 Kd3 67.a5 Rb4+ 68.Kf3 c2 69.a6 Rb1 70.a7 Rxb7 71.Rxb7 Kd2 72.a8Q c1Q 73.Kg3 Qg1+ 74.Kf4 Qf2+ 75.Ke5 Qe3+ 76.Kf6 Qe6+ 77.Kg7 Qg6+ 78.Kf8 Qh6+ 79.Ke7 Qe6+ 80.Kd8 Qd6+ 81.Kc8 Qc6+ 82.Kb8 Qe8+ 83.Ka7 Qxa8+ 84.Kxa8 f4 85.Rxf7 Ke3 86.Rxf4 Kxf4 ½-½ (86) Virtualspace (2881)-Elfugitivo (2686) Blitz 2023]

[9.a4 bxa4 10.Nxa4 *(10.Nd5 Bb7 11.Nxf6+ Nxf6 12.Rxa4 Bg7 13.c4 0-0 14.Be2 Qc7 15.0-0 Rfb8 16.Rfa1 Nd7 17.R1a3 Bc8 18.Ra5 Ne5 19.b3 Nd7 20.Bf1 Nc5 21.b4 Nd7 22.b5 Ne5 23.R5a4 Bb7 24.bxa6 Bc8 25.Nb5 Qc6 26.h3 Rxa6 27.Rxa6 Bxa6 28.Qa5 Bb7 29.Ra4 Ra8 30.Na7 Qd7 31.Qb5 Qxb5 32.cxb5 d5 33.exd5 Bxd5 34.b6 e6 35.Ba6 Nd7 36.b7 Rb8 37.Rb4 Bf8 38.Rb1 Bd6 39.Nc8 Bc7 40.Ne7+ Kf8 41.Nxd5 exd5 42.Ba7 Rd8 43.Rc1 Bb8 44.Bd4 Ke7 45.Rc8 Bd6 46.Ba7 Nb8 47.Bb5 Be5 48.Bb6 Bd6 49.Bxd8+ 1-0 (49) Slimfritz (2819)-Econpower (2649) Blitz 2022)* 10...Bg7 11.Be2 Bb7 12.0-0 0-0 13.c4 Qc7 14.b4 Rfc8 15.Rac1 a5 16.b5 Nc5 17.Nxc5 dxc5 18.Nb3 Nd7 19.Rfd1 Rd8 20.Bf4 Qb6 21.Qa2 a4 22.Nd2 Bd4+ 23.Kh1 Nf8 24.Nb1 Ne6 25.Bh6 Qa5 26.Bd2 Qc7 27.Nc3 Nf4 28.Bf1 e6 29.Bxf4 Qxf4 30.Ne2 Qe3 31.Nxd4 Rxd4 32.Re1 Qf4 33.Qa3 Qe5 34.Red1 h5 35.Rxd4 Qxd4 36.h3 f5 37.exf5 gxf5 38.Re1 Kf7 39.Qc1 Qf6 40.Qd2 Rd8 41.Qa5 Qh4 42.Rb1 Ra8 43.Qc7+ Qe7 44.Qe5 a3 45.b6 a2 46.Ra1 Qf6 47.Qc7+ Qe7 48.Qe5 Bc6 49.Bd3 Kg6 50.Qc7 Qxc7 51.bxc7 Rc8 52.Kg1 Rxc7 53.Rxa2 Rd7 54.Rd2 Rd4 55.Kf2 Kf6 56.Ke3 e5 57.Rf2 Bd7 58.Ke2 Be6 59.Rf1 Bxc4 60.Ke3 Rxd3+ 61.Kf2 Rd2+ 62.Kg3 Bxf1 63.Kh4 Rxg2 64.f4 c4 65.Kxh5 exf4 0-1 (65) Timetraveling (2832)-Elfugitivo (2836) Blitz 2022]

Quintiliano,Renato: 'Alternatively' 9...Bb7 10.h4

[10.g5 Nh5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'is an important line. In his book on the 'New Dragon' Simon Williams essentially remarks on this that now White can choose between 11 a4, 11 0-0-0 and is an important line. In his book on the 'New Dragon' Simon Williams essentially remarks on this that now White can choose between 11 a4, 11 0-0-0 and is an important line. In his book on the 'New Dragon' Simon Williams essentially remarks on this that now White can choose between 11 a4, 11 0-0-0 and' 11.f4 Quintiliano,Renato: '. The latter initiates an immediate kingside pawn-storm and perhaps Black should counter with a strike in the centre e.g. . The latter initiates an immediate kingside pawn-storm and perhaps Black should counter with a strike in the centre e.g. . The latter initiates an immediate kingside pawn-storm and perhaps Black should counter with a strike in the centre e.g.' e5

Quintiliano,Renato: '!?' 12.Nde2 Nb6 Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Quintiliano, Renato: '(White's light-squared bishop no longer controls c4, so Black aims to land a knight on that square) with (White's light-squared bishop no longer controls c4, so Black aims to land a knight on that square) with (White's light-squared bishop no longer controls c4, so Black aims to land a knight on that square) with' 13.Bxb6 *(13.b3 exf4* Quintiliano, Renato: 'could even turn out to be better for Black certainly after' *14.Nxf4 Nxf4 15.Bxf4 Bg7* Quintiliano, Renato: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Black's bishops are controlling two important diagonals Black's bishops are controlling two important diagonals Black's bishops are controlling two important diagonals') 13...Qxb6 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.Qxd5 Rc8 Quintiliano,Renato: 'being unclear. "]

10...Bg7

[10...h6 11.0-0-0 Quintiliano,Renato: 'This move invites Black to play aggressively on the queenside.' Quintiliano,Renato: 'This move invites Black to play aggressively on the queenside.'

A) Sam Collins: 'Caruana suggested' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'I don't think anyone could argue that a black rook isn't well placed on this handy half-open file but the question is whether it's worth investing a tempo on. The last time we covered this position I advocated the immediate" ⌓11...b4! Sam Collins: '"and White is a bit better, but it's nothing crazy."' Quintiliano,Renato: 'looks to be the better try - 109/130 Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'and after''Quintiliano, Renato: 'looks to be the better try' 12.Nce2∞ e5 13.Nb3 a5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'these advances are thematic in this variation, trying to play by advancing in queenside or with a well timed d5 Chris Ward: 'and I haven't seen anything to change my mind. It's clear that the black rook may find some action on the a-file and practical outings include:'' Quintiliano,Renato: 'these advances are thematic in this variation, trying to play by advancing in queenside or with a well timed d5' 14.Kb1↑ *(14.Rh3* Quintiliano,Renato: '!?') 14...d5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'now White can play Chris Ward: '!?''Quintiliano, Renato: 'now White can play'

A1) 15.g5 hxg5 16.Bxg5 a4 17.Nbc1 Qb6 18.Bh3 d4 19.Ng3 Quintiliano,Renato: 'which tendered about equal chances in Izso, D (2370)-Zhou, Y (2475) Budapest 2014 where the young English IM again emerged on top. which tendered about equal chances in Izso, D (2370)-Zhou,Y (2475) Budapest 2014 where the young English IM again emerged on top. which tendered about equal chances in Izso, D (2370)-Zhou,Y (2475) Budapest 2014 where the young English IM again emerged on top. ';

A2) Quintiliano,Renato: 'or' 15.exd5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'where similar to our main game Black could possibly improve by

recapturing with his bishop or in this case flicking in ...a4 but where similar to our main game Black could possibly improve by recapturing with his bishop or in this case flicking in ...a4 but where similar to our main game Black could possibly improve by recapturing with his bishop or in this case flicking in ...a4 but' Nxd5 16.c4 Quintiliano,Renato: '?!' Nxe3 *(Quintiliano,Renato: 'Rather than the speculative' 16...a4 17.Nc5 Bxc5 18.cxd5 Qb6 19.Bxc5 Nxc5 20.Ng3 Nb3* Quintiliano,Renato: 'of Petrosyan, T (2106)-Zhou,Y (2295) Kemer 2009 of Petrosyan,T (2106)-Zhou, Y (2295) Kemer 2009 of Petrosyan,T (2106)-Zhou,Y (2295) Kemer 2009 Chris Ward: 'of Petrosyan,T (2106)-Zhou,Y (2295) Kemer 2009'') 17.Qxe3 Qb6 Quintiliano,Renato: 'is also good for Black.';

A3) 15.Bh3 Sam Collins: '=' Sam Collins: 'was less principled in L. Mkrtchian - A.Ushenina Ekaterinburg 2007 (0-1 in 36).' Quintiliano,Renato: 'N!?' Quintiliano,Renato: 'which looks complicated for both'Quintiliano, Renato: 'which looks complicated for both'

A3a) better than 15...dxe4± F.Szente Varga - M.Bodrogi, Budapest 2015 (0-1 in 59) Quintiliano,Renato: '?' 16.g5 - 85/121 exf3 *(16...hxg5 17.hxg5)* 17.gxf6 Nxf6 18.Qe1 Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Qc7 19.Ned4 Quintiliano, Renato: '+-!';

A3b) 15...a4 16.Nbc1∞ dxe4 Sam Collins 17.g5 Quintiliano, Renato: '!' exf3 *(17...hxg5* 1/2-1/2 (45) Tari,A (2584)-Dudukin,I (2396) chess.com INT 2017 Now Black sacrificed the exchange by taking on e5 but simply *18.hxg5=* was good enough. *Rxh3* Quintiliano,Renato: '?' *19.Rxh3 Nh5 20.f4=* B.Miljanic - M.Pavlovic, Kladovo 1991 (1-0 in 49). Quintiliano,Renato: ' ±') 18.gxf6 Nxf6 19.Qe1 Quintiliano, Renato: '!' Qc7 20.Ng3 Quintiliano,Renato: ' ∞ ' Quintiliano,Renato: 'with a very complicated battle.' Quintiliano,Renato: 'with a very complicated battle.';

B) 11...Rc8 Quintiliano,Renato: '?!' Quintiliano,Renato: 'This seems slow to me.'Quintiliano,Renato: 'This seems slow to me.'

B1) 12.Bd3N Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'I have to say that it's great to see one of the World's best involved in a Dragon encounter again and although it's easy to criticise Black (himself a very strong player), the way that Fabiano smoothly puts away this game is definitely to be admired.' Chris Ward: 'I have to say that it's great to see one of the World's best involved in a Dragon encounter again and although it's easy to criticise Black (himself a very strong player), the way that Fabiano smoothly puts away this game is definitely to be admired.'

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B1a) 12...Ne5 Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'and' Chris Ward: 'and' Chris Ward: 'and' could had offered better chances' Quintiliano,Renato: 'could had offered better chances' 13.Kb1 Quintiliano, Renato: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: 'after this preventive move, White is totally ready to start active play on the kingside' Quintiliano,Renato: 'after this preventive move, White is totally ready to start active play on the kingside' *(13.g5 b4* Quintiliano,Renato: '!' *14.Nce2 hxg5 15.hxg5± Rxh1 16.Rxh1 Nxd3+ 17.Qxd3 Nd7* Quintiliano,Renato: '⇄' *)* 13...Nfd7 14.h5 Quintiliano, Renato: 'like in the game is also interesting'Quintiliano, Renato: 'like in the game is also interesting' *(14.g5!? hxg5!* Sam Collins: '±!' Sam Collins: 'was better, covering key squares.' *15.hxg5 Rxh1 16.Rxh1* Quintiliano,Renato: 'with an pleasant position also' Quintiliano,Renato: 'with an pleasant position also'*)* 14...g5± 15.Be2 e6 16.Nb3 Qc7 17.a3± Quintiliano, Renato: 'Black has a solid position for now, but sooner or latter White can play f4, opening the kingside and pressing against the h6-pawn. The computer's evaluation is not so advisable in such positions, because it always defends perfectly, but in practice it is very difficult to play such positions, especially for aggressive and dynamic players.' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Black has a solid position for now, but sooner or latter White can play f4, opening the kingside and pressing against the h6-pawn. The computer's evaluation is not so advisable in such positions, because it always defends perfectly, but in practice it is very difficult to play such positions, especially for aggressive and dynamic players.';

B1b) 12...Nb6± Quintiliano, Renato: 'eyeing up the c4-square are worthy of consideration. eyeing up the c4-square are worthy of consideration. eyeing up the

c4-square are worthy of consideration.';

B1c) 12...b4? Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'A natural progression although both' Chris Ward: 'A natural progression although both' Chris Ward: 'A natural progression although both' Trying the same thematic idea, but now White's position is much improved in comparison with the other variations.' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Trying the same thematic idea, but now White's position is much improved in comparison with the other variations.' 13.Nce2

B1c1) Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'Continuing thematically with the standard two-step plan but there are some differences in this particular position that suggest Black need to act with caution. In light of the main game, instead the immediate' Chris Ward: 'Continuing thematically with the standard two-step plan but there are some differences in this particular position that suggest Black need to act with caution. In light of the main game, instead the immediate' ' 13...d5 Quintiliano,Renato: ' ⌂ ' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: '!?' '!?' Chris Ward: 'might be worth a go with'' 14.exd5 *(14.g5 hxg5! 15.hxg5* Quintiliano,Renato: '?!' *Rxh1 16.Rxh1 dxe4* Quintiliano,Renato: 'would have turned out well whilst'*; 14.Qxb4 dxe4 15.Qxb7± exd3?!* Quintiliano,Renato: 'is equally plausible.'*)* 14...Nxd5 Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'not ridiculous although'' 15.h5 Quintiliano,Renato: '!' g5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'in this position White has like 2 or 3 good options, this is why such positions are difficult to play, Black has to be always finding the only moves to keep playing' Quintiliano,Renato: 'in this position White has like 2 or 3 good options, this is why such positions are difficult to play, Black has to be always finding the only moves to keep playing' 16.Nf5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: '!' '!' Chris Ward: 'though not strictly speaking an outpost, is still worrying.' Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'though not strictly speaking an outpost, is still worrying.' Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'though not strictly speaking an outpost, is still worrying.''

(16.Bf5⩱) 16...Nxe3⩲ 17.Qxe3 e6 18.Be4 Quintiliano,Renato: '↑';

B1c2) 13...e5 Sam Collins: '!' Sam Collins: 'The only way for Black to play, according to Caruana.' Quintiliano,Renato: '?' Quintiliano,Renato: 'This will leave Black with a already losing position.'Quintiliano, Renato: 'This will leave Black with a already losing position.' 14.Nb3 d5 15.exd5

B1c21) Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'Automatically played but again with the benefit of hindsight one would have to conclude that' Chris Ward: 'Automatically played but again with the benefit of hindsight one would have to conclude that' Chris Ward: 'Automatically played but again with the benefit of hindsight one would have to conclude that'' 15...Bxd5 Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: '!?' '!?' Chris Ward: 'is superior. The f-pawn comes under immediate threat and'' 16.Rhf1 *(16.g5 hxg5 17.hxg5 Rxh1 18.Rxh1 Nh5* Quintiliano,Renato: 'here the computer gives the forced strike'Quintiliano, Renato: 'here the computer gives the forced strike' *19.Bxg6±* Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Sam Collins: 'Caruana suggested' *19...Bxb3* Sam Collins: '!' Sam Collins: 'and 20...Rf7, which is indeed the best defence.' *20.Be4)* 16...a5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'leaves some queenside counterplay.' Chris Ward: 'leaves some queenside counterplay.' Chris Ward: 'leaves some queenside counterplay.'' 17.g5 hxg5 Sam Collins: '+-' Sam Collins: 'transposes' 18.hxg5 a4± 19.Na1 Sam Collins Nh5 20.Bxg6 Quintiliano, Renato: '±!';

B1c22) 15...Nxd5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: '?!' '?!'' 16.h5 Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Almost always, White tries to break Black's position in the Dragon opening in the h-file, but here the weakness of the f5-square is much more important.' ⩱''⩱''⩱''⩱' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Almost always, White tries to break Black's position in the Dragon opening in the h-file, but here the weakness of the f5-square is much more important.'

B1c221) 16...Nxe3

17.Qxe3 Qg5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'would be okay for Black if White had to trade queens. Unfortunately though' Chris Ward: 'would be okay for Black if White had to trade queens. Unfortunately though' Chris Ward: 'would be okay for Black if White had to trade queens. Unfortunately though' it was Black's last chance to complicate matters' Quintiliano, Renato: 'it was Black's last chance to complicate matters' 18.f4 Quintiliano, Renato: '!' *(* Quintiliano, Renato: 'Yes,' *18.Qxg5* (otherwise Nd6) *hxg5 19.hxg6 Rxh1 20.gxf7+±* and Black retains practical drawing chances. *Ke7* Quintiliano,Renato: '!' *21.Rxh1 Bxf3* Quintiliano,Renato: 'is okay for Black.'*)* 18...Qxg4 19.hxg6 Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'is very unappetising with'' Bxh1 20.Rxh1+- *(* Caruana looked at *20.gxf7+!* Sam Collins *Kxf7 21.Rxh1!* , but didn't see anything clear. The engine confirms that this was the best way to play. Quintiliano, Renato: 'leaving White with excellent compensation for the exchange and probably not far off winning. leaving White with excellent compensation for the exchange and probably not far off winning. leaving White with excellent compensation for the exchange and probably not far off winning.' *)* 20...fxg6 21.Rg1 Qe6?! 22.Ned4 Quintiliano, Renato: '!' Qe7 23.Bxg6+ Kd8 24.fxe5 Qxe5 25.Qd2 Quintiliano,Renato: 'Black's defence is just very difficult here, White has too many threats' Quintiliano, Renato: 'Black's defence is just very difficult here, White has too many threats' h5 26.Kb1⇄ Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Bh6 27.Qd1 Rf8 28.Bxh5!± Quintiliano, Renato: '+-';

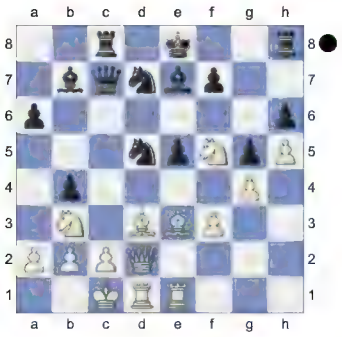
B1c222) 16...g5 Sam Collins: 'Caruana assessed Black's compensation as insufficient.' Quintiliano,

Renato: 'Chris Ward: '?!' '?!'' 17.Ng3!? Quintiliano,Renato: '+-' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'The point then is that although Black can swap his knight for White's dark-squared bishop, his own Dragon bishop may just end up being bad and White has an excellent outpost at his disposal on f5 and some more blatant central pressure on its way too.' Chris Ward: 'The point then is that although Black can swap his knight for White's dark-squared bishop, his own Dragon bishop may just end up being bad and White has an excellent outpost at his disposal on f5 and some more blatant central pressure on its way too.' Chris Ward: 'The point then is that although Black can swap his knight for White's dark-squared bishop, his own Dragon bishop may just end up being bad and White has an excellent outpost at his disposal on f5 and some more blatant central pressure on its way too.' It's a curious thing that in this position White is already winning by +2, even without being a single pawn up. This happens because Black's position is very committed, the king cannot leave the centre easily and White just has to finish the development in the centre and launch an attack, which will be deadly.' Quintiliano, Renato: 'It's a curious thing that in this position White is already winning by +2, even without being a single pawn up. This happens because Black's position is very committed, the king cannot leave the centre easily and White just has to finish the development in the centre and launch an attack, which will be deadly.' Qc7 *(* Quintiliano,Renato: 'Upon' *17...Nxe3 18.Qxe3 Qb6* Quintiliano,Renato: 'White should simply keep the queens on with' *19.Qe2* Quintiliano,Renato: 'leaving Bf5 a serious threat.' *)* 18.Rhe1

B1c2221) 18...Rd8 19.Nf5 Be7 20.Kb1!

Kf8 21.Nxe7 Kxe7 *(21...Nxe7 22.Qxb4)* 22.f4 Quintiliano,Renato: '+-!';

B1c2222) 18...Be7 19.Nf5 Diagram



Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'Unfortunately you don't have to be rated over 2800 to find these flowing moves and there are more where they came from!' Chris Ward: 'Unfortunately you don't have to be rated over 2800 to find these flowing moves and there are more where they came from!' Chris Ward: 'Unfortunately you don't have to be rated over 2800 to find these flowing moves and there are more where they came from!'' N7f6? Sam Collins: 'A desirable move, but with a tactical drawback.' 20.Bf2 Sam Collins: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'Uncovering the rook and offering up a sneaky switch of the bishop to g3.' Chris Ward: 'Uncovering the rook and offering up a sneaky switch of the bishop to g3.' Chris Ward: 'Uncovering the rook and offering up a sneaky switch of the bishop to g3.' The sad thing about such positions is that after almost any move White retains a big advantage, so it is a matter of time until something horrible happen to Black.' Quintiliano, Renato: 'The sad thing about such positions is that after almost any move White retains a big advantage, so it is a matter of time until something horrible happen to Black.' Kf8 21.Nxe7 Nxe7 22.Bg3 Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'Like that!'' Nd7 Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'White's last move hit the e5-

pawn but also pinned it. Hence..." 23.Nd4 Quintiliano, Renato: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'All of White's pieces are doing something useful and this was preferred to the equally strong capturing of the loose b4-pawn.' Chris Ward: 'All of White's pieces are doing something useful and this was preferred to the equally strong capturing of the loose b4-pawn.' Chris Ward: 'All of White's pieces are doing something useful and this was preferred to the equally strong capturing of the loose b4-pawn.'' Qa5 Sam Collins: '??' *(23...Qb6 24.Bf5* Quintiliano, Renato: '!' *exd4 25.Bxd7 Rd8 26.Qxd4 Qxd4 27.Rxd4± Bc6? 28.Be5!!-+* Quintiliano,Renato: '!' *)*

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Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'Sensible although actually' Chris Ward: 'Sensible although actually' Chris Ward: 'Sensible although actually'' 24.Bf5 Qxa2 *(24...Nxf5 25.Nxf5 Qxa2 26.Qxb4+ Kg8 27.Rxd7!* Quintiliano,Renato: '+-' *)* 25.Qxb4+- Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: '!' '!' Chris Ward: 'would have left Black going nowhere and in deep trouble.' Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'would have left Black going nowhere and in deep trouble.' Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'would have left Black going nowhere and in deep trouble.'' Rc4 26.Qxb7 Qa1+ 27.Kd2+- Rxd4+ Diagram

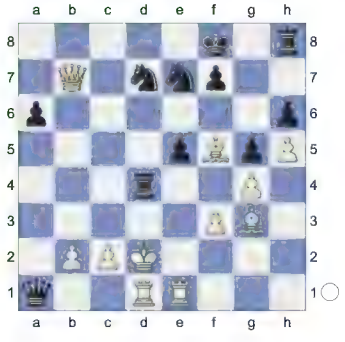

Diagram [#] Sam Collins: '!' Sam Collins: ', although

it doesn't threaten to take on g3 yet, prepares ...Rh5 and seems to hold.' 28.Ke2! Quintiliano, Renato: '+-';

B1c22222) 24.Kb1 Sam Collins: '!?' Quintiliano,Renato: 'And the good thing about such positions is that if you are on the winning side, you don't have to worry about playing like a machine, and can just win without giving chances to your opponent.' Quintiliano,Renato: 'And the good thing about such positions is that if you are on the winning side, you don't have to worry about playing like a machine, and can just win without giving chances to your opponent.' 24...Qb6 *(24...exd4 25.Bd6 Re8 26.Bf5 Qb6 27.Qh2+-; 24...Bd5!* Sam Collins: '+-!' Sam Collins: 'was even more efficient. ' *25.Nb3 Qb6 26.Bxe5 Nxe5+- 27.Rxe5 Bxf3 28.Rf1 Bxg4 29.Nc5* Quintiliano, Renato: '!' *Rxc5 30.Qf2* Quintiliano, Renato: '+-') 25.Bf5 Sam Collins: '+-' Sam Collins: 'Moving out of the discovered check.' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'Again ruthless although equally White could have parked his knight here.' Chris Ward: 'Again ruthless although equally White could have parked his knight here.' Chris Ward: 'Again ruthless although equally White could have parked his knight here."

B1c222221) 25...exd4 26.Bxd7+- Rd8 27.Qxd4!+- Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'was hardly worth considering with'' Qxd4 28.Rxd4! Bc6 *(28...Bxf3* Quintiliano,Renato: 'being flattened by being flattened by being flattened by' *29.Be5! Rh7 30.Bf6)* 29.Be5 Quintiliano,Renato: '+-!';

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25...Rc4 26.Ne6+ Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'Again White has plenty of excellent options but this star of Modern chess selects the most visual and accurate path.' Chris Ward: 'Again White has plenty of excellent options but this star of Modern chess selects the most visual and accurate path.' Chris Ward: 'Again White has plenty of excellent options but this star of Modern chess selects the most visual and accurate path.' Not so difficult, but beautiful. Now White breaks inside all Black's defences.' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Not so difficult, but beautiful. Now White breaks inside all Black's defences.' fxe6 27.Qxd7 exf5 Sam Collins: 'Now 28. fxe4 is the quickest mate but Caruana's solution is perfectly good.' *(* Quintiliano, Renato: 'Or' *27...Bc8 28.Qd8+ Qxd8 29.Rxd8+ Kf7 30.Bg6+ Nxg6 31.hxg6+* Quintiliano,Renato: 'when of course' *Kg7* Quintiliano, Renato: 'to protect the rook fails to' *32.Bxe5+)* 28.Bxe5 Rh7 29.Bd6 Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'And White is regaining his sacrificed piece with a massive position.' Chris Ward: 'And White is regaining his sacrificed piece with a massive position.' Chris Ward: 'And White is regaining his sacrificed piece with a massive position.'' Bc8 30.Bxe7+ Kf7 31.Qd3 Sam Collins: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Chris Ward: '!' '!' Chris Ward: 'Relentless!'' Rc3 *(31...Rf4 32.Bd6* Sam Collins: '+-'*)* 32.Qd8 *(* Quintiliano, Renato: 'Infinitely

preferable to' *32.bxc3* Quintiliano,Renato: '??' *bxc3++-* Quintiliano,Renato: 'with the black queen about to appear on b2 to somewhat turn things on their head! with the black queen about to appear on b2 to somewhat turn things on their head! with the black queen about to appear on b2 to somewhat turn things on their head!' *)* 32...Qxd8 33.Rxd8 Sam Collins: 'Gelfand's opening play was not as airtight as it normally is. Caruana's 12... g5!? deserves further tests.' 1-0 (33) Caruana,F (2827)-Gelfand,B (2703) Batumi 2018 [Perunovic, Milos] Quintiliano, Renato: 'Chris Ward: 'And with the rook en prise and mate on f8 threatened, Black throws in the towel, not a moment too soon!' Chris Ward: 'And with the rook en prise and mate on f8 threatened, Black throws in the towel, not a moment too soon!' Chris Ward: 'And with the rook en prise and mate on f8 threatened, Black throws in the towel, not a moment too soon!";

B2) 12.Bh3;

B3) 12.Kb1;

B4) 12.a3 Bg7 *(12...Qa5 13.Nb3 Qc7 14.Qf2* Quintiliano, Renato: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: 'and after'Quintiliano,Renato: 'and after' *e6* Quintiliano,Renato: '?!' *15.Kb1 Qb8 16.Bh3* Quintiliano,Renato: '±' Quintiliano, Renato: ';1-0 Giri,A (2776)-Ivanisevic,I (2643) Qatar Masters op 2014 (3) Black has an extremely unpleasant position -' Quintiliano,Renato: 'Black has an extremely unpleasant position -' *)*

B4a) 13.h5 g5 14.Nf5 Bf8 15.Kb1 Ne5 16.Be2 Nfd7 17.Rhe1 *(17.f4 gxf4 18.Bxf4 e6 19.Nxd6+ Bxd6 20.Qxd6 Qc7 21.Qd4 Qc5 22.Qd2 Nb6 23.Rh3 Nec4 24.Bxc4 Qxc4 25.Bxh6 Bxe4 26.Bg7 Rh7 27.h6 Nd5 28.Nxe4 Qxe4 29.Re1 Qxg4 30.Qxd5 Qxh3 31.Qb7 Rd8 32.Bf6* 1-0 (32) Charles Ingalls (2813)-Alexander Utnasunov (2651) Blitz 2022*)* 17...Nc4 18.Bxc4

Rxc4 19.b3 Rc8 20.Nd5 Ne5 21.Bb6 Qd7 22.Re3 Qc6 23.Rc3 Qxc3 24.Nxc3 Nxf3 25.Qe3 Ne5 26.Nd5 e6 27.Nf6# 1-0 (27) Vistagausta (2850)-Alexander Utnasunov (2707) Blitz 2022;

B4b) 13.Be2 Ne5 14.g5 hxg5 15.hxg5 Rxh1 16.Rxh1 Nh5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.b3 Rc8 20.Nd5 *(20.Rh3 Qc7 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 Bxd4 23.Bxd4 Qd7 24.Re3 Qf5 25.Kb2 Nxf4 26.Bf6 Nxd5 27.Qe2 Rxc2+* 0-1 (27) Vistagausta (2821)-Gadya Petrovich666 (2648) Blitz 2023*)* 20...e6 21.Nb6 Qxb6 22.Nxe6 Qc6 23.Nxg7+ Nxg7 24.Bd4 Ne6 25.Bf6 Qxe4 26.Rh8+ Kd7 27.Rh7 Qxf4 28.Rxf7+ Kc6 29.Qxf4 Nxf4 30.Be7 Nd5 31.Bxd6 Kxd6 32.Rxb7 Ne7 33.Ra7 Rc6 34.Kd2 Ke6 35.c4 bxc4 36.bxc4 Rxc4 37.Rxa6+ Rc6 38.Ra5 Rd6+ 39.Ke3 Rd5 40.Ra6+ Kf5 41.a4 Kxg5 42.a5 Nf5+ 43.Ke4 Rd4+ 44.Ke5 Ra4 45.Ra8 Ne7 46.a6 Nc6+ 47.Kd6 Nd4 48.Kc5 Kg4 49.Rg8 Rxa6 50.Kxd4 Re6 51.Kd3 g5 52.Rg7 Kf4 53.Rf7+ Kg3 54.Rf1 g4 55.Rg1+ Kf3 56.Rf1+ Kg2 57.Rf4 g3 0-1 (57) Vistagausta (2854)-Alexander Utnasunov (2703) Blitz 2022]

11.h5 Rg8

[11...b4 12.Na4 e5 13.h6 Bf8 14.g5 exd4 15.Bxd4 Ne5 16.Bxe5 dxe5 17.Qxd8+ Rxd8 18.gxf6 Rd6 19.Nc5 Bc8 20.a3 bxa3 21.Rxa3 Rxf6 22.Rc3 Rc6 23.b4 Bxc5 24.Rxc5 Rxc5 25.bxc5 Ke7 26.Bc4 Be6 27.Bd5 a5 28.Kd2 Rc8 29.c6 Rc7 30.Ra1 Ra7 31.Rb1 Kd6 32.c4 a4 33.Rb7 Ra5 34.Bxe6 Kxe6 35.c7 Rc5 36.Kc3 a3 37.Kb4 Rc6 38.Kb5 Kd6 39.Rb6 Rxb6+ 40.Kxb6 a2 41.c8Q a1Q 42.c5+ Ke7 43.Qc7+ Kf6 44.Qd6+ Kg5 45.c6 f5 46.c7 Qb2+ 47.Kc6 Qc2+ 48.Kd7 Qa4+ 49.Ke7 Qa5 50.c8Q Qa7+ 51.Qcd7 Qe3 52.Qxe5 Qxf3 53.exf5 Kg4 54.fxg6+ Kh4 55.Qdd4+ 1-0 (55) Vistagausta (2852)-Sina Iran (2721) Blitz 2021]

12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.Kb1 Ne5 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.g5 Nxf3 16.Nxf3 Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Bxe4 18.Bg2 Rxc2 19.Qxc2 Bxc2+ 20.Kxc2 Qc8+ 21.Kb1 Qg4 22.Rhg1

[22.Nh4 Rh8 23.Bc6+ Kf8 24.Nxg6+ fxg6 25.Rhf1+ Kg8 26.Bc1 Rh2 27.Bd5+ e6 28.Bb3 d5 29.Rde1 Re2 30.Rf4 Qg2 0-1 (30) Exhausted10 (2847)-Elfugitivo (2728) Blitz 2022]

22...Qe4+ 23.Ka1 Qxe3 24.Nd2 Qd4 0-1 (24) Elektromagnit (2900)-Elfugitivo (2840) Blitz 2022

[50] Quintiliano,Renato: 'Most common with' **8.a4** b4 9.Na2

[9.Nd5 Quintiliano,Renato: 'the second most popular way to challenge the Accelerated Dragadorf. the second most popular way to challenge the Accelerated Dragadorf. the second most popular way to challenge the Accelerated Dragadorf.' Nxd5 10.exd5 Bb7 11.Bc4 *(11.Qd2 Bxd5 12.Qxb4 Bg7 13.c4 Nc6 14.Qd2 e5 15.cxd5 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 exd4 17.Bd3*

0-0 18.0-0 Re8 19.a5 Re3 20.b4 Qh4 21.Rac1 Bh6 22.Qc2 Bf4 23.g3 Bxg3 24.hxg3 Qxg3+ 25.Qg2 Qxg2+ 26.Kxg2 Rxd3 27.Rc6 Rb3 28.Rb6 d3 29.Rd1 h5 30.Rxd6 Rxb4 31.Rxd3 Ra4 32.Rc6 Kf8 33.d6 Ke8 34.d7+ Kd8 35.Rxa6 Rxa6 0-1 (35) Dynamikus (2817)-Emperorbundaloy (2642) Blitz 2022*)* 11...Qc7 12.b3 Bg7 13.0-0 Nd7 14.a5 Ne5 15.Be2 0-0 16.f4 Nd7 17.Bf3 Nf6 18.Nc6 Rac8 19.Bb6 Qd7 20.Nxb4 Qb5 21.Ra4 Rc3 22.Nc6 Nxd5 23.Nxe7+ Nxe7 24.Bxb7 d5 25.Re1 Nf5 26.Qxd5 Rxc2 27.Qxb5 axb5 28.Rae4 Nd6 29.Re7 Bc3 30.Rd1 Nf5 31.Red7 Re8 32.Rd8 Rxd8 33.Rxd8+ Kg7 34.a6 Bf6 35.Rc8 Ra2 36.a7 Nd6 37.a8Q Rxa8 38.Rxa8 Nxb7 39.Rb8 Nd6 40.Bc7 Bd4+ 41.Kf1 Ne4 42.Rxb5 1-0 (42) Chessboomer1957 (2857)-Loin Sn (2788) Blitz 2022]

9...e5 10.Nb3 d5 11.Bg5 Bb7

[11...d4 12.Qd2 h6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.Nxb4 Be6 15.Bd3 Bd6 16.0-0 0-0 17.Kh1 g5 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Nd7 20.c3 Rab8 21.Na5 dxc3 22.bxc3 Nc5 23.Bc2 Qf4 24.Qxf4 gxf4 25.Rab1 f5 26.Nc4 Rxb1 27.Rxb1 Bb8 28.Bxf5 Nxa4 29.d6 Nxc3 30.Rb7 Rd8 31.Bh7+ Kf8 32.Nxe5 Bxd6 33.Ng6+ Ke8 34.h4 Rd7 35.Rb8+ Bxb8 0-1 (35) Exhausted10 (2845)-Rfelgaer (2718) Blitz 2022]

12.exd5 Nbd7 13.a5 Bxd5 14.Qxd5 Nxd5 15.Bxd8 Kxd8 16.0-0-0 Ne3 17.Rd3 Nxf1 18.Rxf1 Kc7 19.Rfd1 Nf6 20.c3 Rb8 21.cxb4 Bxb4 22.Nxb4 Rxb4 23.Nc5 Rc4+ 24.Rc3 Rxc3+ 25.bxc3 Rc8 26.Kc2 Kc6 27.Nxa6 Kb5 28.Rd6 Nh5 29.Nb4 Kxa5 30.Rd5+ Ka4 31.Rxe5 Nf4 32.g3 Ne6 33.Kd3 Kb3 34.Nd5 Nc5+ 35.Ke3 Kc4 36.Nb6+ 1-0 (36) Elconceto (2903)-xamax2000 (2850) Blitz 2022

8.g4 Bb7 9.g5 Nfd7 10.a4 b4 11.Nd5 e6 12.Nxb4 d5 13.c3 dxe4 14.f4 Qc7 15.Bg2 h6 16.h4 hxg5 17.hxg5 Rxh1+ 18.Bxh1 Nc5 19.a5 Nbd7 20.Qg4 0-0-0 21.Bg2 Nd3+ 22.Nxd3 exd3 23.0-0-0 Qxa5 24.Bxb7+ Kxb7 25.Qg2+ Qd5 26.Qxd5+ exd5 27.Rxd3 Nc5 28.Rd1 Ne6 29.f5 gxf5 30.Nxf5 Bc5 31.Bxc5 Nxc5 32.c4 d4 33.Kc2 d3+ 34.Kc3 Ne4+ 35.Kb4 Nxg5 36.c5 Ne4 37.Kc4 d2 38.Nd4 f5 39.b4 f4 40.Ne6 Rd7 41.Nxf4 Nf2 0-1 (41) Charles Ingalls (2865)-Gingergm (2699) Blitz 2021

8.h4 h5 9.Qd2 Bb7 10.a4 b4 11.Na2 e5 12.Nb3 d5 13.Nxb4 dxe4 14.Qxd8+ Kxd8 15.Nc5 Bxc5 16.Bxc5 exf3 17.gxf3 Bxf3 18.Rh3 Bg4 19.Rd3+ Nbd7 20.Bd6 Rc8 21.c3 a5 22.Nd5 Ne4 23.Ba3 Nec5 24.Re3 Re8 25.Bb5 Re6 26.b4 Rd6 27.bxc5 Rxd5 28.c6 Nc5 29.c4 Nd3+ 30.Kd2 1-0 (30) Elektromagnit (2831)-xamax2000 (2819) Blitz 2022

[51] **8...h5** 9.a4 bxa4

[9...b4 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 Bb7 12.Bc4 a5 13.Bb5+ Nd7 14.Nc6 Qc7 15.0-0 Bg7 16.Bd4 Bxc6 17.dxc6 Bxd4+ 18.Qxd4 Nf6 19.f4 0-0 20.Kh1 Kg7 21.f5 e5 22.fxe6 fxe6 23.Rae1 Rae8 24.c3 e5 25.Qd2 bxc3 26.Qxc3 Nd5 27.Qd2 Nb4 28.Rxf8 Rxf8 29.Rd1 d5 30.Qe3 d4 31.Qg3 Rf6 32.Re1 Nxc6 33.Rc1 h4 34.Qxh4 Qf7 35.Qg3 Qd5 36.Bxc6 Rxc6 37.Rxc6 Qxc6 38.Qxe5+ Kf7 39.Qxd4 Qc1+ 40.Qg1 Qxb2 41.h3 Qb4 42.Qd1 g5

43.Qd5+ Kf6 44.Qd1 Ke5 45.Kh2 Kf6 46.Qg4 Qxg4 47.hxg4 Ke5 48.Kg3 Ke4 49.Kf2 Kf4 50.g3+ Kxg4 51.Kg2 Kf5 52.Kf3 g4+ 53.Ke3 Ke5 54.Kd3 Kd5 55.Ke3 Kc4 56.Kf4 Kb4 57.Kxg4 Kxa4 58.Kf3 Kb3 59.g4 a4 60.g5 a3 61.g6 a2 62.g7 a1Q 63.g8Q+ Kb4 64.Qb8+ Kc5 65.Qc7+ Kd5 66.Qd7+ Kc5 67.Qe7+ Kd5 68.Qe4+ Kc5 69.Qe7+ Kd5 70.Qb7+ Kc5 71.Qc8+ Kb4 72.Qf8+ Kb3 73.Qf7+ Kb2 74.Qf6+ Kb1 75.Qf5+ Kb2 76.Qe5+ Kb1 77.Qe4+ Kb2 78.Qd4+ Kb1 79.Qd3+ Kb2 80.Qd2+ Kb1 81.Qb4+ Qb2 82.Qe1+ Ka2 83.Qa5+ Qa3+ 84.Qxa3+ Kxa3 ½-½ (84) Anya6 (2873)-Loin Sn (2784) Blitz 2022]

10.Rxa4 Bg7 11.Be2 0-0 12.0-0 Nbd7 13.Rfa1 Nc5 14.Ra5 Ne6 15.Nxe6 Bxe6 16.Rxa6 Rxa6 17.Rxa6 Qc7 18.Ra7 Qb8 19.b3 Rc8 20.Nb5 Bd7 21.c4 d5 22.exd5 Bxb5 23.cxb5 h4 24.b6 h3 25.b7 Rf8 26.gxh3 Bh6 27.Qd4 Bxe3+ 28.Qxe3 Nxd5 29.Qc5 Nf4 30.Bc4 Nxh3+ 31.Kg2 Nf4+ 32.Kf1 Nh3 33.Kg2 Nf4+ 34.Kh1 Rd8 35.Ra8 Qxb7 36.Rxd8+ Kh7 37.Qe3 e5 38.Kg1 Qe7 39.Rd2 Qg5+ 40.Kh1 Qf5 41.Bd3 Qe6 42.Be4 Qh3 43.Qf2 Kg7 44.Rd1 Qe6 45.Rg1 Qxb3 46.Qg3 Qe3 47.Qg5 Qd4 0-1 (47) Daro94 (2874)-Loin Sn (2789) Blitz 2022

52 **9.a4** Quintiliano,Renato: 'and White's attempts to expose Black's early queenside expansion as premature. and White's attempts to expose Black's early queenside expansion as premature. and White's attempts to expose Black's early queenside expansion as premature.' 9...b4 10.Na2 e5 11.Nb3 d5 12.Nxb4

[12.exd5 Nxd5 13.0-0-0 *(13.Bc5 Nd7 14.Bxf8 Kxf8 15.Nxb4 Qh4+ 16.g3 Qxb4 17.Qxb4+ Nxb4 18.0-0-0 Bxf3 19.Rxd7 Bxh1 20.Bc4 Kg7 21.Rxf7+ Kh6 22.c3 Bd5 23.Bxd5 Nxd5 24.Rf2 Rhf8 25.Re2 Rae8 26.Nd2 e4* 0-1 (26) Yarebore (2829)-Dschwarz (2644) Blitz 2021*)* 13...Nd7 14.Bg5 Qc7 15.Bd3 h6 16.Bh4 Bg7 17.Be4 N7b6 18.Nxb4 Ne7 19.Bxb7 Qxb7 20.Na5 Qc7 21.Bxe7 Qxe7 22.Nac6 Qc7 23.a5 Nc4 24.Qe2 Nxa5 25.Qe4 0-0 26.Kb1 Rfc8 27.Nxa5 Qxa5 28.c3 Qb5 29.Rd5 Qe8 30.Rhd1 a5 31.Nc2 Rab8 32.Rd7 Kh8 33.Qd5 1-0 (33) Charmgame (2846)-Emperorbundaloy (2702) Blitz 2021]

[12.Bc5 a5 13.Bb5+ Nbd7 14.c3 bxc3 15.Nxc3 d4 16.Ne2 Bxc5 17.Nxc5 Qb6 18.Nxb7 Qxb7 19.Qh6 Ke7 20.0-0 Qb6 21.Kh1 Rac8 22.f4 Qd6 23.Rad1 Rc2 24.fxe5 Nxe5 25.Nxd4 Neg4 26.Qh4 Rd8 27.Nf5+ gxf5 28.Rxd6 Rxd6 29.h3 Ne3 30.e5 Nxf1 31.exd6+ Ke6 32.Bxf1 Rc1 33.Kh2 Rxf1 34.Qc4+ Kxd6 35.Qxf1 Ke6 36.Qb5 Nd5 37.Qxa5 Ke5 38.Qb5 f4 39.a5 1-0 (39) Ice2Breaker (2817)-xamax2000 (2812) Blitz 2021]

12...dxe4 13.Qxd8+ Kxd8 14.Nc5

[14.0-0-0+ Nbd7 15.c3 *(15.Bc5 exf3 16.gxf3 Bxf3 17.Bxf8 Rxf8 18.Bxa6 Bxh1 19.Rxh1 Kc7 20.Bb5 Nb6 21.a5 Nbd5 22.Na6+ Kb7 23.c4 Nf4 24.Nbc5+ Ka7 25.Nb4 Ne2+ 26.Kb1 Nd4 27.Rf1 Rac8 28.Na4 Ne4 29.Ka2 f5 30.Nb6 Rc7 31.N4d5 Rb7 32.b4 f4 33.Re1 Nd6*

34.Rxe5 f3 35.Ne3 f2 36.Rd5 N4xb5 37.cxb5 Ne4 38.Nf1 Nc3+ 39.Kb3 Nxd5 40.Nxd5 Rd7 41.Kc4 Rxd5 42.Kxd5 Rd8+ 43.Kc6 Rc8+ 44.Kd7 Rc1 45.b6+ Kb7 46.b5 Rxf1 0-1 (46) Dont Blunder (2831)-Emperorbundaloy (2661) Blitz 2021*)* 15...exf3 16.gxf3 Bxf3 17.Bh3 Ng4 18.Rxd7+ Kxd7 19.Rf1 f5 20.Rxf3 Nxe3 21.Rxe3 Bh6 22.Kd2 Rhb8 23.a5 Kd6 24.Bf1 e4 25.Nd4 Kc5 26.Ne6+ Kd6 27.Nd4 Kc5 28.Ne6+ Kd6 29.Nd4 ½-½ (29) Vladimirovich9000 (2850)-xamax2000 (2652) Blitz 2021]

14...Bxc5 15.Bxc5 exf3 16.Bc4 fxg2 17.0-0-0+ Kc8 18.Rhe1 Nbd7 19.Bg1 Rf8 20.Rd6 Ne8 21.Rd2 f5 22.Red1 Nef6 23.Be6 Rd8 24.Bb6 g1Q 25.Rxg1 Re8 26.Rd6 a5 27.Rgd1 Re7 28.Nd3 Kb8 29.Bd8 Re8 30.Bxd7 Rxd8 31.Nxe5 Ne4 32.R6d4 Ra6 33.Bb5 Rad6 34.Nd7+ Kc7 35.Rc4+ Bc6 36.Rxd6 Nxd6 37.Rxc6+ Kxd7 38.Ra6+ Ke6 39.Rxa5 f4 40.Bd3 f3 41.Kd2 Nc4+ 0-1 (41) Elconceto (2931)-Sina Iran (2866) Blitz 2022

9.Be2 h5

[9...Nbd7

A) 10.0-0 Bg7 *(10...b4 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Bxd5 13.Nb3 Bxb3 14.axb3 Bg7 15.Qxb4 Bxb2 16.Rxa6 Rxa6 17.Bxa6 0-0 18.Rd1 Qc7 19.Qc4 Nc5 20.Bb5 Rb8 21.b4 Ne6 22.Bc6 Nd8 23.b5 Nxc6 24.Qxc6 Qxc6 25.bxc6 Rc8 26.Rb1 Ba3 27.Rb3 Bc5 28.Bxc5 dxc5 29.Rb6 e6 30.Kf2 Kf8 31.Ke3 Ke7 32.Kd3 Kd6 33.Kc4 Rxc6 34.Rb7 Ra6 35.Rxf7 Ra4+ 36.Kc3 h6 37.Rf6 Rh4 38.Rxg6 Rxh2 39.Rg8 h5 40.Kc4 h4 41.Kd3 h3 42.gxh3 Rxh3 43.Ke4 Rh4+ 44.Ke3 Rh2 45.c4 Rc2 46.Rg4 Ke5 47.Re4+ Kf5 48.Rf4+ Ke5 49.Re4+ Kf5 50.Kd3 Rf2 51.Ke3 Rc2* ½-½ (51) Suffermenow (2830)-Wuzhaobing (2656) Blitz 2024*)* 11.a3 *(11.a4 b4 12.Na2 a5 13.c3 bxc3 14.Nxc3 0-0 15.Ndb5 Qb8 16.Rac1 Rc8 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Nf6 19.Bc4 Rxc4 20.Rxc4 Nxd5 21.Bd4 e5 22.Bf2 Ra6 23.Rfc1 Nf4 24.Rc7 Bh6 25.Be3 d5 26.g3 d4 27.Bxf4 exf4 28.Qxd4 fxg3 29.Qd7 gxh2+ 30.Kg2 h1Q+ 31.Rxh1 Rf6 32.Rxh6 Bxf3+ 33.Kg1 Qb6+ 34.Qd4 Qe6 35.Rc1 Qe2 36.Rh2 Qe6 37.Rf2 Rf5 38.Qd8+ Kg7 39.Qd4+ Kg8 40.Qh4 Qe5 41.Rc8+ Kg7 42.Qd4 Rg5+ 43.Kf1 Qxd4 44.Nxd4* 1-0 (44) Kelevra317 (2849)-Dschwarz (2692) Blitz 2021*)* 11...0-0 12.Bh6 e5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Nb3 Nb6 15.Rad1 d5 16.exd5 Nbxd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.Qa5 Qf6 19.Nc5 Nf4 20.Rfe1 Bc6 21.Qc7 Rad8 22.Bf1 Rxd1 23.Rxd1 Nd5 24.Rxd5 Bxd5 25.Nd7 Qg5 26.Qc5 Rd8 27.Qxd5 Qe3+ 28.Kh1 Qe1 29.Qxe5+ Qxe5 30.Nxe5 Rd2 31.Kg1 Rxc2 32.Nd3 Kf6 33.Nb4 Rxb2 34.Nxa6 Ke5 35.Nc7 b4 36.axb4 Rxb4 37.Nb5 Rb2 38.Nc3 Kf4 39.Ne2+ Ke3 40.Nc3 f5 41.Nd1+ 1-0 (41) Satranc Youtube (2858)-Emperorbundaloy (2706) Blitz 2021;

B) 10.0-0-0 h5 11.Rhe1 Bg7 12.Bg5 Rc8 13.Kb1 0-0 *(13...Rc5 14.h4 Nb6 15.Nb3 Rc7 16.e5 Nfd5 17.Bxb5+ axb5 18.Nxb5*

Bxe5 19.Nxc7+ Qxc7 20.f4 Bxb2 0-1 (20) Mothandtheflame (2813)-Econpower (2730) Blitz 2021*)* 14.Bd3 e5 15.Nb3 b4 16.Ne2 a5 17.Bb5 Bc6 18.Bxc6 Rxc6 19.c3 a4 20.Nbc1 a3 21.cxb4 Nb6 22.b3 Na8 23.Nc3 Nc7 24.b5 Rxc3 25.Qxc3 Nxb5 26.Qd3 Qa5 27.Ne2 d5 28.exd5 e4 29.fxe4 Nd7 30.Bd2 Qa6 31.Nc3 Rb8 32.Nxb5 Rxb5 33.Bc3 Nc5 34.Qc2 Nxb3 35.axb3 Rc5 36.Re3 1-0 (36) Yarebore (2852)-xamax2000 (2663) Blitz 2021;

C) 10.a3 Rc8 11.0-0 Bg7 12.Kh1 0-0 13.Rad1 Ne5 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Rxc3 16.bxc3 Qc7 17.a4 bxa4 18.Ra1 d5 19.Rxa4 dxe4 20.Bxa6 Bxa6 21.Rxa6 Qxc3 22.Rd1 exf3 23.Qd2 fxg2+ 24.Kxg2 Qc4 25.Ra3 Rd8 26.Re3 Nfg4 27.Rg3 f5 28.h3 Rxd4 29.Qxd4 Qe2+ 30.Kg1 Qh2+ 31.Kf1 Qxg3 32.hxg4 Nxg4 33.Rd3 Qh2 34.c4 f4 35.c5 Qc2 36.Rc3 Qb1+ 37.Ke2 Ne3 38.Rxe3 fxe3 39.Qc4+ Kg7 40.c6 Qb2+ 41.Kxe3 Qe5+ 42.Kd3 Qc7 43.Qd4+ Kf7 44.Qd7 Qg3+ 45.Kc4 1-0 (45) Soundofsiience (2884)-Rfelgaer (2713) Blitz 2022]

10.0-0 Bg7 11.Kh1 Nbd7 12.Rae1 h4 13.Bd3 Rc8 14.a4 b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 h3 17.g3 a5 18.Bxg6 Bxd5 19.Nf5 Nf6 20.Nxg7+ Kf8 21.Bh6 Kg8 22.Bd3 Rc5 23.Nf5 1-0 (23) Slimfritz (2908)-Loin Sn (2789) Blitz 2022

[53] **10.h4** h5 11.Bg5 Rc8 12.a4 b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Qb6 15.Nb3 Bg7 16.Re1 Nf6 17.a5 Qc7 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Kb1 0-0 20.g4 Bxd5 21.Bxa6 Bxb3 22.Bxc8 Bc4 23.g5 Qxa5 24.Qf4 Qa2+ 0-1 (24) Abik02 (2878)-Loin Sn (2806) Blitz 2022

10.Bh6 Bxh6 11.Qxh6 Rc8 12.Kb1 Rxc3 13.bxc3 Qc7 14.h4 Qxc3 15.Nb3 Ne5 16.Qd2 Qc7 17.Qa5 Qc8 18.Be2 h5 19.Qd2 0-0 20.Rdg1 Qc7 21.g4 Rc8 22.gxh5 Nxh5 23.Bd1 Nc4 24.Qg5 Na3+ 25.Kb2 Qc3+ 26.Kxa3 Rc4 0-1 (26) Yarebore (2846)-Meysonn (2649) Blitz 2021

[54] **10...h5** 11.Bg5

[11.h3 Bg7 *(11...Rc8 12.Bd3 h4 13.Rhe1 Bg7 14.Bg5 Rc5 15.f4 Nh7 16.e5 Nxg5 17.exd6 e6 18.Bxg6 Qf6 19.Nb3 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Qxg6 21.fxg5 0-0 22.Nd4 Rc8 23.Qf4 Rxc3 24.Qxh4 Rc4 25.Qf2 Be4 26.Re2 a5 27.a3 b4 28.a4 b3 29.Nxb3 Rxa4 30.Qa7 Bc6 31.Qc7 Rc4 32.Qxa5 Be4 33.Rdd2 Bc3 34.Qd8+ Kh7 35.Qxd7 Bxd2 36.Rxd2 Bxc2+ 37.Kb2 Qg7+ 38.Nd4 Bg6 39.Qa7 e5 40.Nb3 e4+ 41.Rd4 e3 42.d7 e2 43.d8Q e1Q 44.Qf6 Rc2+ 45.Ka3 Qf8+* 0-1 (45) Yuquesada (2812)-Loin Sn (2764) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Be2 *(12.Bd3 b4 13.Na4 Qa5 14.b3 d5 15.e5 Nxe5 16.Ne6 fxe6 17.Bb6 Qb5 18.Bxb5+ axb5 19.Bd4 bxa4 20.Bxe5 axb3 21.cxb3 0-0 22.Rhe1 Kf7 23.Qxb4 Bc6 24.Rc1 Rfc8 25.g4 Bh6 26.f4 hxg4 27.hxg4 Nxg4 28.Rh1 Nxe5 29.Rxh6 Nd3 30.Rh7+ Kg8 31.Qxe7* 1-0 (31) Vistagausta (2835)-Doruksarp17 (2648) Blitz 2023 *)*

A) 12...Rc8 13.a3 Ne5 14.g4 Qc7 15.Bg5 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Qxc4 17.Nb3 Nh7 18.Bh6 Bxc3 19.bxc3 Rg8 20.e5 d5 21.Kb2 e6 22.Rhe1 Qc7 23.f4 Nf8 24.f5

gxf5 25.gxf5 Rg3 26.Re3 Rxe3 27.Qxe3 exf5 28.Bxf8 Kxf8 29.Qh6+ Ke8 30.Rd3 d4 31.Nxd4 Qxe5 32.Re3 Be4 33.Qxh5 Kd7 34.Qxf7+ Kd6 35.Qg6+ Ke7 36.Nc6+ Rxc6 37.Qxc6 Qf4 38.Qc5+ Kf6 39.Qd4+ Kg5 40.Qg7+ Kh5 41.Rg3 Kh4 42.Rg1 Qd2 43.Qh7+ 1-0 (43) Realmadrid2007 (2876)-Chesselation94 (2730) Blitz 2025;

B) 12...b4 13.Na4 Qa5 14.b3 d5 15.exd5 *(15.a3 dxe4 16.axb4 Qc7 17.Qc3 Rc8 18.Qxc7 Rxc7 19.c4 0-0 20.f4 e5 21.Nc2 Re8 22.Rhf1 Rcc8 23.f5 Bf8 24.fxg6 fxg6 25.g4 hxg4 26.hxg4 Bc6 27.g5 Nh5 28.b5 axb5 29.cxb5 Nf4 30.Bc4+ Kg7 31.bxc6* 1-0 (31) Chess Lover2020 (2820)-Doruksarp17 (2643) Blitz 2023*)* 15...Nxd5 16.Bc4 Nc3+ 17.Nxc3 bxc3 18.Qc1 Ne5 19.Be2 0-0-0 20.f4 Nc6 21.Nxc6 Bxc6 22.a3 Bxg2 23.Rhg1 Be4 24.Bc4 e6 25.b4 Qa4 26.Bb6 Rd2 27.Rxd2 cxd2 28.Qxd2 Qxa3 29.Bd4 Rd8 30.Bxa6+ Kb8 31.Be5+ Ka7 32.Qxd8 Qb3+ 33.Ka1 Qa3+ 34.Kb1 Qxb4+ 35.Kc1 Qa3+ 36.Kd1 Bf3+ 37.Ke1 Qe3+ 38.Kf1 Bxe5 39.fxe5 Kxa6 40.Qd3+ Qxd3+ 41.cxd3 Bd5 42.Kf2 Kb5 43.Ke3 Kc5 44.Rc1+ Kb6 45.d4 Bc6 46.Rc3 Kc7 47.Rc1 Kd7 48.Rb1 f6 49.Rc1 fxe5 50.Rd1 Ke7 51.dxe5 Bd5 52.Re1 g5 53.Kd4 g4 54.Kc5 g3 55.Rf1 g2 56.Rf7+ Kxf7 57.Kb6 Kg6 58.Kc7 Kg5 59.Kd8 Kh4 60.Kd7 Kxh3 61.Kd8 Kh2 62.Kd7 1-0 (62) Bryce Loski (2847)-Doruksarp17 (2664) Blitz 2023;

C) 12...h4 13.Bg5 Rc8 14.Rhe1 Nb6 *(14...b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Nf6 17.Qxb4 Bxd5 18.Bxa6 0-0 19.Bxc8 Qxc8 20.Rxe7 Qa6 21.Nb3 Ra8 22.a3 Be6 23.Qxd6 Qe2 24.Qd2 Qc4 25.Qd4 Qe2 26.Nc1 Qa6 27.Rxe6 Qxe6 28.Qd6 Qf5 29.Bxf6 Bxf6 30.Nd3 Rc8 31.Re1 Kg7 32.Re4 Qg5 33.Qd7 Rd8 34.Qg4 Qd2 35.Rc4 Rb8 36.Rb4 Qd1+ 37.Ka2 Re8 38.Qc4 Re2 39.Rb7 Qxc2 40.Qxf7+ Kh6 41.Qf8+ Kg5 42.Rb5+ Be5 43.f4+ Kh5 44.Qh8#* 1-0 (44) Difficultteenager (2875)-xamax2000 (2829) Blitz 2022*)* 15.a3 Rc5 16.Nb3 Rc8 17.Qe3 Nfd7 18.Nd5 f6 19.Bf4 0-0 20.Qf2 g5 21.Be3 Nc4 22.Bxc4 bxc4 23.Nd4 Nc5 24.Nf5 e6 25.Nde7+ Kh7 26.Rxd6 1-0 (26) Difficultteenager (2885)-xamax2000 (2845) Blitz 2022]

11...Bg7 12.h4 Qc7

[12...Rc8 13.a3 *(13.Be2 b4 14.Na4 Qa5 15.b3 d5 16.e5 Nxe5 17.Qe3 Nc4 18.Bxc4 dxc4 19.Rhe1 Nd5 20.Qxe7+ Nxe7 21.Rxe7+ Kf8 22.Rxb7 Re8 23.Nc6 Qf5 24.bxc4 f6 25.Bc1 Qe6 26.Rdd7 Rh7 27.Nd4 Qxc4 28.Nb6 Qf1 29.Nd5 Bh6 30.Ne6+ Rxe6 31.Rb8+ Re8 32.Rxe8+ Kxe8 33.Nxf6+ Kf8 34.Nxh7+ Ke8 35.Nf6+ Kf8 36.Nh7+ Ke8 37.Nf6+ Kf8 38.Nh7+* ½-½ (38) Nozdrachev,V (2850)-Symbiote (2682) Blitz 2022*; 13.g3 Ne5 14.Bh3 Rc4 15.Rhf1 0-0 16.Bg2 b4 17.Nce2 Qb6 18.Nc1 Rfc8 19.Be3 Qc7 20.Rf2 a5 21.Bf1 d5 22.Bxc4 Nxc4 23.Qe2 dxe4 24.Bf4 e5 25.Nb5 Qc5 26.b3 exf3 27.Qxc4 Qxf2 28.Nc7 exf4 29.Qxf4*

Be4 0-1 (29) Lovenewuniverse (2821)-Mlchael (2930) Blitz 2022) 13...Ne5 14.f4 *(14.Bd3 0-0 15.Nde2 Qb6 16.Be3 Qc7 17.Bh6 Qc5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nf4 e6 20.Be2 Rfd8 21.Nd3 Nxd3 22.cxd3 Qd4 23.g4 b4 24.axb4 Qxb4 25.gxh5 Nxh5 26.Rhg1 d5 27.d4 dxe4 28.fxe4 Rxc3 29.Qxc3 Bxe4+ 30.Ka1 Qa4+ 31.Qa3 Qxa3+ 32.bxa3 Nf4 33.Bf1 f5 34.Kb2 Rb8+ 35.Kc1 Rb1+ 36.Kd2 Rb2+ 37.Kc3 Rc2+ 38.Kb3 a5 39.Ka4 Rc3 40.Ra1 Rc8 41.Kxa5 Nd5 42.h5 Ra8+ 43.Kb5 f4 44.hxg6 f3 45.Kc5 Kf6 46.g7 Ne7 47.a4 Rc8+ 48.Kb6 Nd5+ 49.Kb5 Rg8 50.a5 Ne7 51.a6 Nf5 52.a7 Ba8 53.Kc5 Nxg7 54.Bd3 Rc8+ 55.Kb6 Nf5 56.Bxf5 exf5 57.Rgf1 Rc6+ 58.Kb5 Rc3* 0-1 (58) Mothandtheflame (2850)-Loin Sn (2813) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.e5 dxe5 17.fxe5 Ne4 18.Nxe4 Bxe4 19.Ne6 Qxd2 20.Nxg7+ Kf8 21.Rxd2 Kxg7 22.Bxe7 Rhc8 23.Bf6+ Kh7 24.Rc1 a5 25.b3 Rc3 26.Kb2 a4 27.e6 R3c6 28.e7 Rxf6 29.Rd8 Re6 30.Rxc8 Rxe7 31.Re1 f5 32.g3 Rd7 33.Kc3 Kg7 34.bxa4 bxa4 35.Rc4 Ra7 36.Rb1 Bd5 37.Rd4 Rc7+ 38.Kd2 Be4 39.Rb2 Ra7 40.Rbb4 Rc7 41.Rbc4 Rb7 42.Rxa4 Rb1 43.Rd6 Rg1 44.Ra7+ Kh6 45.Rdd7 Rg2+ 46.Ke1 Rg1+ 47.Kf2 Rg2+ 48.Kf1 1-0 (48) Zhy627 (2877)-Mlchael (2898) Blitz 2021]

13.a3

[13.Bd3 Nb6 14.Rhe1 Nfd7 15.Bf1 Ne5 16.b3 Rc8 17.Nce2 Qc5 18.Nf4 Qa3 19.c3 b4 20.cxb4 0-0 21.Rc1 Nc6 22.Nxc6 Rxc6 23.Rxc6 Bxc6 24.Bxe7 Rc8 25.Bxd6 Bc3 26.Qc1 Qxc1+ 27.Rxc1 Bd2 28.Rd1 Be3 29.Nd3 Bb5 30.Nc5 Nd7 31.Bxb5 Nxc5 32.Bxc5 axb5 33.Bxe3 1-0 (33) Molt7N (2835)-Cachs (2598) Blitz 2021]

13...Nb6 14.Be2 Nfd7 15.g4 hxg4 16.fxg4 Ne5 17.h5 Nbc4 18.Qe1 gxh5 19.Nf5 Bf8 20.Rxh5 Rg8 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 0-0-0 23.Rd4 Kb8 24.Bxc4 Nxc4 25.Bxe7 Re8 26.Re4 Ka8 27.Rh7 Ne5 28.Rxe5 dxe5 29.d6 Qb7 30.Rxf7 Rxg4 31.Rxf8 Rxf8 32.Bxf8 Rf4 33.Qxe5 Rf1+ 34.Ka2 Qf7+ 35.b3 Rxf5 36.Qe4+ Ka7 37.Be7 Rd5 38.Bf6 Kb7 39.Bb2 Kc8 40.Qg4+ Qd7 41.Qg8+ 1-0 (41) Sumsar42 (2902)-Emperorbundaloy (2697) Blitz 2021

[55] **11...Bg7** 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Rxc3 14.bxc3 Qc7 15.h4 Nb6 16.Qe3 Na4 17.Rd3 h5 18.g5 Nd7 19.Ne2 Ne5 20.Rd4 Nc4 21.Qc1 Qc5 22.Rd3 Ne5 23.Re3 Nc4 24.Rd3 Ne5 25.Ka1 0-0 26.Re3 Nc4 27.Rd3 Ne5 28.Re3 Rc8 29.Rh3 Nc4 30.Rd3 Ne5 31.Rd1 Nxc3 32.Nxc3 Qxc3+ 33.Qb2 Qxc2 34.Qxc2 Rxc2 35.Kb1 Rf2 36.Rc1 Nxf3 37.Bd3 Nd2+ 38.Ka1 Nxe4 39.Re3 Nc5 40.Be2 e6 41.Rd1 Bd5 42.Kb2 Kg7 43.Kc3 Rf4 44.a3 Rxh4 45.Rf1 Ne4+ 46.Kb2 Nxg5 47.Bd3 Rh2+ 48.Kc3 f5 49.Kb4 Kf6 50.Ka5 Ra2 51.Bb1 Ra1 52.Kxa6 Be4 53.Ree1 Rxa3+ 54.Kxb5 Rb3+ 55.Kc4 Rxb1 56.Rxb1 Bxb1 57.Rxb1 h4 58.Kd3 h3 59.Ke3 e5 60.Kf2 f4 61.Kg1 Kf5 62.Kh2 d5 63.Rb8 d4 64.Rf8+ Ke4 65.Rg8 Nf3+ 66.Kh1 d3 67.Re8 d2 68.Rd8 Ke3 69.Rd3+ Ke2 70.Re3+ Kf2 71.Re2+ Kg3 72.Rxd2 Nxd2 73.Kg1 Ne4 74.Kh1 0-1 (74) Alexsur81 (2829)-Alexander Utnasunov (2572) Blitz 2021

[56] **14.bxc3** Na4 15.Rd3 Qc7 16.Ka1 Nxc3 17.h4 Qa5 18.Kb2 b4 19.Rxc3 bxc3+ 20.Ka1 Qa3 21.Bb5+ axb5 22.Rb1 b4 23.h5 Kd7 24.Qg5 Ra8 25.Qb5+ Kd8 26.Qc4 d5 0-1 (26) Jepetto (3053)-xamax2000 (2831) Blitz 2022

[57] **7.Be2** h5 8.f3 Bg7 9.Qd2 0-0
[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Bh6 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Qxe3 Qa5 13.0-0-0 Be6 14.Kb1 a6 15.h3 0-0 16.g4 Rfc8 17.gxh5 Nxh5 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.Rxd5 Qc7 20.Rxh5 Qxc2+ 21.Ka1 gxh5 22.Qh6 Qc5 23.Bc4 e6 24.f4 Qd4 25.Bb3 Rc5 26.f5 Qg7 27.Qe3 Kf8 28.fxe6 fxe6 29.Bxe6 Ke7 30.Bd5 Rac8 31.a3 Rc2 32.Qb3 b5 33.Rf1 Rc1+ 34.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 35.Ka2 Qf6 36.Qe3 Rc5 37.Qg3 Kd8 38.Qg8+ Kc7 39.Qa8 Rc2 40.Qb7+ Kd8 41.Qb8+ Ke7 42.Qa7+ Kf8 43.Qb8+ Kg7 44.Qg8+ Kh6 0-1 (44) Saxkaigoal (2855)-Siyay (2791) Blitz 2025]
[9...Bd7 10.0-0 Rc8 11.h3 h4 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.a4 Ng3 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.a5 Qc7 16.Bd4 Bxd4+ 17.Qxd4 0-0 18.e5 Nf5 19.exd6 exd6 20.Qf2 d5 21.b3 Qe5 22.Na4 c5 23.Ba6 Bxa4 24.Bxc8 Rxc8 25.Rxa4 d4 26.Re1 Qd5 27.Raa1 c4 28.bxc4 Rxc4 29.Re2 Ne3 30.a6 g5 31.Ra3 Nf5 32.Rd3 Qc6 33.Red2 Qxa6 34.Qe1 Qc6 35.Qe5 Rc5 36.Qb8+ Kh7 37.Qb3 Rc4 38.Re2 a5 39.Re5 a4 40.Qb8 Qf6 41.Re2 Ne3 42.Qe8 Rxc2 43.Rdxe3 Rc1+ 44.Re1 dxe3 45.Rxc1 Qd4 46.Re1 e2+ 47.Kh1 Qf6 48.Qxe2 Kg7 49.Rb1 a3 50.Qb2 axb2 51.Kg1 Qc3 52.Rf1 Qc1 53.Kf2 b1Q 54.Rxc1 Qxc1 55.g3 Qc2+ 56.Ke3 Qc3+ 57.Ke4 Qc4+ 58.Kf5 Qc5+ 59.Kg4 Qc6 60.f4 Qd6 61.Kf3 Qe6 62.g4 Qf5 63.Kf2 Qxf4+ 64.Kg2 Qxg4+ 65.Kh2 Qxh3+ 66.Kxh3 g4+ 67.Kh2 f6 68.Kg2 ½-½ (68) Bettercollsoul (2814)-Damjangari1232132325 (2673) Blitz 2024]
10.0-0-0 d5 11.Qe1 e5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bg5 d4 14.Na4 Rb8 15.g4 hxg4 16.fxg4 Qd6 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.h4 Be6 19.g5 Bg7 20.h5 gxh5 21.Qh4 Qb4 22.Qxh5 Rfc8 23.b3 Qa3+ 24.Kd2 Qb4+ 25.Kc1 Qa3+ 26.Kd2 Qb4+ 27.Kc1 c5 28.g6 c4 29.gxf7+ Bxf7 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Rdf1 Rc6 32.Rxf7+ Kxf7 33.Bh5+ Kf8 34.Rf1+ Ke7 35.Qxg7+ Kd6 36.Rf6# 1-0 (36) Kelevra317 (2918)-Zoubkovavila (2671) Blitz 2023
7.Bc4 Bg7 8.f3 Bd7 9.Bb3 Na5 10.Qd2 h5 11.0-0-0
[11.h3 h4 12.0-0-0 Rb8 13.Kb1 b5 14.f4 b4 15.Nd5 Nxe4 16.Qe1 f5 17.Nxb4 Nxb3 18.cxb3 Qa5 19.Ndc2 Rc8 20.Bd4 e5 21.fxe5 dxe5 22.Be3 Be6 23.Rf1 Ng3 24.Rf2 e4 25.Bd4 0-0 26.Rfd2 f4 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Rd6 Bf5 29.Nd4 e3+ 30.Ka1 e2 31.Nxe2 Nxe2 32.Qxe2 Qxb4 33.Qe5+ Kh6 34.Qe7 Rf7 35.Rxg6+ Bxg6 36.Qxb4 Rc2 37.Rg1 Rf5 38.Qe7 Kh5 39.Qe4 Rf2 40.Qe1 1-0 (40) Mrdalica (2828)-Winx,M (2945) Blitz 2025]
[11.h4 Rc8 12.0-0-0 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.Kb1 Qa5 15.Nb3 Qa6 16.Bd4 Be6 17.f4 b5 18.f5 gxf5 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Rhf1 Bg6 21.Rde1 0-0 22.Rxe7 b4 23.Bxf6 bxc3 24.bxc3 Rxc3 25.Bxc3 Qxf1+ 26.Re1 Bxc3 27.Qxc3 Qxg2 28.Rd1 Qg4 29.Rd4 Qe6 30.Rc4 a5 31.a4

Rb8 32.Ka1 Qd5 33.Rd4 Qg2 34.Rc4 Qxc2 35.Qxc2 Bxc2 36.Nxa5 Bf5 37.Nc6 Rb1+ 38.Ka2 Rb7 39.Ka3 Be6 40.Rc3 Rb1 41.a5 f5 42.Nd4 Kf7 43.Nc2 f4 44.Rf3 Ke7 45.Rxf4 Rb5 46.a6 Rb3+ 47.Ka4 Rb2 48.Nb4 Bd7+ 49.Ka5 Rb3 50.Kb6 Ra3 51.a7 Be6 52.Na6 Bd5 53.Rd4 Bh1 54.Rd1 Rb3+ 55.Ka5 Bc6 56.Nb4 1-0 (56) Khalilmousavii (2826)-N,N (2705) Blitz 2023]

11...Nxb3+

[11...a6 12.h3 b5 13.g4 Nxb3+ 14.axb3 b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 a5 17.Nc6 Qc7 18.Bd4 Bxc6 19.Bxg7 Rg8 20.dxc6 Rxg7 21.Qh6 Rg8 22.gxh5 Qxc6 23.Rhe1 a4 24.Qh7 axb3 25.c3 bxc3 26.Re2 Ra1# 0-1 (26) Mcanonim (2839)-Hororr (2563) Blitz 2025]

12.cxb3 a5

[12...Qb8 13.Kb1 b5 14.b4 a5 15.Nc2 0-0 16.Bd4 Be6 17.a3 Rc8 18.bxa5 Rc4 19.Rhe1 b4 20.axb4 Rxb4 21.Nxb4 Qxb4 22.Bxf6 Qxa5 23.Bxg7 Bb3 24.Kc1 Kxg7 25.Qd3 Qg5+ 26.Rd2 Ra1+ 27.Nb1 Ba2 28.Kc2 f6 29.Rc1 h4 30.Na3 Qc5+ 31.Qc3 Bb3+ 32.Kxb3 1-0 (32) Gmmoranda (2816)-Ikica77 (2763) Blitz 2022]

13.a4

[13.Kb1 a4 14.bxa4 Bxa4 15.Nxa4 Rxa4 16.Qc2 Qa8 17.b3 Ra5 18.Rc1 0-0 19.Rhd1 Nd7 20.Rd2 Rc5 21.Qd1 Rfc8 22.Rxc5 Nxc5 23.Rc2 Be5 24.f4 Bg7 25.f5 b6 26.fxg6 fxg6 27.b4 Nxe4 28.Rxc8+ Qxc8 29.Qb3+ Kh7 30.Qe6 Nc3+ 31.Kc2 Qxe6 32.Nxe6 Nd5 33.Bd2 Be5 34.a4 Kg8 35.a5 bxa5 36.bxa5 Kf7 37.Ng5+ Ke8 38.Nf3 Bf6 39.a6 Nc7 40.a7 Kd7 41.Kd3 Kc6 42.Be3 Kb7 43.h4 e5 44.Ng5 d5 45.Bc5 Bxg5 46.hxg5 Nb5 47.Be7 Nxa7 48.Bf6 Nc6 0-1 (48) Vistagausta (2863)-Mo Fanxue (2750) Blitz 2023]

13...0-0 14.Bh6 Qb6 15.Ndb5 Bxb5 16.Nxb5 Rac8+ 17.Kb1 Rc5 18.Be3 Nd7 19.Ka2 Rfc8 20.Bxc5 Nxc5 21.Rc1 Rc6 22.Qf2 Qd8 23.Qd2 Qb6 24.Rc4 Na6 25.Rhc1 Nb4+ 26.Kb1 Be5 27.g3 Qd8 28.Nd4 Rc5 29.Ne6 fxe6 30.Rxc5 Kg7 31.Rc8 Qb6 32.Rh8 Kxh8 33.Qh6+ Kg8 34.Rc8+ Kf7 35.Rf8# 1-0 (35) Axaxax12 (2884)-Golden Ring (2598) Blitz 2024

[58] **7...e5** 8.Nb3

[8.Ndb5 a6 9.Na3 b5 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 Ne7 12.c4 Nf5 13.Bf2 Bh6 14.cxb5 Qa5+ 15.Ke2 axb5 16.Be1 Qb6 17.Bf2 Be3 18.Qe1 b4 19.Nc4 Ba6 20.b3 Bxc4+ 21.bxc4 Qd4 22.Bxe3 Qxe3+ 23.Kd1 Qd4+ 24.Ke2 Qxc4+ 25.Kf2 Qd4+ 26.Ke2 Ra3 0-1 (26) Mrdalica (2830)-Pitouro (2812) Blitz 2023]

8...Be6 9.Nd5

[9.Qd2 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nxd5 Qxd5 12.Qxd5 *(12.0-0-0 Qxd2+ 13.Rxd2 Rc8 14.Kb1 Bb4 15.c3 Be7 16.Nc5 Bf5+ 17.Ka1 b6 18.Ne4 0-0 19.Bb5 Rfd8 20.Rhd1 Rxd2 21.Rxd2 Rc7 22.g4 Be6 23.Ng5 Nd8 24.h3 Kg7 25.Kb1 h6 26.Nxe6+ Nxe6 27.Bd7 Nc5 28.Bb5 Bg5 29.Bxg5 hxg5 30.Bc4 Kf6 31.Bd5 Rc8 32.Kc2 Ke7 33.b4 Na4 34.Rd3 b5 35.Kb3 Nb6 36.Be4 Rh8 37.Bc6 a6 38.Bb7 Rxh3 39.Bxa6 f5 40.gxf5 gxf5 41.Bxb5 e4 42.fxe4 Rxd3 43.Bxd3 f4 44.Be2 Kd6 45.a4 Ke5 46.a5 Nd7 47.a6 Nb6 48.c4 Kxe4 49.c5 Nc8 50.Bg4 Na7 51.Kc4 f3 52.b5 f2 53.Bh3 Kf3*

54.b6 Nc6 55.a7 g4 56.Bf1 Ne5+ 57.Kb5 g3 58.a8Q+ Ke3 59.Qg2 Ng6 60.Qxg3+ Kd4 61.Qxg6 Ke3 62.Qd6 Kf3 63.b7 Kg4 64.b8Q Kf3 65.Qbf8+ Ke4 66.Qe6+ Kd4 67.Qfd6+ Kc3 68.Qe3+ Kb2 69.Qdd2+ Ka1 70.Qa3+ Kb1 71.Qab2# 1-0 (71) Anya6 (2810)-Pitouro (2751) Blitz 2023*)* 12...Bxd5 13.0-0-0 0-0-0 14.Bg5 Be7 15.Bxe7 Nxe7 16.Bd3 Nc6 17.Rhe1 Kc7 18.Kb1 f6 19.Nd2 a6 20.a3 f5 21.b3 Rhe8 22.Kb2 b5 23.Re3 Kb6 24.Rde1 Bf7 25.Nb1 Rd6 26.Nc3 Rc8 27.g4 f4 28.Rxe5 Nxe5 29.Rxe5 Re8 30.Rxe8 Bxe8 31.Ne4 Re6 32.Kc3 Bc6 33.g5 Bxe4 34.Bxe4 Kc5 35.b4+ Kd6 36.Kd4 Re7 37.c4 bxc4 38.Kxc4 Rc7+ 39.Kb3 Re7 40.Kc4 Kc7 41.h4 Kb6 42.a4 a5 43.bxa5+ Kxa5 44.Bc6 Re1 45.Kd4 Rh1 46.Ke5 Rxh4 47.Bb5 Kb6 48.Be8 Kc5 49.Bb5 Rh3 50.Kxf4 Kd4 51.a5 Rh1 52.a6 Ra1 53.Kg4 Ra5 54.Bf1 Ra4 55.Kf4 Kd5+ 56.Ke3 Ke5 57.Bd3 Ra3 58.f4+ Kd5 59.Kd2 Kd4 60.Be2 Ra2+ 61.Kd1 Ke3 62.Bc4 Ra4 63.Bb5 Ra5 64.Bc4 Kxf4 65.Kc2 Kxg5 66.Kb3 h5 67.Kb4 Ra1 68.Bb5 Rxa6 69.Bxa6 Kf4 70.Kc3 g5 71.Kd2 Kf3 72.Be2+ Kf2 73.Bxh5 g4 74.Bxg4 ½-½ (74) Jurgensanchez97 (2834)-Pitouro (2765) Blitz 2023]

9...Bxd5 10.exd5 Ne7 11.Bb5+ Nd7 12.Qd2 a6 13.Be2 Nf5 14.Bf2 h5 15.0-0 Bh6 16.Qb4 Qc7 17.Na5 Ne3 18.Rfc1 Nxd5 19.Qxb7 Qxb7 20.Nxb7 Bxc1 21.Rxc1 Ke7 22.Rd1 Rhb8 23.Na5 Nf4 24.Nc6+ Ke6 25.Bc4+ d5 26.Bb3 Rb5 27.c4 Rxb3 28.cxd5+ Nxd5 29.axb3 Rc8 30.Rxd5 Rxc6 31.Rd1 Nf6 32.Re1 Nd5 33.Bg3 f6 34.f4 Rb6 35.fxe5 f5 36.Ra1 f4 37.Bf2 Rxb3 38.Bd4 Nb4 39.Bc3 g5 40.Ra4 Nd5 41.Rxa6+ Kf5 42.e6 Nxc3 43.bxc3 Rxc3 44.Ra5+ Kf6 45.h4 g4 46.Rxh5 Rc1+ 47.Kf2 Rc2+ 48.Kf1 Kxe6 49.Rg5 g3 50.h5 Rf2+ 51.Kg1 Ra2 52.Kf1 Kf6 53.Rg8 Rf2+ 54.Kg1 Rb2 55.Kf1 Rf2+ 56.Kg1 Rb2 57.Kf1 Rf2+ ½-½ (57) Brittabagels (2873)-Pitouro (2735) Blitz 2023

[59] **8.Bb5** Bd7 9.0-0 Bg7 10.Qd2 a6 11.Be2 Rc8 12.Rac1 Qc7 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 16.Qxd4 Qc5 17.Qxc5 Rxc5 18.c4 a5 19.b3 e6 20.dxe6 Bxe6 21.a3 Ke7 22.b4 axb4 23.axb4 Rc7 24.Rc3 Ra8 25.Rfc1 Ra2 26.Bf1 Rb2 27.c5 d5 28.b5 d4 29.Ra3 Bf5 30.b6 Rc6 31.Ra7 Rbxb6 32.Re1+ Re6 33.cxb6 Rxe1 34.Rxb7+ Kf6 35.Kf2 Rb1 36.Rb8 Rb2+ 37.Kg3 d3 38.h4 d2 39.Be2 Bd3 40.Bd1 Ke7 41.b7 Ba6 42.Kf4 Bxb7 43.Ke3 Kf6 44.g4 hxg4 45.fxg4 Rb1 46.Kxd2 Be4 47.Rd8 Rb4 48.Ke3 Bc6 49.Rd6+ 1-0 (49) Ilqar (2857)-Satlan (2750) Blitz 2025

8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.Qd2 Qa5 10.Bc4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 Rb8 13.Rab1 Bg7 14.b4 Qc7 15.e5 dxe5 16.Na4 Nd7 17.Rfd1 Rd8 18.Qf2 0-0 19.c4 e4 20.f4 Ne5 21.Nc5 Nd3 22.Qg3 Nxc5 23.Bxc5 Kh7 24.Qe3 e5 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Qxe4 exf4 27.Qxe7 Rd7 28.Qe2 a6 29.h3 Bd4+ 30.Bxd4 Rxd4 31.Re1 Qf7 32.Rc1 Qf6 33.a3 Kh6 34.c5 a5 35.bxa5 Ra4 36.Qd3 Rxa5 37.Rc3 Qe5 38.Qc2 Ra8 39.Qc1 Rd8 40.Rf3 g5 41.h4 Rd4 42.hxg5+ Kxg5 43.Kh2 h4 44.Qc3 Kg4 45.a4 Qe4 46.a5 Ra4 47.Qg7+ Kf5 48.Qh7+ Ke5 49.Qxh4 Rxa5 50.Qg5+ Qf5

51.Rxf4 Qxg5 52.Rf3 Qg4 53.Rh3 Qf4+ 54.Rg3 Ra3 55.Kh3 Qxg3# 0-1 (55) Calculatebetter (2851)-Nadigraj (2685) Blitz 2024

8.h3 a6 9.Bd3 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Bh6 11.Qe2 e5 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Qxe3 Be6 14.0-0-0 Rc8 15.f4 Qa5 16.Rhf1 Nd7 17.Be2 exf4 18.Rxf4 Rc6 19.a3 Qc5 20.Rd4 0-0 21.Qd2 Rfc8 22.Bd1 Qe5 23.g4 h4 24.Rf3 b5 25.Re3 Kg7 26.Kb1 Qg5 27.Re2 Qxd2 28.Rexd2 Ne5 29.Nd5 Rc4 30.Nf4 Rxd4 31.Rxd4 Rd8 32.Be2 Kh6 33.Nxe6 fxe6 34.a4 Kg5 35.axb5 axb5 36.Bxb5 Kf4 37.Bf1 Nf3 38.Rd3 e5 39.Kc1 Ra8 40.Ra3 Rb8 41.Bg2 Ne1 42.Bf1 Rc8 43.c4 Rb8 44.Be2 Ng2 45.g5 Kxg5 46.Bf1 Nf4 47.Ra6 Ne6 48.Rxd6 Nd4 49.c5 Nb3+ 50.Kc2 Nxc5 51.Rd5 Nxe4 52.Rxe5+ Kf4 53.Rd5 Rc8+ 54.Kd1 Kg3 55.Ke2 Rc1 56.Rd3+ Kf4 57.Rf3+ Ke5 58.Re3 Rc2+ 59.Ke1 Rxb2 60.Bd3 Rb4 61.Re2 Rd4 62.Bc2 Kf5 63.Rg2 Kf6 64.Rg4 Ng5 65.Rxd4 Nf3+ 66.Kf2 Nxd4 67.Bb1 Nc6 68.Kf3 Ne5+ 69.Ke4 Nf7 70.Bc2 g5 71.Bd1 Nd6+ 72.Kd5 Nf7 73.Ke4 Nh6 74.Kd4 Nf5+ 75.Ke4 Nh6 76.Ke3 Nf5+ 77.Ke4 Nh6 ½-½ (77) Expositor (2841)-Arasanx (3041) Rapid 2024

60 **9.Qxd4** Bh6

[9...Bg7 10.Qd2 *(10.Qb4 0-0 11.0-0-0 Qc7 12.Kb1 Be6 13.Nb5 Qb8 14.Qd2 Rc8 15.Nd4 Bd7 16.c3 b5 17.Bd3 a5 18.Nc2 Qb7 19.Rhe1 Be6 20.Bd4 Rab8 21.e5 dxe5 22.Bxe5 Ra8 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Rxe6 fxe6 25.Be4 Qb6 26.Qh6 b4 27.Nd4 bxc3 28.Qxg6+ Kf8 29.Qh6+ Ke8 30.Nb5 c2+ 31.Bxc2 Rxc2 32.Qxh5+ Kf8 33.Kxc2 Qf2+ 34.Rd2 Rc8+ 35.Nc3 Qb6 36.Qh6+ Kf7 37.Qh5+ Kf8 38.Qh6+ Kf7 39.Qh7+ Kf8 40.g4 a4 41.Qh6+ Kf7 42.g5 a3 43.gxf6 Qxb2+ 44.Kd1 Qa1+ 45.Ke2 exf6 46.Qh7+ Kf8 47.Qh8+ Kf7 48.Rd7+* 1-0 (48) Randomguy438273 (2858)-Zlatin (2595) Blitz 2023; *10.0-0-0 0-0 11.Qd2 Be6 12.Kb1 Qa5 13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Nxe7+ Kh7 15.Rxd2 Rfe8 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Rxe3* 0-1 (17) Goodgoodchess (2827)-Mischuk,D (2713) Blitz 2024*)* 10...0-0 11.Bc4 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.0-0 Qa5 14.Rfd1 Rac8 15.Qd3 a6 16.Ne2 Nd7 17.Nd4 Nc5 18.Qe2 Bxd4 19.Bxd4 e5 20.Bc3 Qb6 21.Qe3 Na4 22.Qxb6 Nxb6 23.a4 Rc6 24.a5 Na8 25.Rdc1 Rfc8 26.Kf1 Nc7 27.Bd2 Ne6 28.c3 Nc5 29.Ra3 Nd3 30.Rb1 Kf7 31.Ke2 Nc5 32.Be3 Ke8 33.b4 Ne6 34.Kd3 Nc7 35.Rc1 Nb5 36.Rb3 Rc4 37.Bd2 Kd7 38.h3 Ke6 39.g4 hxg4 40.hxg4 d5 41.exd5+ Kxd5 42.Rh1 Ke6 43.Rh7 R4c6 44.Rh2 Rd8+ 45.Ke3 Nd6 46.Ke2 Nc4 47.Bg5 Rcd6 48.Rh6 Rd1 49.Rxg6+ Kf7 50.Rh6 Kg7 51.Re6 Ra1 52.Rxe7+ Kg6 53.Bh4 Ra2+ 54.Ke1 Rdd2 55.Rb1 Rh2 0-1 (55) Faustioro (2861)-Punchen (2696) Blitz 2024]

10.Bxh6 Rxh6 11.0-0-0 Qa5 12.Bb5+ Kf8 13.e5 dxe5 14.Qxe5 a6 15.Rhe1 Be6 16.Bd3 Qxe5 17.Rxe5 Nd7 18.Re3 Nc5 19.Be2 b5 20.b4 Nb7 21.a4 bxa4 22.Nxa4 Kg7 23.Nb6 Ra7 24.Rxe6 fxe6 25.Rd7 Kf6 26.f4 Rh8 27.Bf3 Rb8 28.Rc7 Kf5 29.Nc8 Rxc8 30.Rxc8 Nd6 31.Rf8+ 1-0 (31) Coffeechessclub2023 (2905)-Literal Bagel (2714) Blitz 2025

61 **10.Bb5+** Kf8

[10...Bd7 11.Bxd7+ Qxd7 12.Be3

Bxe3 13.Qxe3 a6 14.0-0-0 Qc7 15.Rhe1 Rc8 16.Kb1 *(16.Rd2 Qc5 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Qxe3 19.Rxe3 Kd7 20.b3 b5 21.Kb2 a5 22.c3 Rhe8 23.Rd4 e5 24.dxe6+ Rxe6 25.Red3 Re2+ 26.Rd2 Rxd2+ 27.Rxd2 Rc5 28.Rd4 Re5 29.Kc2 Kc6 30.Kd2 d5 31.a4 Kc5 32.axb5 Kxb5 33.Rf4 f5 34.h4 Re6 35.Rd4 Kc5 36.Ra4 Kb5 37.Ra1 Re7 38.Kd3 Re6 39.Kd2 Re5 40.Ra4 Re7 41.Rf4 Kc5 42.g4 fxg4 43.fxg4 hxg4 44.Rxg4 Rh7 45.Kd3 Rh5 46.Ke3 Re5+ 47.Kf3 Re6 48.Ra4 Kb5 49.Kf4 Rc6 50.Rd4 Rxc3 51.Rxd5+ Kb4 52.Rd6 Kxb3 53.Rxg6 Rc4+ 54.Kg5 a4 55.Ra6 a3 56.Rxa3+ Kxa3 57.h5 Rc1 58.h6 Rh1 59.Kg6 Rg1+ 60.Kf7 Rf1+ 61.Kg7 Rg1+ 62.Kf7 Rh1 63.Kg7 Kb4 64.h7 Rg1+ 65.Kf7 Rf1+ 66.Kg7 Rg1+ 67.Kf7 Rh1 68.Kg7 Rh2 69.h8Q Rxh8 70.Kxh8* ½-½ (70) Keepging002 (2813)-Ajedrezante (2616) Blitz 2025*)* 16...Qc5 17.Qd2 b5 18.f4 b4 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Rc7 21.Re4 0-0 22.Rxb4 Rfc8 23.c3 a5 24.Re4 Qb5 25.Ka1 a4 26.a3 f5 27.Rb4 Qd7 28.Qc2 Rc4 29.Rd4 Rxb4 30.Rxb4 Rc5 31.Qxa4 Qxa4 32.Rxa4 Rxd5 33.Rd4 Rc5 34.a4 Kf7 35.Kb1 Ke6 36.Kc2 Kd7 37.b4 Rc8 38.Kb3 h4 39.b5 Rg8 40.a5 g5 41.g3 hxg3 42.hxg3 gxf4 43.gxf4 Rg1 44.a6 Rb1+ 45.Ka4 Ra1+ 46.Kb4 e6 47.c4 Kc7 48.Rd3 Rf1 49.Rh3 Kb6 50.Rh7 Rb1+ 51.Kc3 Rc1+ 52.Kd2 Ra1 53.Rb7+ Kc5 54.a7 Kxc4 55.b6 Kb5 56.Rb8 Ra2+ 57.Ke3 Ra3+ 58.Kf2 Ra2+ 59.Kg3 Ra3+ 60.Kh4 1-0 (60) Keepging002 (2819)-Ajedrezante (2610) Blitz 2025]

11.f4

[11.Qe2 Qa5 *(11...Be6 12.0-0 a6 13.Bc4 Bxc4 14.Qxc4 Rc8 15.Qb3 Bg7 16.Qxb7 Rb8 17.Qxa6 Rxb2 18.Rab1 Rxc2 19.Qd3 Rxc3 20.Qxc3 Kg8 21.a4 Kh7 22.a5 Qa8 23.Rfc1 e5 24.Bb6 d5 25.Qc6 dxe4 26.Qxa8 Rxa8 27.Rc7 Kg8 28.Ra7 Rc8 29.a6 exf3 30.gxf3 e4 31.Rc7 Ra8 32.a7 Nd5 33.Rb7 Nxb6 34.R1xb6 Bd4+ 35.Kf1 Rxa7 36.Rxa7 Bxb6 37.Rb7 Bd4 38.fxe4 Be5 39.h3 Kg7 40.Ke2 Kf6 41.Kf3 g5 42.Ra7 Kg6 43.Ra6+ f6 44.Ra2 Kh6 45.Rg2 Kg6 46.Ke2 Kh6 47.Rg1 Kg6 48.Kd3 Kh6 49.Kc4 Kg6 50.Kd5 Bf4 51.Ke6 Be5 52.Rg2 Bf4 53.Rc2 g4 54.hxg4 hxg4 55.Kd5 g3 56.Kd4 Kg5 57.Kd3 Kg4 58.Ke2 Be5 59.Kf1 Kf3 60.Re2 Bd4 61.Rg2 Bf2 62.e5 fxe5 63.Rxf2+ gxf2* ½-½ (63) Cowboy1995 (2810)-Mischuk,D (2723) Blitz 2024*)* 12.Bc4 Be6 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.e5 dxe5 16.Bxe5 Qb6+ 17.Kh1 Kf7 18.Ne4 Rhd8 19.c3 Qa5 20.Bd4 Rd5 21.a4 Rcd8 22.Rfe1 Nxe4 23.fxe4 R5d7 24.Rf1+ Kg8 25.Qf3 Rf8 26.Qg3 g5 27.Rxf8+ Kxf8 28.Qf3+ Kg8 29.Qxh5 Rxd4 30.cxd4 Bg7 31.Qe8+ Kh7 32.Qxe7 Qd2 33.Qxe6 Qxd4 34.Qf5+ Kh6 35.Rf1 Qxb2 36.h3 Qd4 37.Qe6+ Kh7 38.Rf7 Kh8 39.Re7 Qd1+ 40.Kh2 Qf1 41.Re8+ Kh7 42.Qf5+ Qxf5 43.exf5 b6 44.g4 Bd4 45.Re6 Bc5 46.Kg2 a5 47.Kf3 1-0 (47) Gromis12 (2902)-Mischuk,D (2723) Blitz 2024]

11...Qa5

[11...Be6 12.0-0 Rc8 13.Kh1 a6 14.Bd3 b5 15.Qe2 Kg7 16.f5 Bc4

17.fxg6 fxg6 18.e5 dxe5 19.Bxe5 Bxd3 20.cxd3 Rf8 21.Ne4 Rc6 22.d4 Kh7 23.Nc5 Ng4 24.Rxf8 Qxf8 25.Rf1 Qe8 26.h3 Ne3 27.Rf3 Nf5 28.Qe4 Bg7 29.g4 Bxe5 30.Qxe5 Ng7 31.Ne4 Kg8 32.Qd5+ Kh8 33.Ng5 Qc8 34.Nf7+ Kh7 35.Qg5 Rc1+ 36.Kg2 Qc2+ 37.Kg3 Rg1+ 38.Kh4 Rxg4+ 39.Qxg4 hxg4 40.Ng5+ Kg8 41.hxg4 Qh2+ 42.Rh3 Qf2+ 43.Rg3 Qxd4 44.Kh3 Qxb2 45.Rd3 Ne8 46.Nf3 Qf6 47.Re3 Nd6 48.Kg2 Qf4 49.Re2 Ne4 50.Ng1 Qg3+ 51.Kf1 Qf4+ 52.Kg2 Ng3 53.Rf2 Qxg4 54.Nf3 Nf5+ 55.Kf1 Nh4 56.Ke2 Nxf3 57.Rxf3 1-0 (57) Keepging002 (2813)-Ajedrezante (2616) Blitz 2025]

12.0-0 Be6 13.Qe2 a6 14.Bd3 Qb4 15.Bxf6 exf6 16.Rab1 Kg7 17.f5 Bd7 18.Nd5 Qd4+ 19.Kh1 Bc6 20.fxg6 Bxd5 21.exd5 Rae8 22.Qf3 fxg6 23.c3 Qe5 24.Rbe1 Qg5 25.Re6 Rhf8 26.Qe4 f5 27.Qd4+ Kh7 28.Rxd6 Bg7 29.Rd7 Re7 30.Rxe7 Qxe7 31.d6 Qg5 32.Qd5 Qd2 33.d7 Rd8 34.Rxf5 Qe1+ 35.Rf1 Qh4 36.g3 Qg4 37.Rf4 Qxd7 38.Qxh5+ Bh6 39.Qxg6+ Kh8 40.Qxh6+ Kg8 41.Bc4+ 1-0 (41) Secret Mikalsen (2911)-Mischuk,D (2695) Blitz 2024

10.Qf2 Be6

[10...Qa5 11.Bb5+ Kf8 12.Bc4 Be6 13.Bd3 Rc8 14.0-0 a6 15.Rae1 Bc4 16.e5 dxe5 17.Rxe5 Qb4 18.Rfe1 Bxd3 19.cxd3 Kg7 20.Rxe7 Rhd8 21.Bxf6+ Kxf6 22.R7e4 Qc5 23.d4 Qb6 24.d5 Qxf2+ 25.Kxf2 Bd2 26.Rd1 Bxc3 27.bxc3 Rxc3 28.Rd2 Rd6 29.h4 Rc5 30.Red4 b5 31.Ke3 Ke5 32.f4+ Kf5 33.R4d3 Rc4 34.g3 Kg4 35.Kf2 f5 36.Kg2 b4 37.Kf2 Re4 38.Rc2 Re7 39.Rc6 Red7 40.Rxd6 Rxd6 41.Rd4 a5 42.Rd3 Kh3 43.Kf3 a4 44.Rd2 b3 45.axb3 axb3 46.Kf2 b2 47.Rxb2 Rxd5 48.Rb1 Rd2+ 49.Kf3 Rd3+ 50.Kf2 Rxg3 51.Rb6 Rg4 52.Kf3 Kxh4 53.Rb2 Rg3+ 54.Kf2 Kg4 55.Rb6 Rf3+ 56.Kg2 Rg3+ 57.Kh2 h4 58.Rxg6+ Kxf4 59.Rh6 Rg4 60.Kh3 Kf3 61.Rf6 f4 62.Ra6 Rg3+ 63.Kh2 h3 64.Ra3+ Kg4 65.Ra4 Rg2+ 66.Kh1 Kg3 67.Ra3+ f3 68.Rxf3+ Kxf3 ½-½ (68) Anuar Is (2832)-Satlan (2715) Blitz 2023]

[10...0-0 11.Bc4 Be6 12.Bb3 Nd7 13.0-0 Qa5 14.f4 Qb4 15.f5 Bxb3 16.axb3 e6 17.Ra4 1-0 (17) Rasulovvugar (2817)-Zoubkovavila (2663) Blitz 2023]

11.Bb5+ Kf8 12.Rd1 Qa5 13.0-0 h4 14.Bxf6 exf6 15.Rxd6 Bf4 16.Rxe6 fxe6 17.Qc5+ Kg8 18.Rd1 Qc7 19.Qxc7 Bxc7 20.Bc4 Re8 21.Nb5 Bb6+ 22.Kf1 Rh7 23.Nd6 Ree7 24.Nc8 Re8 25.Nxb6 axb6 26.Rd6 Rc7 27.Bxe6+ Kf8 28.Bb3 Rc6 29.Rd7 Re7 30.Rd8+ Re8 31.Rd5 Re5 32.Rd4 Ke7 33.Ke2 Rd6 34.Bd5 f5 35.c4 fxe4 36.Rxe4 Rxe4+ 37.Bxe4 Kf6 38.Bxb7 Ke5 39.Ke3 Rd1 40.f4+ Kf6 41.Be4 Ra1 42.a3 Ra2 43.b4 Rxa3+ 44.Kd4 Ra4 45.b5 g5 46.fxg5+ Kxg5 47.Kd5 Kf4 48.g3+ hxg3 49.hxg3+ Kxg3 50.Bh7 Ra7 51.Bg8 Rc7 52.Kd6 Rc5 53.Bd5 Kf4 54.Bc6 Rxc4 55.Kc7 Rb4 56.Kxb6 Rxb5+ 57.Kxb5 Normal ½-½ (57) Vistagausta (2883)-Gaius Baltar (2845) Blitz 2024

10.Qd3 0-0 11.Be2 Be6 12.h3

[12.Rd1 Qa5 13.0-0 Bg7 14.Qd2 Rfe8 15.a3 Rac8 16.b4 Qd8 17.Bb5 Nd7 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Ne2 Kg8 20.Nd4 Bc4 21.Bxd7 Qxd7 22.Rfe1

e5 23.Nb3 Red8 24.Qe3 b6 25.Rd2 Qe6 26.Red1 d5 27.exd5 Rxd5 28.h3 Bxb3 29.cxb3 Rxd2 30.Rxd2 Kg7 31.a4 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Rb1 33.Rd3 Qf6 34.b5 Qf4+ 35.Qxf4 exf4 36.Rd7 Rxb3 37.Rxa7 Ra3 38.h4 Kf6 39.Ra6 Kf5 40.Kg1 Ra2 41.Kf1 f6 42.Ke1 g5 43.hxg5 fxg5 44.Kf1 g4 45.Rxb6 Rxa4 46.Rb8 Kg5 47.b6 Rb4 48.b7 Rb1+ 49.Ke2 gxf3+ 50.Kxf3 Rb2 51.Rg8+ Kh4 52.g3+ fxg3 53.b8Q Rf2+ 54.Ke3 Rg2 55.Qc8 1-0 (55) Pingshenmeyaoshiwang (2866)-Mischuk,D (2677) Blitz 2024]

12...Rc8 13.Bxa7 b6 14.Qa6 Be3 15.a4 Ra8 16.a5 bxa5 17.Bxe3 Rxa6 18.Bxa6 d5 19.e5 Nd7 20.Bd4 Qb8 21.f4 Qxb2 22.Kd2 Qb8 23.Rhb1 Qc7 24.Rb7 Qd8 25.Bb5 f6 26.exf6 Nxf6 27.Re1 Ne4+ 28.Nxe4 dxe4 29.c3 Rxf4 30.Ke3 Rf5 31.Rb1 Qd6 32.Ke2 Rxb5 33.R1xb5 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Bxb5 35.Rxb5 a4 36.Ra5 a3 37.Ke3 Qg3+ 38.Kxe4 Qxg2+ 39.Ke5 a2 40.Ke6 Qb2 41.Ra8+ Kh7 42.Rh8# 1-0 (42) Pioneerzhangbeihai (2881)-Ciba Dr Strange (2693) Blitz 2024

[62] **11...0-0** 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Bc4 Kg7 14.Kb1 Be6 15.Bb3 Bxb3 16.axb3 Rfc8 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.Rxd5 Qb6 19.Qxb6 axb6 20.Rb5 Ra6 21.b4 Rca8 0-1 (21) Dmitrijiiigm (2857)-Vladimirovich9000 (2787) Blitz 2025

[63] **12.0-0-0** Qa5

[12...0-0 13.h3 Qa5 14.g4 Bxa2 15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.Rg1 Be6 17.Rg5 Qb6 18.Qd2 Nf6 19.f4 Rfc8 20.Bd3 Bc4 21.e5 dxe5 22.fxe5 Nh7 23.Rg4 Bxd3 24.Qxd3 Nf8 25.Rf1 Rd8 26.Qf3 Qe6 27.Rf4 Qxe5 28.Rxf7 Rac8 29.Kb1 b5 30.Rf4 Ne6 31.Re4 Ng5 32.Rxe5 1-0 (32) Merci Mon Ami (2851)-Niper13 (2651) Blitz 2023]

13.Kb1

[13.Qd4 Rc8 14.Bb5+ Kf8 15.Qa4 Qb6 16.Qd4 Qa5 17.Qa4 Qxa4 18.Bxa4 a6 19.Bb3 Nd7 20.Rhe1 h4 21.Rd2 g5 22.Ne2 Ne5 23.Nd4 Bd7 24.Kb1 b5 25.c3 e6 26.h3 Ke7 27.Red1 Ng6 28.Nc2 Rc6 29.Ne3 Rd8 30.a4 Bc8 31.a5 Nf4 32.c4 Rc5 33.cxb5 Rxb5 34.Ba2 Rxa5 35.Nc4 Rc5 36.Nxd6 Rxd6 37.Rxd6 Nxg2 38.R6d2 Nf4 39.Rh2 e5 40.Rdh1 f5 41.Bb3 Bb7 42.Bc2 Rc4 43.Rg1 fxe4 44.fxe4 Kf6 45.Rd2 Nxh3 46.Rd6+ Ke7 47.Rgd1 Bc8 48.Rg6 Be6 49.Rxe6+ Kxe6 50.Bb3 g4 51.Bxc4+ Kf6 52.Rf1+ Nf4 53.Be2 g3 54.Bf3 Kg5 55.Kc2 h3 56.Kd2 g2 57.Ra1 Kh4 58.Ke3 Kg3 59.Bxg2 hxg2 60.b4 Nh3 61.Kd3 g1Q 62.Rxg1+ Nxg1 63.Kc4 Kf4 64.Kd5 Nf3 65.Kc5 Kxe4 66.Kb6 Nd4 67.Kxa6 Kd5 68.b5 Kc4 69.b6 Nc6 70.b7 1-0 (70) Evg85 (2814)-Satlan (2760) Blitz 2024]

[13.h3 Rc8 14.Bb5+ Kf8 15.g4 a6 16.Be2 b5 17.g5 b4 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bf5 20.Bd3 Bxd3 21.Rxd3 Qxa2 22.Re1 Qa1+ 23.Kd2 Qxb2 24.Rc1 Kg7 25.Rb3 Qe5 26.Qxe5+ dxe5 27.Rxb4 Rhd8 28.Rb7 Rxd5+ 29.Ke2 e6 30.c4 Rdc5 31.Kd3 a5 32.Ra7 Rd8+ 33.Ke3 Rd4 34.Rb1 Rcxc4 35.Rxa5 Rc3+ 36.Ke2 Rf4 37.Rf1 Rf5 38.h4 Rc4 39.Rh1 e4 40.Rxf5 gxf5 41.fxe4 Rxe4+ 42.Kf3 Kg6 43.Kg3 f4+ 44.Kf3 Kf5 45.Ra1 Re3+ 46.Kf2 Kg4 47.Ra7 Kxh4 48.Rxf7 Kxg5 49.Rg7+ Kf6 50.Rh7 Kg6 51.Rh8 e5 52.Rf8 h4 53.Rh8

h3 0-1 (53) Erow (2812)-Mo Fanxue (2754) Blitz 2023]

13...Rb8

[13...0-0 14.Qd2 *(14.a3 Rfc8 15.Qd4 Rc6 16.Qb4 Qc7 17.Bb5 Rb6 18.Na4 a6 19.Nxb6 Qxb6 20.Bd3 Qc7 21.Rhe1 Nd7 22.f4 Bg4 23.Rc1 Nc5 24.f5 h4 25.fxg6 fxg6 26.e5 Bh5 27.exd6 exd6 28.Qxh4 Nxd3 29.cxd3 Qf7 30.g4 Qf4* 1-0 (30) Solitarylife (2831)-Zoubkovavila (2680) Blitz 2023*)* 14...Rfc8 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Nxf6+ exf6 17.Rxd2 Rc6 18.Bb5 Rb6 19.Ba4 Kf8 20.Rhd1 Ke7 21.Bb3 g5 22.Bd5 Rc8 23.b3 Bxd5 24.Rxd5 Rc5 25.Kb2 Rxd5 26.Rxd5 Ke6 27.h4 gxh4 28.Rxh5 Rc6 29.Rxh4 Rc8 30.Rh5 Rg8 31.g4 a6 32.a4 Rc8 33.c4 b6 34.a5 bxa5 35.Rxa5 Rc6 36.Kc3 Rb6 37.b4 Kd7 38.Kb3 Rc6 39.Rf5 Ke6 40.Rd5 Ke7 41.f4 Ke6 42.Rd4 Ke7 43.Ka4 Ke6 44.Ka5 Ke7 45.f5 Ke8 46.b5 axb5 47.cxb5 Rc1 48.Rxd6 Ra1+ 49.Kb6 Re1 50.Kc7 Rxe4 51.b6 Rc4+ 52.Rc6 Rb4 53.b7 1-0 (53) Elconceto (2906)-Zoubkovavila (2699) Blitz 2024]

[13...Rc8 14.a3 Kf8 *(14...0-0 15.Be2 Bc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Rd4 Qc5 18.Rhd1 Rc8 19.Qd2 b5 20.Rxc4 Qxc4 21.Qd3 b4 22.Qxc4 Rxc4 23.axb4 Rxb4 24.b3 h4 25.Kb2 Nh5 26.Nd5 Rb7 27.Ra1 e6 28.Ne3 Kf8 29.Ra6 Ke7 30.c3 Nf4 31.b4 Rc7 32.c4 h3 33.gxh3 Nxh3 34.e5 dxe5 35.c5 Ng5 36.Nc4 Nxf3 37.h3 e4 38.Kc3 f5 39.c6 f4 40.b5 e3 41.Kd3 e5 42.Ra2 Ke6 43.Ra1 Nd4 44.Ke4 Nxb5 45.Nxe5 Nd6+ 46.Kxf4 g5+ 47.Kxg5 Kxe5* 0-1 (47) Nevaljahka (2893)-Satlan (2736) Blitz 2023*; 14...a6 15.Rd4 Qc5 16.Be2 b5 17.Rhd1 Nd7 18.h4 Ne5 19.Qg1 0-0 20.R4d2 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Qxc4 22.Rd4 Qc5 23.g4 a5 24.gxh5 Qxh5 25.f4 Kh7 26.Nd5 Bxd5 27.Rxd5 Qe2 28.R1d2 Qxe4 29.h5 Rxc2 30.R5d4 Rc1+ 31.Ka2 Qb1+ 32.Kb3 Rxg1* 0-1 (32) Silence404 (2871)-Satlan (2721) Blitz 2024 *)* 15.Be2 *(15.h3 h4 16.f4 Rxc3 17.Qxc3 Qxc3 18.bxc3 Nxe4 19.Rd4 Nxc3+ 20.Kb2 Nd5 21.Be2 Kg7 22.Bf3 Ne3 23.Re1 Nc4+ 24.Rxc4 Bxc4 25.Rxe7 Ba6 26.Bd5 Rf8 27.Rd7 Kf6 28.Kc3 Kf5 29.Kd4 Kxf4 30.Bxf7 Bb5 31.Rxb7 Bc6 32.Rxa7 Bxg2 33.Bxg6 Bxh3 34.a4 Bg2 35.a5 h3 36.Rh7 Kg3 37.Be4 Rf4 38.Rg7+ Kf2 39.Re7 Rxe4+ 40.Rxe4 Bxe4* 0-1 (40) Sovietrussia (2816)-Gogotaniye (2780) Blitz 2023*)* 15...Kg7 16.Rd4 a6 17.Rhd1 Qb6 18.Qd2 Qa5 19.Nd5 Qxd2 20.R1xd2 Bxd5 21.exd5 Nd7 22.c3 h4 23.Bf1 g5 24.Rg4 Kf6 25.Ka2 Ne5 26.Rb4 Rc7 27.Rf2 Ng6 28.Rd4 Rhc8 29.a4 a5 30.Ka3 Rc5 31.Bb5 Nf4 32.Rfd2 Ng6 33.Kb3 Ne5 34.Re2 Ng6 35.g3 hxg3 36.hxg3 Rh8 37.f4 gxf4 38.gxf4 Rh3 39.Bc4 Rc7 40.Bd3 Nf8 41.Rg2 Nd7 42.Bb5 Nc5+ 43.Kc2 Re3 44.Rh2 Re4 45.Rxe4 Nxe4 46.Kd3 Nc5+ 47.Ke3 Rc8 48.Rh6+ Kg7 49.Rh1 Nb3 50.Rg1+ Kf6 51.Rh1 Rg8 52.Kf2 Rg4 53.Kf3 Rg8 54.Bd3 Nc5 55.Bc2 Kg7 56.Rg1+ Kf8 57.Rh1 Kg7 58.b4 axb4 59.cxb4 Na6 60.Rg1+ Kf8 61.Rb1 Ke8 62.a5 Kd7 63.Bd3 Rc8 64.Rb3 Rc1 65.Ke3 Ra1 66.Kd4 Nc7 67.Bc4 e6 68.dxe6+ fxe6 69.Rh3 d5 70.Bd3 Kd6 71.Kc3 Ra3+ 72.Kc2 Ra2+

73.Kb3 Ra1 74.Rh7 Rd1 75.Kc3 Rc1+ 76.Bc2 Re1 77.Bd3 Re3 78.Kd2 Rf3 79.b5 Rxf4 80.b6 Ne8 81.Rxb7 Ra4 82.a6 Nf6 83.a7 1-0 (83) Silence404 (2894)-Mischuk,D (2678) Blitz 2024]

14.Bb5+ Kf8 15.Ba4 b5 16.Bb3 b4 17.Na4 Bxb3 18.cxb3 Kg7 19.f4 Rhc8 20.h3 d5 21.exd5 Rb5 22.Qxe7 Rxd5 23.Ka1 Re8 24.Rxd5 Qxd5 25.Qxb4 Qxg2 26.Rc1 Qxh3 27.a3 h4 28.Nc5 Qe3 29.Rh1 h3 30.f5 g5 31.Qc4 g4 32.Ka2 Qd2 33.Rg1 Re2 34.Nd3 Re4 35.Qa6 h2 36.Rh1 g3 37.Nc5 Re5 38.Qxa7 Nd5 39.Ne6+ Kf6 40.Kb1 Re1+ 41.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 42.Kc2 h1Q 43.Kd3 Qhe4# 0-1 (43) Brittabagels (2909)-Birakmandogrumu (2627) Blitz 2023

12.Be2 Qa5 13.0-0

[13.Rd1 0-0 14.0-0 Qb4 15.Rb1 Rfc8 16.f4 Qc5 17.Qxc5 Rxc5 18.a4 a6 19.Bd3 Bc4 20.h3 Bxd3 21.cxd3 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Rfc1 Rac8 24.Kf2 e6 25.Ke3 Kf8 26.Ne2 Ke7 27.b4 Rc2 28.Ra1 Nd7 29.Rxc2 Rxc2 30.Ra7 e5 31.g4 hxg4 32.hxg4 Rb2 33.fxe5 dxe5 34.Nc3 Ke6 35.Ra6+ Ke7 36.Nd5+ Kf8 37.Ra7 Ke8 38.Ra8+ 1-0 (38) Kivurawnuru (2838)-Niper13 (2644) Blitz 2023]

[13.a3 Rc8 14.0-0 Kf8 15.h3 h4 16.f4 Kg7 17.Rad1 Rxc3 18.bxc3 Rc8 19.c4 Bxc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.e5 Nd5 22.Qf2 Nc3 23.Rde1 Qc5 24.Qxc5 dxc5 25.e6 f5 26.Rf3 Ne4 27.c3 Kf6 28.Rd1 Kxe6 29.Rd8 Nxc3 30.Rb8 b6 31.Rb7 Ne4 32.Rxa7 Rc1+ 33.Rf1 Rc2 34.Ra6 Rb2 35.a4 Kf7 36.Re1 c4 37.a5 bxa5 38.Rxa5 c3 39.Raa1 c2 40.Rac1 Nc3 41.Kf1 Na2 42.Ra1 c1Q 43.Rexc1 Nxc1 44.Rxc1 Rb4 45.Rc3 Rxf4+ 46.Ke2 Kf6 47.Ke1 e5 48.Ke2 Ra4 49.Rc6+ Kg5 50.Kf2 f4 51.Re6 Kf5 52.Re8 Ra2+ 53.Kg1 e4 54.Rf8+ Kg5 55.Re8 e3 56.Kf1 Rf2+ 57.Kg1 Kf5 58.Re7 g5 59.Re8 Ra2 60.Kf1 Ra5 61.Ke2 Ra2+ 62.Kf1 Kf6 63.Re4 Rf2+ 64.Kg1 Kf5 65.Re8 Re2 66.Kf1 Rf2+ 67.Kg1 ½-½ (67) Tuzakli Egitim (2816)-Mischuk,D (2722) Blitz 2023]

13...Rc8

[13...0-0 14.Kh1 Rfc8 15.a3 Rc7 16.Rad1 Rac8 17.f4 Rxc3 18.bxc3 Qxc3 19.Bd3 Bg4 20.Rde1 Qxa3 21.h3 Bd7 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qf2 Qc5 24.Qg3 Qc3 25.f5 dxe5 26.Rxe5 h4 27.Qe1 Qxe1 28.Rfxe1 e6 29.fxg6 f5 30.Bxf5 Nf4 31.Be4 Kg7 32.Rf1 Kf6 33.Rh5 e5 34.Rxh4 Kg5 35.Rh7 Be6 36.Rxb7 Rc4 37.Bd3 Rc3 38.g7 Bd5 39.Rd7 Bxg2+ 40.Kg1 Rc8 41.Rxf4 exf4 42.Kxg2 Kf6 43.Bc4 Normal 1-0 (43) Kostik Mostik (2847)-Vladimirovich9000 (2863) Blitz 2024]

14.f4 Bc4 15.e5 Ng4 16.Bxg4 hxg4 17.exd6 Qc5 18.Qxc5 Rxc5 19.Rfe1 e6 20.Ne4 Rc6 21.Rad1 Kd8 22.b3 Bd5 23.Ng5 Rf8 24.c4 1-0 (24) Ilqar (2874)-Ggangbuvip (2695) Blitz 2025

12.Bd3 Qa5 13.0-0 Rc8 14.Bb5+ Kf8 15.a4 a6 16.Bd3 Qc5 17.Qxc5 dxc5 18.a5 Kg7 19.Rfd1 Rhd8 20.Be2 Nd7 21.Na4 c4 22.h4 Ne5 23.Nb6 Rb8 24.f4 Bg4 25.Kf2 Bxe2 26.Kxe2 Ng4 27.Nxc4 Rdc8 28.b3 Rc7 29.Rd4 Re8 30.e5 f6 31.Rad1 fxe5 32.fxe5 Rf8 33.Rf1 Rfc8 34.Rf3 Rc5 35.Rd7 Re8 36.Rxb7 Nxe5 37.Nxe5 Rxe5+ 38.Re3 Rxa5 39.Rbxe7+ Rxe7 40.Rxe7+ Kf6 41.Re4 Ra1 42.Ra4

Rh1 43.Rxa6+ Kf5 44.Ra5+ Kf4 45.Rg5 Rxh4 46.Rxg6 Rh1 47.Rg8 h4 48.b4 Rb1 49.c3 Ke4 50.Rg4+ 1-0 (50) Invisibleguest2023 (2846)-Punchen (2664) Blitz 2024

64 **13.Ba4** Kg7
[13...Qa5 14.0-0 Rc8 15.Bb3 Qc5 16.Kf2 h4 17.Rad1 Kg7 18.Rfe1 Qxe3+ 19.Rxe3 Bxb3 20.axb3 a6 21.Rd4 Rh5 22.Rb4 b5 23.Rd4 Rhc5 24.Re2 Kf8 25.Rdd2 b4 26.Nd1 a5 27.Ne3 Ra8 28.Rd4 Ra6 29.Re1 e5 30.Rc4 Ke7 31.Ra1 Rxc4 32.Nxc4 Ke6 33.Rxa5 Rxa5 34.Nxa5 d5 35.exd5+ Nxd5 36.Nc4 f5 37.g3 hxg3+ 38.hxg3 g5 39.Ne3 Nf6 40.Ke2 f4 41.gxf4 exf4 42.Nd1 g4 43.fxg4 Nxg4 44.Nf2 Nf6 45.Nd3 Nd5 46.Kd2 Kf5 47.c4 bxc3+ 48.bxc3 Ke4 49.Nc5+ Kf3 50.c4 Ne3 51.Kd3 Nf5 52.b4 Kg2 53.b5 f3 54.Ne4 Nd6 55.Nd2 f2 56.b6 Nb7 57.Kd4 1-0 (57) Sumsar42 (2908)-Himmelrat63 (2651) Blitz 2022]
14.Bb3 Bxb3 15.axb3 a6 16.0-0-0 Qa5 17.Kb1 Rac8 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Rxd5 Qc7 20.c3 h4 21.Rhd1 Qc6 22.f4 b5 23.f5 Rh6 24.e5 dxe5 25.Rxe5 Qf6 26.Rd7 Re8 27.Ka2 gxf5 28.Rexe7 Rxe7 29.Rxe7 Rg6 30.g3 hxg3 31.hxg3 Rg4 32.Ra7 Re4 33.Qd3 Re6 34.Qd5 Rd6 35.Rxf7+ Qxf7 36.Qxd6 Qg6 37.Qxg6+ Kxg6 38.c4 b4 39.Kb1 Kf6 40.Kc2 Ke5 41.Kd3 a5 42.Ke3 Normal 1-0 (42) Azumilover (2997)-Mischuk,D (2680) Blitz 2024

13.0-0 Qa5 14.Bd3 Rc8 15.Kh1 Qc5 16.Qe1 h4 17.f4 Kg7 18.Rd1 Bg4 19.Be2 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Nh5 0-1 (20) Brittabagels (2824)-Satlan (2729) Blitz 2024

65 **14.a3**
[14.Ba4 Rc8 15.Bb3 Bxb3 16.axb3 Rc6 17.Qd4 Kg7 18.Qa4 Qxa4 19.bxa4 Rhc8 20.Kb1 a6 21.Rd4 Rc4 22.Rhd1 Rxd4 23.Rxd4 h4 24.Kc1 g5 25.Kd2 g4 26.f4 Nh5 27.Ne2 Kf6 28.Rd5 Rc5 29.Rxc5 dxc5 30.a5 e5 31.Ke3 Ke6 32.f5+ Kd6 33.c4 Kc6 34.g3 h3 35.Kf2 Nf6 36.Nc3 b6 37.axb6 Nd7 38.Nd5 Nxb6 39.Ne3 Na4 40.b3 Nc3 41.Nxg4 Nxe4+ 42.Ke3 Nd6 43.Nxe5+ Kb6 44.g4 Ka5 45.Nd3 f6 46.Nxc5 Kb4 47.Ne4 Ne8 48.c5 Kxb3 49.g5 fxg5 50.f6 Nxf6 51.Nxf6 a5 52.c6 a4 53.c7 a3 54.c8Q a2 55.Qc1 a1Q 56.Qxa1 g4 57.Nxg4 1-0 (57) Mnogoznaal11 (2815)-Zoubkovavila (2640) Blitz 2023]
14...Rc8
[14...Kg7 15.h3 Rhc8 16.Be2 h4 17.f4 Qc5 18.Qxc5 Rxc5 19.Bf3 Rac8 20.Rd2 b5 21.Re1 a5 22.e5 dxe5 23.Rxe5 b4 24.axb4 axb4 25.Rxc5 Rxc5 26.Ne2 b3 27.Nd4 Bc4 28.cxb3 Bxb3+ 29.Kb1 Bd5 30.Bxd5 Rxd5 31.Kc2 e6 32.Kd3 Nh5 33.Ke4 f5+ 34.Ke3 Kf6 35.b4 e5 36.fxe5+ Rxe5+ 37.Kd3 Nf4+ 38.Kc4 Nd5 39.Kc5 Nc3+ 40.Kc6 Re8 41.b5 Rc8+ 42.Kd7 Rb8 43.Kc7 Re8 44.b6 Re7+ 45.Kc6 Re8 46.b7 Ne4 47.Rb2 Ke5 48.Nf3+ Kf4 49.Nxh4 Re6+ 50.Kc7 Re7+ 51.Kd8 Rg7 52.b8Q+ 1-0 (52) Temurkuybokarov (2847)-Nadigraj (2703) Blitz 2024]
15.e5
[15.Be2 h4 *(15...Kg7 16.Qd4 Rc6 17.Qb4 Qxb4 18.axb4 Bc4 19.b3 Bxb3 20.Kb2 Rhc8 21.Rd3 Bc4*

22.Rd2 Bxe2 23.Nxe2 Rb6 24.c3 a5 25.Kb3 axb4 26.cxb4 Nd7 27.Rd4 Nc5+ 28.Kb2 e5 29.Rc4 Nd3+ 30.Kc3 Rxc4+ 31.Kxc4 Nxb4 32.Nc3 Nc2 33.Nd5 Rc6+ 34.Kd3 Nd4 35.Rb1 b5 36.Nc3 Ra6 37.Rb2 Ra3 38.Kd2 h4 39.h3 Kh6 40.Nd5 Kg5 41.Ke1 f5 42.exf5 gxf5 43.Kf2 Rb3 44.Ra2 Rd3 45.Nb4 Rb3 46.Nd5 Rb1 47.f4+ exf4 48.Rd2 Nc6 49.Rc2 Ne5 50.Rc8 Rb2+ 51.Kf1 f3 52.Rg8+ Kh6 53.gxf3 Nxf3 54.Ne3 Nd4 55.Rd8 f4 56.Rxd6+ Kg5 57.Rd5+ Kf6 58.Ng4+ Ke6 59.Rxd4 Kf5 60.Nf2 Rb1+ 61.Kg2 Rb2 62.Kf3 Rb3+ 63.Rd3 Rb2 64.Rd5+ Ke6 65.Rh5 b4 66.Nd3 Rb3 67.Ke4 f3 68.Nc5+ Kd6 69.Nxb3 f2 70.Rf5 Kc6 71.Rxf2 Kb5 72.Ra2 Kc4 73.Rb2 Kc3 74.Rb1 Kc2 75.Nd2 Kxd2 76.Rxb4 Kc3 77.Rb5 Kc4 78.Rh5 Kb4 79.Rxh4 Kc3 80.Rf4 Kd2 81.h4 Ke2 82.h5 Kd2 83.h6 Ke2 84.h7 Kd2 85.h8Q Ke2 86.Qh3 Kd2 87.Rf2+ 1-0 (87) Charles Ingalls (2840)-Zoubkovavila (2762) Blitz 2023; *15...Qc5 16.Rd4 h4 17.Rhd1 Rh5 18.g3 hxg3 19.hxg3 Rh3 20.Qf2 Qg5+ 21.Kb1 Qxg3 22.Qf1 Rh2 23.Rb4 Bh3 24.Qe1 Qxe1 25.Rxe1 b6 26.f4 Be6 27.Bd3 Rh4 28.Rf1 Nd7 29.f5 gxf5 30.exf5 Rxb4 31.fxe6 Rd4 32.Rxf7+ Ke8 33.Bb5* 1-0 (33) Darthmccartney (2825)-Satlan (2727) Blitz 2023) 16.Rd4 Rh5 17.Rb4 b6 18.Rd1 Qg5 19.f4 Qc5 20.Rbd4 Ng4 21.Bxg4 Bxg4 22.Re1 h3 23.g3 e5 24.Rd2 Qxe3 25.Rxe3 Rc6 26.Nd5 Kg7 27.b3 f5 28.exf5 gxf5 29.fxe5 dxe5 30.Rxe5 Rhh6 31.Ne3 Rhe6 32.Nxf5+ Kf6 33.Rxe6+ Rxe6 34.Nd4 Re1+ 35.Kb2 Rg1 36.Rf2+ Ke5 37.Rf4 Bh5 38.Rf5+ Kxd4 39.Rxh5 1-0 (39) Silence404 (2890)-Satlan (2713) Blitz 2024]

15...dxe5 16.Kb1 Rxc3 17.Qxc3 Qxb5 18.Rhe1 Nd7 19.Re4 f6 20.Rb4 Qc5 21.Rxb7 Qxc3 22.bxc3 Kf7 23.Rdxd7 Bxd7 24.Rxd7 a5 25.Ra7 Rc8 26.Rxa5 Rxc3 27.Kb2 Re3 28.a4 Re2 29.Rd5 e4 30.fxe4 Rxe4 31.Kb3 Re1 32.a5 e5 33.c4 e4 34.Rd2 e3 35.Ra2 Rb1+ 36.Kc3 f5 37.a6 Rb8 38.a7 Ra8 39.Kd3 f4 40.Ke4 g5 41.h4 Kf6 42.Ra6+ Kf7 43.Kf3 gxh4 44.Ra2 Ke6 45.Kxf4 Kd6 46.Kxe3 Kc5 47.Kd3 Kb6 48.Kc3 Kb7 49.Kb4 Kc6 50.c5 Kc7 51.Kb5 Kb7 52.c6+ Kc7 53.Kc5 1-0 (53) Muisback (3048)-Mischuk, D (2703) Blitz 2024

66 **8...Bg7** 9.Qd2

[9.Bb3 0-0 10.Qd2 a5 11.a4 Nb4 12.0-0-0 Bd7 13.Bh6 Rc8 14.Kb1 Qc7 15.h4 Qc5 16.g4 Rfd8 17.gxh5 Nxh5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rdg1 e5 20.Nf5+ Bxf5 21.exf5 d5 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.Qg5 Nf4 24.Qxe5+ 1-0 (24) Vistagausta (2856)-Zoubkovavila (2657) Blitz 2023]

9...Ne5

[9...Bd7 10.Nxc6 *(10.0-0 Na5 11.Bd3 Rc8 12.Qe2 a6 13.a4 e5 14.Nb3 Nxb3 15.cxb3 Be6 16.Bc4 0-0 17.Rfd1 Qe7 18.Rd2 Rc6 19.Bg5 Rfc8 20.Rad1 Bxc4 21.bxc4 Rxc4 22.Rxd6 R4c6 23.Qd2 Rxd6 24.Qxd6 Qxd6 25.Rxd6 Rc6 26.Rxc6 bxc6 27.Na2 Nd7 28.Nb4 Nb8 29.Nd3 f6 30.Be3 Bf8 31.Kf2 Kf7 32.Ke2 Ke6 33.Kd2 Nd7 34.Kc3 f5 35.Kc4 fxe4 36.fxe4 Nf6 37.Bc5 Bh6 38.Nb4 Nxe4 39.Nxa6 Nd2+ 40.Kc3 Kd5 41.b4 Ne4+ 42.Kd3*

Nxc5+ 43.Nxc5 Bf8 44.Na6 e4+ 45.Ke2 Kc4 46.a5 Kb5 47.Nc7+ Kxb4 48.a6 Bc5 49.Ne6 Bb6 50.Nf4 Kb5 51.Nxg6 Kxa6 52.Nf4 h4 53.g4 hxg3 54.hxg3 Kb5 55.g4 Kc4 56.g5 Bd4 57.g6 c5 58.Ne6 Be5 59.Ke3 Kd5 60.Nc7+ Kd6 61.Kxe4 Bg7 62.Nd5 Ke6 63.Ne3 Kf6 64.Kd5 Kxg6 65.Kxc5 Bd4+ 66.Kd5 Bxe3 ½-½ (66) Ilikeblitz (2823)-Satlan (2704) Blitz 2024*)* 10...bxc6 11.0-0-0 Qa5 12.h3 h4 13.Bb3 Be6 14.f4 Bxb3 15.cxb3 Rb8 16.Kb1 Nh5 17.Rhe1 Ng3 18.Bd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 0-0 20.f5 Rb4 21.Qe3 Qe5 22.Qh6 Qg7 23.Qxh4 Nxf5 24.Qf2 Nh6 25.g4 f6 26.Qxa7 Rfb8 27.Qd7 R4b6 28.Rc1 R8b7 29.Qc8+ Kh7 30.Na4 Rb8 31.Qe6 Ra6 32.Qc4 Rba8 33.Qe6 Qf7 34.Qxf7+ Nxf7 35.a3 Ne5 36.Re3 c5 37.Nc3 Rb8 38.Nd5 Rb7 39.Rg3 Kg7 40.h4 e6 41.Nf4 Kf7 42.g5 fxg5 43.hxg5 Rab6 44.Ka2 c4 45.b4 Rc6 46.Rh1 Kg8 47.Rgh3 Nf7 48.Nxe6 d5 49.Nd4 Rd6 50.e5 Rd8 51.e6 Nxg5 52.Rh8+ Kg7 53.R1h7+ Nxh7 54.Rxd8 Re7 55.Rd7 Nf6 56.Rxe7+ Kf8 57.Rf7+ Kg8 58.Rxf6 g5 59.Rg6+ Kf8 60.Rxg5 Ke7 61.Rxd5 c3 62.Rc5 cxb2 63.Rc2 b1Q+ 64.Kxb1 Kf6 65.Kb2 Ke7 66.b5 Kf6 67.b6 Ke7 68.b7 Kf6 69.b8Q 1-0 (69) Sapphire Phoenix (2823)-Messi Is Goat (2650) Blitz 2025]

10.Bb3 Bd7 11.0-0-0 Rc8 12.Rhe1

[12.Kb1 a6 13.h3 h4 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.e5 dxe5 17.fxe5 Nh5 18.e6 Bxe6 19.Nxe6 Qxd2 20.Nxg7+ Nxg7 21.Rxd2 Nf5 22.Bf2 0-0 23.Re1 1-0 (23) Brittabagels (2821)-Kosanovic (2594) Blitz 2022]

12...Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.Kb1 a6

[14...Qa5 15.Nb3 Qc7 16.Bg5 Rxc3 17.Qxc3 Qxc3 18.bxc3 Nh7 19.Be3 b6 20.Bd4 Be5 21.Bxe5 dxe5 22.Rd5 Bc6 23.Rd2 Ng5 24.c4 Ne6 25.Kb2 f6 26.a4 a5 27.c5 bxc5 28.Nxa5 Bxa4 29.Ra1 Bd7 30.Nc4 Rf8 31.Ra8+ Kf7 32.Rxf8+ Nxf8 33.Nb6 Be6 34.Ka3 g5 35.Ka4 g4 36.Kb5 c4 37.Nxc4 Bxc4+ 38.Kxc4 Ne6 39.Kb5 gxf3 40.gxf3 Nd4+ 41.Kb6 Nxf3 42.Rd3 Ng5 43.Re3 e6 44.c4 f5 45.exf5 e4 46.h4 Nf3 47.fxe6+ Kxe6 48.Rxe4+ Kf5 49.Re8 Nxh4 50.c5 Ng2 51.c6 Nf4 52.Rf8+ Kg4 53.Rxf4+ Kxf4 54.c7 h4 55.c8Q Kg3 56.Qc3+ Kg2 57.Qd2+ Kg3 58.Qe1+ Kg4 59.Qh1 h3 60.Kc5 Kg3 61.Kd4 h2 62.Ke3 1-0 (62) Bellingol (2814)-Dhfernandez (2748) Blitz 2023]

15.Nde2 b5 16.h3 b4 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Qa5 19.Bd4 Bf5 20.Rc1 Qxd5 21.Red1 Bh6 22.f4 e5 23.Be3 Qxd2 24.Rxd2 exf4 25.Bd4 f3 26.Bxh8 Bxd2 27.gxf3 Bxc1 28.Kxc1 Rxc2+ 29.Kd1 f6 30.Bxf6 Kf7 31.Bd4 Rc4 32.h4 Bd3 33.Bf2 Bxe2+ 34.Kxe2 Rc2+ 35.Kf1 Rxb2 36.Bd4 Rxa2 37.Ke1 b3 38.Kd1 b2 39.Kc2 b1Q+ 40.Kxb1 Rh2 41.Bc3 Rxh4 42.f4 Rxf4 43.Kc2 Rc4 44.Kb2 Rxc3 45.Ka2 Ke6 46.Kb1 d5 47.Kb2 d4 48.Kb1 Kd5 49.Ka1 Kc4 50.Kb2 Kb4 51.Kb1 Kb3 52.Ka1 Rc1# 0-1 (52) Brittabagels (2899)-Birakmandogrumu (2638) Blitz 2023

8...Nxd4 9.Qxd4 Bg7 10.Qd2

[10.0-0-0 0-0 11.Qd2 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.Kb1 Qa5 14.Bd4 Rac8 15.Qe3 b6 16.e5 Nd5 17.Nxd5 Qxd5 18.exd6 Qf5 19.dxe7 Rfe8 20.Bxg7 Qxc2+ 21.Ka1 Kxg7 22.Qxe6 Qc5 23.Rhe1 Rc7 24.a3 Rcxe7 25.Rd7 Rxd7 26.Qxd7+ Re7

27.Qxe7+ Kh6 28.Qxc5 h4 29.Qf8+ Kg5 30.Re5# Normal 1-0 (30) Anahanahana (2820)-Mischuk,D (2697) Blitz 2024]

10...Bd7 11.0-0-0 0-0

[11...b5 12.Nxb5 0-0 13.Nc3 Qc7 14.Bb3 Rfc8 15.Bg5 Qc5 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Nd5 a5 18.Nxf6+ exf6 19.Qxd6 a4 20.Qxc5 Rxc5 21.Bxf7+ Kxf7 22.Rxd7+ Ke6 23.Rhd1 Rac8 24.R7d6+ Ke5 25.R6d5+ Kf4 26.Rxc5 Rxc5 27.b3 h4 28.h3 Kg3 29.Rd2 g5 30.Kb2 Kf4 31.c4 Ke3 32.Rc2 Kd3 33.b4 Rc8 34.c5 Rb8 35.a3 1-0 (35) Thehunteranimal (2818)-Zoubkovavila (2678) Blitz 2023]

12.h3 b5 13.Nxb5 Bxb5 14.Bxb5 Rb8 15.Qd3 a6 16.Bc4 Qa5 17.Bb3 Rfc8 18.Kb1 Nd7 19.Bd4 Ne5 20.Qe2 Qb4 21.Qxa6 Nc4 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Qa7 Rb7 24.Qd4+ Kg8 25.Rd3 Rc5 26.Rhd1 Rbc7 27.f4 e5 28.fxe5 dxe5 29.Qf2 Kg7 30.g4 hxg4 31.hxg4 Na5 32.g5 Nxb3 33.Qf6+ Kh7 34.Rh3+ 1-0 (34) Thehunteranimal (2839)-Zoubkovavila (2707) Blitz 2023

67 **9.Bb3** Bg7

[9...Bh6 10.Bxh6 Rxh6 11.Qd2 Rh8 12.0-0-0 Qb6 13.Nde2 Rc8 14.Kb1 Na5 15.Nf4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Rhe1 Qa6 18.Nfd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bf5 20.Re3 b5 21.a3 Qb7 22.Rde1 Rc7 23.Qd4 Rg8 24.g4 Bc8 25.Ne4 Kf8 26.Ng5 1-0 (26) Silence404 (2891)-Razinioshaazuka (2776) Blitz 2024]

[9...Na5 10.Qe2 Rc8 11.0-0-0 Bg7 12.Kb1 0-0 13.h3 Rxc3 14.bxc3 Qc8 15.g4 Qxc3 16.Bc1 e5 17.Nf5 gxf5 18.gxf5 Nxb3 19.axb3 Rc8 20.Rhg1 Kf8 21.Ba3 Ne8 22.Rxd6 Nxd6 23.Bxd6+ Kg8 24.f6 Qd4 1-0 (24) Warrior211 (2813)-Satlan (2750) Blitz 2024]

10.Qd2 Rc8

[10...0-0 11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.Bh6 b5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.a4 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Qb6 17.0-0-0 Rac8 18.Kb1 Nd7 19.g4 hxg4 20.fxg4 Nc5 21.h4 Ne4 22.Qd4+ Qxd4 23.Rxd4 Nc5 24.Rxb4 Rb8 25.Rxb8 Rxb8 26.Re1 Kf8 27.h5 gxh5 28.gxh5 Nxb3 29.cxb3 Rxb3 30.Rc1 Rb7 31.h6 Kg8 32.Rg1+ Kh7 33.Rg7+ Kxh6 34.Rxf7 Kg6 35.Rf4 Kg5 36.Re4 Kf5 37.Re6 a5 38.Kc2 Rb4 39.Rxe7 Rxa4 40.Re6 Rd4 41.Rxd6 Ke5 42.Ra6 Rxd5 43.Kc3 Rb5 44.b3 Kd5 45.Rg6 Kc5 46.Rg5+ Kc6 47.Rxb5 Kxb5 48.Kb2 a4 49.bxa4+ Kxa4 ½-½ (49) Vistagausta (2851)-Workmouse1 (2730) Blitz 2025]

[10...Rb8 11.0-0-0 Na5 12.Rhe1 b5 13.Nd5 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Bg5 Nxd5 16.exd5 0-0 17.c3 Qa5 18.Kb1 Qxd5 19.Bxe7 Rfe8 20.Qg5 Qb7 21.Qd2 Bxd4 22.cxd4 Ba4 23.Bxd6 c3 24.Qxc3 Rec8 25.Bc5 Bxd1 26.Rxd1 Qd5 27.Re1 Rb7 28.b3 h4 29.Re4 h3 30.g4 a6 31.Re5 Qc6 32.Kb2 Qb5 33.f4 Qf1 34.f5 Qg2+ 35.Ka3 Qxg4 36.fxg6 fxg6 37.Qc4+ Kg7 38.Qd5 Rf7 39.Bd6 Rd8 40.Re4 Qd7 41.Be5+ Kg8 42.Qc4 Qe7+ 43.Kb2 Qd7 44.Rh4 Kf8 45.Qc5+ Re7 46.Bf6 Kf7 47.Bxe7 1-0 (47) Poirot Hercule (2810)-Mischuk,D (2683) Blitz 2024]

11.0-0-0 Na5 12.Qd3

[12.Kb1 0-0 *(12...Rb8 13.Bg5 b5 14.Rhe1 Nc4 15.Qd3 0-0 16.f4 Ng4 17.Qg3 a5 18.h3 a4 19.hxg4 axb3 20.cxb3 Nxb2 21.Kxb2 Bxg4 22.Rd2*

Qb6 23.e5 dxe5 24.Nd5 Qxd4+ 25.Rxd4 exd4 26.Bxe7 Rfd8 27.Nf6+ Normal 1-0 (27) Federicov93 (2839)-Gaius Baltar (2860) Blitz 2024*; 12...Nc4 13.Qe2 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Qb6 15.Qd2 0-0 16.h4 Qc5 17.g4 b5 18.g5 Nh7 19.Nd5 Rfe8 20.Ne2 a5 21.Qxa5 Ra8 22.Qc7 Qf2 23.Qxd7 Qxe2 24.Nxe7+ Kh8 25.Bxf7* 1-0 (25) Warrior211 (2827)-Satlan (2733) Blitz 2024 *)* 13.h3 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.g4 b5 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Qc7 18.gxh5 Bxd4 19.Bxd4 Bf5 20.Ka1 Rxc2 21.Qh6 e5 22.dxe6 fxe6 23.Qh8+ Kf7 24.hxg6+ Ke7 25.g7 Rc8 26.a3 Qb8 27.Rhg1 Rg8 28.Qh4+ Kd7 29.Be5 Rc6 30.Qf6 Qe8 31.Rg2 Qe7 32.h4 Qxf6 33.Bxf6 Ke8 34.h5 Kf7 35.Bc3 Rc4 36.h6 d5 37.Rd4 Rc6 38.Rf4 1-0 (38) Kivurawnuru (2859)-Satlan (2724) Blitz 2023]

12...0-0 13.h3 Nxb3+ 14.axb3 Qa5 15.Kb1 a6 16.g4 Rfd8 17.g5 Nh7 18.Nd5 Kf8 19.f4 e6 20.b4 Qa4 21.Nb6 Qxb4 22.Nxc8 Rxc8 23.Nb3 d5 24.exd5 exd5 25.Qxd5 Bf5 26.Bc5+ 1-0 (26) Anythingbutaverage (2959)-Satlan (2728) Blitz 2024

9.0-0 Bg7 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Qd2 Qa5 12.a3 Kf8 13.b4 Qc7 14.Rad1 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.f4 Ng4 17.Bd4 Bxd4+ 18.Qxd4 Qb6 19.Rf3 Qxd4+ 20.Rxd4 Kg7 21.h3 Nf6 22.e5 Nd5 23.exd6 exd6 24.Ne4 Nxf4 25.Rxd6 Rhf8 26.Rxc6 Ne2+ 27.Kf2 Nd4 28.Rc7+ Kh6 29.Rxf8 Rxf8+ 30.Ke3 Nb5 31.Rc6 Nxa3 32.g4 hxg4 33.hxg4 e5 34.g5+ Kh5 35.Nf6+ Kh4 36.Ke4 Rd8 37.Kxe5 Kxg5 38.c4 Nc2 39.Ne4+ Kh6 40.b5 Re8+ 41.Kf4 Nd4 42.Rd6 Rf8+ 43.Nf6 Nf5 44.Ng4+ Kg7 45.Rd7+ Rf7 46.Rxf7+ Kxf7 47.Ke5 Ke7 48.c5 Kd7 49.Nf6+ Kc8 50.Nd5 Ng7 51.Ne7+ Kb7 52.Nxg6 Ne8 53.Kd5 Nc7+ 54.Kc4 Ne6 55.Ne7 Nc7 56.c6+ Kb8 57.Nd5 Ne8 58.Nf6 Nxf6 59.Kb4 Kc7 60.Ka5 Nd5 61.Ka6 Kb8 62.Ka5 Nc7 63.b6 axb6+ 64.Kxb6 Na8+ 65.Kc5 Kc7 66.Kd5 Nb6+ 67.Kc5 Nc8 68.Kb5 Ne7 69.Kc5 Nxc6 ½-½ (69) Bettercollsoul (2916)-Satlan (2731) Blitz 2024

[68] **9...Na5** 10.Be2 Rc8 11.0-0 Bg7 12.b3 a6 13.Bd3 Nc6 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Bxa6 Ra8 16.Bd3 Qa5 17.Na4 Qxd2 18.Bxd2 c5 19.Nb6 Ra7 20.Bc3 Be6 21.Bc4 0-0 22.a4 Rb8 23.a5 Bxc4 24.Nxc4 Nd7 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Rfd1 Kf6 27.Kf2 Ne5 28.Nb6 Nc6 29.Nd5+ Ke6 30.a6 Kd7 31.Ra4 e6 32.Ne3 Ne5 33.f4 Ng4+ 34.Nxg4 hxg4 35.Kg3 f5 36.e5 d5 37.h3 gxh3 38.gxh3 Rb6 39.Rda1 Kc6 40.Kh4 Rb8 41.Kg5 Rh7 42.a7 Ra8 43.Ra6+ Kb5 44.c3 1-0 (44) Silence404 (2916)-Satlan (2771) Blitz 2024

[69] **11.Qe2** a6 12.0-0 Bg7 13.Rad1 Qc7 14.e5 dxe5 15.Bxe5 Qb6+ 16.Bd4 Qd8 17.Rfe1 0-0 18.Qxe7 Bc6 19.Bc5 Qc8 20.Bb3 Qf5 21.Qe5 Qxe5 22.Rxe5 Rfe8 23.Rde1 Rxe5 24.Rxe5 Bf8 25.Bxf8 Kxf8 26.Kf2 Rd8 27.a4 Rd2+ 28.Re2 Rd4 29.a5 h4 30.Re1 g5 31.Rd1 Rxd1 32.Nxd1 Nd7 33.c3 f6 34.Bc2 Ke7 35.Ne3 Ne5 36.b4 Kd6 37.Nf5+ Kd5 38.Bb3+ 1-0 (38) Ilqar (2816)-Mischuk,D (2775) Blitz 2025

[70] **11...Qa5** 12.Bxf6 exf6 13.Qd5 Qxd5 14.Nxd5 Rc8 15.Bb3 Bg7 16.0-0-0 Be6 17.Kb1 Bxd5 18.Rxd5 Ke7 19.Rhd1 Rhd8 20.a4 Rc5

21.Rxc5 dxc5 22.Rxd8 Kxd8 23.Bxf7 g5 24.Bxh5 Bf8 25.c3 Bd6 26.g3 c4 27.Bf7 Bc5 28.Bxc4 Bg1 29.h4 Bf2 30.h5 Ke7 31.h6 Kf8 32.g4 1-0 (32) Smilingcat11 (2863)-Scofieldmike (2606) Blitz 2024

[71] **12.Rd1** e6 13.0-0 Bf4 14.Kh1 a6 15.Bf2 Be5 16.f4 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Bc6 18.Bh4 Bxe4 19.Qd4 Kg7 20.Bb3 Bf5 21.c4 Qe7 22.h3 Rac8 23.Rd2 b5 24.cxb5 axb5 25.Rdf2 Rc5 26.Kg1 Rfc8 27.Re2 Rc3 28.Rfe1 R8c7 29.Kh2 R3c5 30.Kg1 Qd8 31.Kh2 Rc8 32.Kg1 Qe7 33.Bg5 Rc3 34.Kh2 R8c7 35.Kg1 R3c6 36.Re3 Rc5 37.Kh1 Rc8 38.R1e2 R5c6 39.Kh2 Rc5 40.Kg1 Qd8 41.Bh4 R5c6 42.Bg5 Rc5 43.Bh4 Qe7 44.c3 R8c7 45.Bg5 Rc8 46.Re1 R5c7 47.Rf1 Rc5 48.Rff3 R8c7 49.Rf2 R7c6 50.Rfe2 Rc8 51.Kh2 Ra8 52.Re1 Rac8 53.R1e2 Qd8 54.Rf2 Qe7 55.Kh1 R5c6 56.Kg1 Rc5 57.Kh1 Qd8 58.Kg1 Qe7 59.Kh2 R8c7 60.Rfe2 Ra7 61.Kg1 Rac7 62.Kh2 Ra7 63.Kg1 Rac7 64.Re1 Qd8 65.Ra1 Qe7 66.Rae1 Qd8 67.Rf1 Qe7 68.Kh2 Rb7 69.Kh1 Ra7 70.Rf2 Rac7 71.Kh2 R7c6 72.Rfe2 Ra6 73.Kg1 Rac6 74.Kh1 Rc7 75.Re1 R7c6 76.Kg1 Rc7 77.Kh1 R5c6 78.Rg1 Rc8 79.Rf1 Rc5 80.Kg1 R8c7 81.Bh4 Rd7 82.Ree1 Qd8 83.Re2 Rc8 84.Re3 Rdc7 85.Bg5 Rc5 86.Kh1 Ra8 87.Rg1 Qe7 88.Rge1 Rac8 89.Kg1 R8c6 90.Bh4 Rc8 91.Kh1 Re8 92.Bg5 ½-½ (92) LCZero v0.26.3-rc1_T60.SV.JH. (3542)-Stockfish Nn Bae tcec-chess.com INT 2020

[72] **14.Rad1** Kh7 15.a4 Rc8 16.Bb5 a6 17.Bxc6 Rxc6 18.Kh1 Nd7 19.h3 Rc8 20.Be3 Rc6 21.Bd4 Rc8 22.Rf3 Qa5 23.Qe2 Kg8 24.Qf2 Rc4 25.Rf1 Rcc8 26.f5 Ne5 27.Rg3 Kh7 28.Be3 Bxe3 29.Qxe3 Rg8 30.Rg5 Qb4 31.Qc1 Rg7 32.f6 Rgg8 33.Rf4 Nd7 34.Qd1 Rc5 35.Qxd6 Qxb2 36.Rxc5 Nxc5 37.Rf3 Nxa4 38.Ne2 Qxc2 39.Qe7 Qxe2 40.Qxf7+ Kh8 41.Qxe6 Nc5 42.Qe5 Qd1+ 43.Kh2 Nd7 44.Qg3 Nxf6 45.Rxf6 Qd4 46.e5 Kh7 47.Rd6 Qc4 48.e6 Rg7 ½-½ (48) LCZero 0.31-dag-c93c6a8-BT4-6 (3652)-Berserk tcec-chess.com INT 2025

[73] **7.Qd2** 0-0

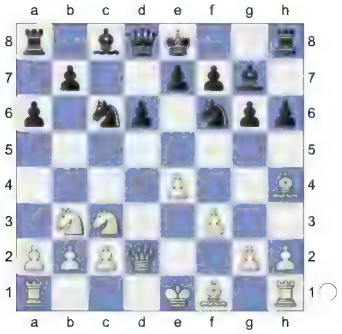
[7...Ng4

A) 8.Bg5 h6 *(8...Nc6 - 95/159; 8...Qb6 9.Nb3 a5 10.Nd5 Qc6 11.Bb5 a4 12.Bxc6+ bxc6 13.Nc7+ Kd8 14.Nxa8 axb3 15.axb3 Na6 16.Qxd6+ Bd7 17.Rxa6 f6 18.Qb8+ Bc8 19.Rxc6 Ke8 20.Rxc8+ Kf7 21.Rxh8 Nxf2 22.Qg8#* 1-0 (22) Dr Blindpew (2815)-Mischuk,D (2736) Blitz 2024 *)* 9.Bh4 Nc6 *(9...g5 10.Bg3 Nc6 11.Nf5 Bxf5 12.exf5 Qa5 13.Bd3 Rc8 14.0-0 Nge5 15.a3 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Ne5 17.Bxe5 Bxe5 18.Nd5 Qc5 19.c3 Qc4 20.Qf3 g4 21.Qd1 h5 22.Re1 Kf8 23.Qd2 Rc5 24.Rad1 h4 25.b4 Rc6 26.Rxe5 dxe5 27.Qg5 f6 28.Qg6 Rd6* 0-1 (28) Dmitrijiiigm (2813)-Yakamuzosan (2742) Blitz 2025 *)* 10.Nb3

A1) 10...Be6 11.Be2 0-0 12.0-0 g5 13.Bg3 Rc8 14.h4 Qa5 15.hxg5 Qxg5 16.Bf4 Qh5 17.f3 Nge5 18.Rad1 Ng6 19.Be3 Nce5 20.Nd4 Bc4 21.Nf5 Bxe2 22.Qxe2 e6 23.Nxg7 Kxg7 24.Rxd6 Nc4

25.Rd7 Nxe3 26.Qxe3 Rc5 27.Qd4+ Qe5 28.Qxe5+ Nxe5 29.Rxb7 a5 30.Rf2 Rd8 31.Rb5 Rxb5 32.Nxb5 Rd1+ 33.Kh2 Nc4 34.b3 Ne3 35.c4 f5 36.Kg3 Kf6 37.Kf4 Nf1 38.e5+ Kf7 39.g4 fxg4 40.fxg4 Nd2 41.Nc3 Kg6 42.Nxd1 1-0 (42) Elconceto (2890)-Vistagausta (2903) Blitz 2022;

A2) 10...Nf6 11.f3 a6 Diagram *(11...Bd7; 11...0-0)*



12.Be2N *(12.0-0-0)* 12...0-0 13.Bf2 Na5 *(13...Be6!?)*

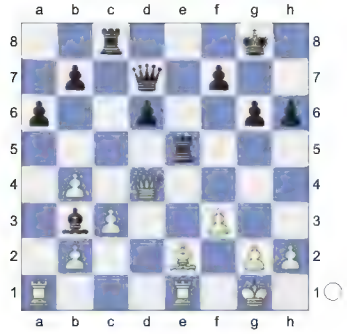
A2a) 14.Be3 h5 15.Na4 Nxb3 16.axb3 b5 *(16...Nd7!?)* 17.Nb6 Rb8 18.Nxc8 Qxc8 19.0-0 Rd8∞;

A2b) 14.0-0-0!?;

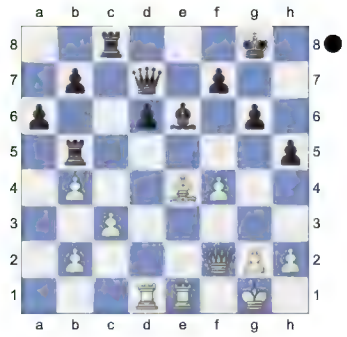
A2c) 14.0-0 Be6 *(14...b5!?)* 15.Nd5 Nxb3 16.axb3 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.c3 e5 19.dxe6 Bxe6 20.b4 Re8 21.Rfe1 Qd7 22.Bd4 Rac8 *(22...Bxd4+ 23.Qxd4 Bb3!?)* 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Rad1 Bb3

A2c1) 25.Qxd6 Qa4 *(25...Qxd6 26.Rxd6 Rc7 27.Kf2 Rce7 28.Rd4 h5⩲)* 26.Ra1 Rxe2 27.Rxa4 Rxe1+ 28.Kf2 Rce8 29.Qd4+ Kh7⩲;

A2c2) 25.Qd4+ Kg8 26.Ra1 Re5?! Diagram *(26...Re6 27.Bd3 Rce8=; 26...d5!?=)*



27.f4! Rd5?! *(27...Re7 28.Bf3↑)* 28.Qf2± [xd5] h5 29.Bf3 Rb5 *(⌓29...Rf5)* 30.Be4 *(30.Qd4!?)* 30...Be6?! *(30...Re8±)* 31.Rad1 Diagram *(⌓31.Bc2)*



31...Qc7? *(31...Bg4)* 32.Bxg6+- Bg4 33.Bd3 Bxd1 34.Bxb5 axb5 35.Rxd1 Re8 36.Rd5 Qc4 37.Rxh5 Qd3 38.Qg3+ Qxg3 39.hxg3 Re2 40.Rxb5 Rxb2 41.Rxb7 d5 42.Rd7 1-0 (42) Carlsen,M (2847)-Jones,B (2670) chess24.com (Int.-rapid) 148/67 2021 Chess Informant 148 [Paunovic, Tomislav];

A3) 10...0-0 11.f3 Nge5 12.Be2 Be6 13.Nd5 a5 14.a4 Rc8 15.0-0 g5 16.Bf2 Bxd5 17.exd5

Nb4 18.c3 Na6 19.Nd4 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Nf5 Qd7 22.Nxg7 Kxg7 23.Bd4+ f6 24.f4 Qf5 25.Rae1 Rf7 26.fxg5 Qxg5 27.Re3 Kf8 28.Qe2 Rxd4 29.cxd4 Qxd5 30.Qg4 f5 31.Qh4 Ke8 32.Rfe1 e5 33.Rxe5+ dxe5 34.Rxe5+ Qxe5 35.dxe5 1-0 (35) Winx,M (2842)-Yakamuzosan (2689) Blitz 2023;

A4) 10...a5 11.Bb5 0-0 12.0-0-0 Be6 13.Kb1 a4 14.Nxa4 Nge5 15.Qe2 Rxa4 16.Bxa4 Qa8 17.Bb5 Rc8 18.a3 Na5 19.Nd4 Bc4 20.Bxc4 Naxc4 21.f4 Nxb2 22.fxe5 Qxa3 23.Nb5 Nxd1 24.Nxa3 Nc3+ 25.Kc1 Nxe2+ 26.Kd2 Nc3 27.Kd3 Bxe5 28.Bxe7 Na4 29.Nc4 Nc5+ 30.Ke3 Ne6 31.Bxd6 Bxd6 32.Nxd6 Rxc2 33.g3 Rc3+ 34.Kd2 Rb3 35.Rc1 Kf8 36.Rc4 Ke7 37.e5 h5 38.Ke2 f6 39.Nc8+ Kf7 40.Nd6+ Ke7 41.Nc8+ Kf8 42.exf6 Rb2+ 43.Ke3 Rb1 44.Nd6 Re1+ 45.Kf2 Nc5 46.Kxe1 b6 47.Kf2 g5 48.Ke3 Kg8 49.Rxc5 bxc5 50.Ke4 h4 51.Kf5 g4 52.Kg6 hxg3 53.hxg3 Kf8 54.f7 c4 55.Kf6 c3 56.Nf5 c2 57.Ng7 c1B 58.Ne6# 1-0 (58) Yarebore (2894)-Neslracsungam77 (2876) Blitz 2020;

B) 8.0-0-0 Nxe3 9.Qxe3 0-0 10.h4 Nc6 11.Nb3 h5 12.Be2 Kh7 13.Kb1 Bh6 14.f4 Bd7 15.g4 Rc8 16.gxh5 gxh5 17.Qf2 Bg4 18.Bxg4 hxg4 19.Qg3 Qd7 20.Rd5 e6 21.Rh5 f5 22.exf5 exf5 23.Qd3 Kg6 24.Rg5+ Bxg5 25.hxg5 Rh8 26.Rg1 Rh3 27.Qd2 Re8 28.Nc5 Qe7 29.Nxb7 Qxb7 30.Qxd6+ Kg7 31.Qf6+ Kg8 32.Qg6+ Kf8 33.Qxf5+ Qf7 34.Qxg4 Rhe3 35.b3 Rxc3 36.f5 Qd5 37.Qh3 Rxh3 0-1 (37) Ivk88 (2893)-Feokl1995 (2938) Blitz 2021;

C) 8.Be2 Nxe3 9.Qxe3 Nc6 10.Nb3 0-0 11.f4 a5 12.Bb5 Nb4 13.Qf2 a4 14.Nxa4 Qc7 15.0-0 Qxc2 16.Qxc2 Nxc2 17.Rac1 Nd4 18.Nxd4 Bxd4+ 19.Kh1 Ra5 20.Rc4 Ba7 21.Rb4 Bc5 22.Nxc5 dxc5 23.Rb3 Be6 24.Bd3 Bxb3 25.axb3 Ra2 26.Rb1 Rd8 27.Bc4 Rd2 0-1 (27) May6Enexttime (3012)-Norolex (2861) Blitz 2022]

8.0-0-0

[8.Bh6 Bxh6 9.Qxh6 Nc6 10.0-0-0 *(10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.0-0-0 Qb6 12.f3 Be6 13.h4 Rab8 14.b3 Qa5 15.Kb2 c5 16.Qd2 Qc7 17.h5 c4 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.g4 Rf7 20.g5 Nh5 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.f4 cxb3 23.axb3 Bg4 24.Ra1 Qc5 25.f5 Kg7 26.Ra4 e5 27.f6+ Kh8 28.Bc4 Rc7 29.g6 Qxc4 30.Rxc4 Rxc4 31.Qh6 Rc7 32.f7* 1-0 (32) Dudewithabigflute (2813)-Hungzhao (2700) Blitz 2021*)* 10...Nxd4 11.Rxd4 Qb6 12.Qd2 Be6 13.h4 h5 14.f3 Rac8 15.g4 hxg4 16.h5 Rxc3 17.Qxc3 Rc8 18.Bc4 Rxc4 19.Rxc4 Bxc4 20.Qxc4 Qe3+ 21.Kb1 Qxf3 22.Qc8+ Kg7 23.h6+ Kh7 24.Rc1 Nxe4 25.Qf8 Qf6 26.Re1 Nd2+ 27.Ka1 Nc4 28.c3 Ne5 29.a3 b5 30.Re2 a5 31.Rf2 Nf3 32.Rg2 Ne5 33.Rf2 Nf3 34.Rg2 Qe5 35.Rxg4 Qe1+ 36.Ka2 Qe6+ 37.Ka1 Qe1+ 38.Ka2 Qe6+ 39.c4 1-0 (39) Brown Player (2888)-Hungzhao (2727) Blitz 2021]

[8.Bc4 Ng4 9.Bg5 Nc6 10.Nxc6

bxc6 11.h3 Nf6 12.0-0 Be6 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Rad1 Nd7 15.b3 Qa5 16.Na4 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Kf7 18.Be3 c5 19.Rfd1 h6 20.Rd4 cxd4 0-1 (20) Sekolah Catur Papua (2839)-Wuzhaobing (2619) Blitz 2024]

8...Ng4 9.Bg5 Nc6 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.f3 Ne5 12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Rb8 14.h4 Qb6 15.b3 Qc5 16.Kb2 f6 17.Qd2 Be6 18.Na4 Qb4 19.Qxb4 Rxb4 20.Nc3 Rfb8 21.Be2 a5 22.f4 Ng4 23.Bxg4 Bxg4 24.Rd2 h5 25.Re1 Kf7 26.g3 Ke8 27.a3 R4b7 28.e5 fxe5 29.fxe5 d5 30.Na4 e6 31.Kc3 Rf7 32.Re3 Rb5 33.Kd4 Ke7 34.Nc5 Rf1 35.c3 Rb8 36.b4 axb4 37.cxb4 Rbf8 38.a4 Rc1 39.Rc3 Rb1 40.Na6 Ra8 41.Rxc6 Re1 42.b5 Re4+ 43.Kc5 Rxa4 44.Rc7+ Ke8 45.Rh7 Rc4+ 46.Kb6 Rac8 47.Rf2 Bf5 48.Nc7+ Kd8 49.Nxe6+ Ke8 50.Nc7+ Kd8 51.Rh8+ Kd7 52.Rxc8 Kxc8 53.Nxd5 Be6 54.Ne7+ Kd7 55.Nc6 Rg4 56.Rd2+ Ke8 57.Rd8+ Kf7 58.Rd3 Bc4 59.Re3 Ke6 60.Ka5 Bf1 61.b6 Rc4 62.b7 Rc5+ 63.Kb6 Rb5+ 64.Kc7 1-0 (64) Jepetto (3047)-Sina Iran (2826) Blitz 2022

[74] **7...Nc6** 8.Nxc6

[8.Qd2

A) 8...Ng4 9.Bxg4 Bxg4 10.f3 Bd7 11.0-0-0 Ne5 12.b3 Qa5 13.Kb1 Rc8 14.Nd5 Qxd2 *(14...Qa3 15.c4 e6 16.Nc3 a6 17.Nc2 Nxc4 18.Nxa3 Nxa3+ 19.Kb2 Nb5 20.Rc1 Rxc3 21.Rxc3 Bxc3+ 22.Qxc3 Nxc3 23.Kxc3 Ke7 24.Kb4 Rc8 25.Rc1 a5+ 26.Ka3 Bc6 27.Kb2 Kd7 28.Bb6 Ra8 29.a4 Ra6 30.Be3 b5 31.axb5 Bxb5 32.Ra1 d5 33.exd5 exd5 34.Bd2 a4 35.bxa4 Rxa4 36.Rxa4 Bxa4 37.Kc3 Ke6 38.Kd4 Bb5 39.Ke3 Bf1 40.g3 Kd6 41.Bc3 Kc5 42.Bd4+ Kc4 43.Bg7 Bd3 44.Bf6 Bf5 45.h4 h6 46.g4 Be6 47.g5 h5 48.Be5 Kb3 49.Kd2 Kc4 50.Ke3 Bd7 51.Bf6 Ba4 52.Be5 Kb5 53.Kd4 Kc6 54.Bg3 Bd1 55.f4 Bf3 56.Bf2 Kd6 57.Be1 Ke6 58.Ke3 Be4 59.Bf2 Kf5 60.Be1 Kg4 61.Bf2 Kh3 62.Be1 Kg2 63.Bc3 Kg3 64.Be1+ Kg2 65.Bb4 Bf5 66.Bc3 Be6 67.Bd2 Kg3 68.Be1+ Kg4 69.Bf2 d4+ 70.Kxd4 Kxf4 71.Be1 Kf3 72.Ke5 Ke2 73.Bc3 Kf3 74.Bd2 Kg4 75.Be1 Kh3 76.Kf4 Kg2 77.Bd2 Kh1 78.Kg3 Kg1 79.Bf4 Kh1 80.Be5 Kg1 81.Bf6 Kh1 82.Be7 Kg1 83.Bd6 Kh1 84.Bc5 Bf5 85.Bd4 Be6 86.Be3 Bd5 87.Bf2 Be6 88.Kf4 Bd5 89.Ke5 Be6 90.Be3 Kg2 91.Kf4 Kh3 92.Bf2 Kg2 93.Bg3 Kh3 94.Be1 Kg2 95.Bd2 Kh3 96.Be1* ½-½ (96) Kelevra317 (2837)-Smurf42 (2686) Blitz 2019) 15.Rxd2 e6 16.Nf4 b5 17.Nde2 Ke7 18.Bxa7 Ra8 19.Bd4 Ra6 20.Nd3 Rha8 21.Nxe5 Rxa2 22.Nxd7 Ra1+ 23.Kb2 R8a2+ 24.Kc3 Bxd4+ 25.Nxd4 Rxh1 26.Nb6 Ra6 27.Nc6+ Kf6 28.Nd7+ Kg5 29.Nd8 Rxh2 30.Nxf7+ Kf4 31.Nxd6 Kg3 32.Ne5 Rxg2 33.Rd3 b4+ 34.Kxb4 Rxc2 35.Ndc4 g5 36.Rd7 h5 37.Rg7 Kf4 38.Nd3+ Kxf3 39.Ne1+ Kxe4 40.Nxc2 Kf5 41.Rf7+ Kg4 42.N2e3+ Kh3 43.Rh7 Kh4 44.Ne5 Rb6+ 45.Kc4 Rb8 46.Nf3+ Kg3 47.Nxg5 Kf4 48.Nxe6+ Kxe3 49.Rxh5 Rc8+

50.Rc5 Re8 51.Nc7 Rb8 52.b4 Ke4 53.b5 Ke3 54.b6 Ke4 55.Kb5 Rb7 56.Kc6 Rb8 57.b7 Kd4 58.Rh5 Rg8 59.Kb6 Rg6+ 60.Ka7 1-0 (60) Kelevra317 (2843)-Smurf42 (2680) Blitz 2019;

B) 8...Nxd4 9.Bxd4 Be6 10.h4 h5 11.0-0-0 a6 12.Kb1 b5 13.f3 Rc8 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 0-0 16.g4 hxg4 17.fxg4 Ne4 18.Qe3 Bxd4 19.Rxd4 Nf6 20.h5 Qb6 21.Qh6 1-0 (21) Bakayoyo (2844)-Norolex (2836) Blitz 2022]

8...bxc6 9.Qd3 a5 10.0-0-0 Ba6 11.Qd2 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Qb8 13.f4 Nxe4 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxe4 Bf6 16.Qxc6+ Kf8 17.g4 h6 18.h4 Qc8 19.Qxc8+ Rxc8 20.Nd5 Bg7 21.h5 g5 22.fxg5 hxg5 23.Rhf1 e6 24.Ne3 Be5 25.Kb1 Ke7 26.b3 d5 27.Rfe1 f6 28.c4 d4 29.Nc2 Rhd8 30.Re4 d3 31.Ne1 d2 32.Nf3 Bc3 33.Kc2 Bb4 34.Nxd2 Rd7 35.Nf3 Rxd1 36.Kxd1 Rd8+ 37.Ke2 Kf7 38.Rd4 Ra8 39.Rd7+ Kg8 40.Nd4 a4 41.Nxe6 Re8 42.Rd8 1-0 (42) Coachpotato11 (2863)-Ggangbuvip (2723) Blitz 2025

[75] **8.h4** Nc6 9.h5 Bd7 10.hxg6 hxg6 11.Qd2 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Re8 13.0-0-0 b5 14.Kb1 e5 15.Be3 b4 16.Nd5 Nxe4 17.Qxb4 Bf5 18.g4 Rb8 19.Qa4 Qd7 20.Qxd7 Bxd7 21.Bf3 f5 22.gxf5 Bxf5 23.Be2 Kf8 24.Bd3 Rec8 25.Rh7 a5 26.a4 Kg8 27.Ne7+ Kf7 28.Nxc8 Rxc8 29.Bh6 Rg8 30.Bc4+ Be6 31.Bxe6+ Kxe6 32.Rxg7 1-0 (32) Seanser (2954)-Yakamuzosan (2768) Blitz 2023

8.f3 Nc6 9.0-0

[9.g4 Be6 *(9...Qa5 10.Qd2 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Be6 12.h4 h5 13.gxh5 Nxh5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Rg1 Rac8 16.Rg5 Rc5 17.Qd4+ Nf6 18.b4* 1-0 (18) Ilqar (2870)-Literal Bagel (2705) Blitz 2025*)* 10.Qd2 d5 11.0-0-0 *(11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 exd5 14.0-0-0 d4 15.Bf2 Qd5 16.Kb1 e5 17.h4 Rxf3 18.Bxf3 Qxf3 19.Rdf1 Rf8 20.g5 Qd5 21.Be1 Rxf1 22.Rxf1 e4 23.Qe2 h5 24.gxh6 Bxh6 25.h5 Qxh5 26.Qc4+ Kh7 27.Qf7+ Bg7 28.a3 Ne5 29.Qxb7 d3 30.cxd3 Qh3 31.Rf2 Qxd3+ 32.Ka2 e3 33.Qh1+ Bh6 34.Rh2 Nf7 35.Bc3 Qf5 36.Qc6 Qf4 37.Rh1 Nd8 38.Qa8 Qf7+ 39.b3 Qe7 40.Qd5 Nf7 41.a4 e2 42.Qc4 Qd7 43.Rh2 e1Q 44.Bxe1 Ne5 45.Qe4 Nf7 46.Bc3 a6 47.Bb2 a5 48.Rh1 Qd8 49.Qe6 Qf8 50.Qf6 Qg8 51.Qe7 g5 52.Rf1 Qf8 53.Rxf7+ Kg8 54.Rxf8+ Bxf8 55.Qe8 Kh7 56.Qh5+ Kg8 57.Qg6+ Bg7 58.Qxg7#* 1-0 (58) Reinforcementtrial (2882)-Frozenightengine (2573) Blitz 2023*)* 11...dxe4 12.Nxe6 Qxd2+ 13.Rxd2 fxe6 14.fxe4 Ne5 15.h3 Rac8 16.g5 Ne8 17.Nb5 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Bxa7 Rxe4 20.Bc5 Re5 21.b4 b6 22.Bxe7 Rxb5 23.Bxf8 Bxf8 24.Rd8 Nd6 25.c3 Rxg5 26.Rd1 Nf7 27.Rb8 b5 28.c4 bxc4 29.b5 Rd5 30.a4 Kg7 31.Rxd5 exd5 32.a5 d4 33.a6 Ba3+ 34.Kb1 d3 35.a7 d2 36.Kc2 1-0 (36) Tuzakli Egitim (2892)-Ignathor (2739) Blitz 2025]

9...d5

[9...a6 10.Qd2 Bd7 11.Rad1 b5 12.a3 Re8 13.Nd5 Rc8 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.c3 Qc7 17.Bd4 Bxd4+ 18.Qxd4 Bd7 19.h4 Qc5 20.Kf2 Be6 21.Ke3 Bb3 22.Rd2 Qh5 23.g3 Bc4 24.Bxc4 Rxc4 25.Qd5 Qh6+ 26.Kf2 Rc5

27.Qd3 Rec8 28.Qe3 Qxe3+ 29.Kxe3 h5 30.Rfd1 Kg7 31.Rd5 Kf6 32.Rxc5 Rxc5 33.Rd4 ½-½ (33) Dr Durkenstein (2844)-Unicorn7Love (2563) Blitz 2021]

10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.e5 Nd7 12.f4 Qa5 13.Qd2 e6 14.a3 Ba6 15.Rad1 Bxe2 16.Nxe2 Qc7 17.c3 c5 18.b4 a5 19.Rc1 Rfc8 20.Bf2 Bf8 21.c4 dxc4 22.Rxc4 axb4 23.axb4 Nb6 24.Rc2 c4 25.b5 Nd5 26.Qd4 c3 27.Rb1 Ra3 28.f5 Qb7 29.fxg6 hxg6 30.Qe4 Qa8 31.b6 Ra1 32.Rxa1 Qxa1+ 33.Rc1 Qa5 34.b7 Rb8 35.g3 Rxb7 36.Nxc3 Rc7 37.Ne2 Rxc1+ 38.Nxc1 Qa1 39.Qe1 Bb4 40.Qf1 Qxe5 41.Nd3 Qc3 42.Qe2 Be7 43.Ne5 Bf6 44.Nf3 Kg7 45.Kg2 Ne7 46.h4 Qc6 47.Kh2 Qd5 48.Nd2 Nf5 49.Ne4 Bd4 50.Be1 Ne3 51.Qf3 Qa2+ 52.Kh3 Nd5 53.Bf2 Be5 54.h5 gxh5 55.Ng5 Nf6 56.Be3 Qd5 57.Qxd5 exd5 58.Nf3 Bd6 59.Bd4 Kg6 60.Kg2 Ne4 61.Kf1 f5 62.Kg2 Bxg3 63.Be5 h4 64.Bxg3 hxg3 65.Ne5+ Kg5 66.Nd3 Kg4 67.Ne1 Kf4 68.Nf3 Ke3 69.Nh4 d4 70.Nxf5+ Kd3 71.Ne7 Ke2 72.Nd5 d3 73.Nf4+ Ke3 74.Nd5+ Kd2 75.Nf4 Kc3 76.Kf3 d2 77.Ne2+ Kc2 78.Nd4+ Kd3 79.Ne2 d1Q 80.Kg2 Qxe2+ 81.Kh3 Qe3 82.Kg4 Qf3+ 83.Kxf3 Kd2 84.Kg2 Kd1 85.Kh3 Kd2 86.Kg2 Kc2 87.Kh3 Kd3 88.Kg2 Kd4 89.Kh3 Kd5 90.Kg2 Ke5 91.Kh3 Ke6 92.Kg2 Ke5 0-1 (92) The Old Pacifist (2912)-Loin Sn (2764) Blitz 2022

8.h3 Nc6 9.Nb3 Be6 10.f4 Nd7 11.0-0 Nb6 12.Kh1 Rc8 13.f5 Bd7 14.Rb1 Ne5 15.Bd4 Nbc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Qe2 b5 18.Nd5 e6 19.f6 exd5 20.fxg7 Kxg7 21.exd5 Bf5 22.Rbc1 Qc7 23.c3 f6 24.Rxf5 gxf5 25.Rf1 Qf7 26.Nd2 Rc7 27.Rxf5 Qxd5 28.Nf1 b4 29.Ne3 Qe6 30.Qh5 bxc3 31.bxc3 Qxa2 32.Rf4 Kh8 33.Nf5 Rg8 34.Rf2 Qb1+ 35.Kh2 Qe4 36.Qh6 Rf7 37.Nxd6 Rxg2+ 38.Rxg2 Nf3+ 39.Kg3 Rg7+ 40.Qxg7+ Kxg7 41.Nxe4 1-0 (41) Maciek (2812)-Quick Mate (2697) Blitz 2022

[76] **8...d5** 9.e5 Ne4 10.Nxe4 dxe4 11.0-0-0

[11.e6 f5 12.0-0-0 f4 13.Nb5 Qxd2+ 14.Bxd2 Nc6 15.Rhe1 a6 16.Nc7 Ra7 17.Bg4 h5 18.Bh3 g5 19.g3 b5 20.Nd5 e3 21.fxe3 f3 22.Kb1 g4 23.Bf1 Bxe6 24.Nf4 Bf7 25.Nd3 Rd7 26.Nf2 Rfd8 27.Bc1 Ne5 28.Rxd7 Rxd7 29.h3 Be6 30.hxg4 hxg4 31.b3 Bf5 32.e4 Be6 33.Be3 Nc6 34.Nd3 Bd4 35.Bxd4 Rxd4 36.Kc1 Kg7 37.Kd2 Nb4 38.Kc3 Nxd3 39.Bxd3 Rd8 40.Kd2 Rh8 41.Ke3 Rh2 42.Rf1 Kf6 43.Kf4 Bd7 44.e5+ Kg7 45.c4 b4 46.c5 Rd2 47.Bc4 Rxa2 48.e6 Bc6 49.Kxg4 Rc2 50.Kf4 Rxc4+ 51.bxc4 a5 52.Ke3 b3 53.Kd3 a4 54.Kc3 Kf6 55.Re1 Kg5 56.Kb4 Kg4 57.Rd1 Kxg3 58.Rd7 f2 59.Rxe7 f1Q 60.Rg7+ Kf2 61.Rf7+ Bf3 62.e7 Qe1+ 63.Kb5 Qe6 64.Rg7 b2 65.e8Q b1Q+ 66.Kxa4 Qxe8+ 67.Ka5 Qa8+ 0-1 (67) Yarebore (2814)-Theredking89 (2684) Blitz 2021]

11...Bxe5 12.Qb4 Qd6 13.Qc4 Qf6 14.h4 Nc6 15.h5 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Be6 17.Qc3 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Qxd4 19.Rxd4 f5 20.f3 Rfd8 21.Rb4 Bd5 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.fxe4 Bxe4 24.Bf3 Bxf3 25.gxf3 b6 26.Rbh4 Kf7 27.Rh7+ Kf6 28.Re1 e5 29.Rc7 Rd6 30.Rh1 Re6 31.Rhh7 Kg5 32.Kd2 a5 33.Ke3 Rd8 34.Rh1 f4+ 35.Kf2 e4 36.Rg1+ Kf6 37.fxe4 Rxe4 38.Rc6+ Kf5 39.Rgxg6

Rd2+ 40.Kf1 Ree2 41.Rcf6+ Ke4 42.Rxb6 Rh2 43.Rge6+ Kf3 44.Rb3+ Kg4 45.Kg1 Rhg2+ 46.Kf1 Rh2 47.Ke1 Rxc2 48.Kd1 Rxb2 49.Rxb2 Rxb2 50.a3 Ra2 51.Ke1 Kf3 52.Rh6 Ra1+ 53.Kd2 Kg3 54.Rg6+ Kf2 55.Rf6 f3 56.Kc2 Rxa3 57.Kb2 Re3 58.Kc2 Re2+ 59.Kd3 Re5 60.Kd2 Re8 61.Rf7 Rd8+ 62.Kc3 Ke2 63.Re7+ Kf1 64.Rf7 f2 65.Kc2 Rg8 66.Kd2 Kg2 67.Re7 f1Q 68.Kc3 Qf3+ 69.Kd4 Rd8+ 70.Kc5 Qd5+ 71.Kb6 Rb8+ 72.Ka6 Qa8+ 73.Ra7 Qc6+ 74.Kxa5 Qb5#

0-1 (74) Yarebore (2851)-Theredking89 (2609) Blitz 2020

8...a6 9.0-0-0 b5 10.Bf3 b4 [10...e5 11.Nb3 Ne8 12.Nd5 Nd7 13.h4 a5 14.a3 a4 15.Na1 Nc5 16.h5 Be6 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Bg5 Nf6 19.Nxf6+ Bxf6 20.Bh6 Rc8 21.Qxd6 Bg5+ 22.Bxg5 Qxg5+ 23.Kb1 Rfd8 24.Qb6 Qe7 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.Qxb5 Qd6 27.Qb4 Rb8 28.Qc3 Bf7 29.Kc1 Qe6 30.Qxc5 Qa2 31.Kd2 Rd8+ 32.Ke3 Qxb2 33.Rd1 Rxd1 34.Bxd1 1-0 (34) Kelevra317 (2826)-Lonerider (2625) Blitz 2019] 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 a5 13.h4 h5 14.Bh6 Bf6 15.Rhg1 b3 16.cxb3 a4 17.b4 a3 18.b3 Bg4 19.Bxg4 hxg4 20.Bxf8 Qxf8 21.Nc6 Qg7 22.Kb1 Nd7 23.Rge1 Ne5 24.b5 Bxh4 25.b6 Nd3 26.b7 Re8 27.Re2 Nc5 28.b8Q Rxb8 29.Nxb8 Qf6 30.Nc6 Bg5 31.Qc2 Qf4 32.b4 Nd7 33.Re4 Qf6 34.Rxe7 Nb6 35.Re8+ Kg7 36.Ne7 Na4 37.Rg8+ Kh7 38.Rh1+ Bh4 39.Rxh4+ Qxh4 40.Qxa4 Qxe7 41.Qe8 Qf6 42.Rh8+ Qxh8 43.Qxh8+ Kxh8 44.b5 Kg7 45.g3 Kf6 46.b6 Ke5 47.b7 Ke4 48.b8Q Kf3 49.Qb3+ Kxf2 50.Qxa3 f5 51.Qb3 g5 52.a4 f4 53.gxf4 gxf4 54.a5 g3 55.a6 g2 56.Qb6+ Kf1 57.a7 f3 58.a8Q f2 59.Qaa6+ Kg1 60.Qe2 Kh1 61.Qbxf2 g1Q+ 62.Qxg1+ Kxg1 63.Qe6 Kh1 64.Qxd6 Kg1 65.Qe6 Kh1 66.d6 Kg1 67.d7 Kh1 68.d8Q Kg1 69.Qde7 Kh1 70.Q7f7 Kg1 71.Qee8 Kh1 72.Qeg8 Kh2 73.Qfh7#

1-0 (73) BabaRamdev (2847)-Vladimirovich9000 (2887) Blitz 2021

77 **9.f3** Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6 11.h4 h5 12.g4 hxg4 13.h5 gxf3 14.Bxf3 Qa5 15.h6 Bh8 16.h7+ Nxh7 17.Qh6

1-0 (17) Chess Kingggwp (2906)-Demetriogarcia (2759) Blitz 2022

78 **9...d5** 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nxc6 [11.Nxd5 Qxd5 12.Bf3 Qxa2 13.Qc3 Rd8 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.Qa3 Qxa3 16.bxa3 Bb7 17.Nb3 c5 18.Bxc5 Bxg2 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Rd1 Rxd1+ 21.Kxd1 Kf8 22.Bxa7 Bc6 23.Bd4 e5 24.Bc5+ Ke8 25.Na5 Ba4 26.Nc4 e4 27.Nd6+ Kd7 28.Nxe4 Kc6 29.Bb4 Be5 30.h4 h5 31.Kd2 Bb5 32.Ke3 Bc7 33.Kd4 Bd8 34.c4 Ba4 35.Ng5 Bb6+ 36.c5 Bd8 37.Nxf7 Bxh4 38.Ne5+ Kb5 39.Ke3 Bc2 40.c6 Bd8 41.Bd6 Kb6 42.f4 h4 43.Kf3 Bd1+ 44.Kg2 Bc2 45.Kh3 Bf5+ 46.Kh2 g5 47.a4 g4 48.a5+ Kxa5 49.c7 Bf6 50.Nc6+ Kb6 51.Ne7 g3+ 52.Kg2 Be4+ 53.Kh3 g2 54.c8Q g1Q 55.Qb8+ Ka5 56.Qb4+ Ka6 57.Qa3+ Kb5 58.Qb4+ Ka6 59.Qa4+ Kb6 60.Nc8+ Kb7 61.Qd7+ Ka6 62.Qa4+ Kb7 63.Qxe4+ Kxc8 64.Qc6+ Kd8 65.Bc7+ Kc8 66.Be5+ Kd8 67.Bxf6# 1-0 (67) Ilqar (2874)-Fmjoseherrera (2685) Blitz 2024] 11...bxc6 12.Nxd5 cxd5 13.Qxd5 Qc7 [13...Rb8 14.b3 Qc7 15.Qc5 Qb7 16.Qxa7 Qb4 17.Bc5 Qc3 18.Bd4

Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Qc7 20.Bc4 Bb7 21.f3 Rfd8 22.Qe3 e6 23.h4 Rdc8 24.h5 Bd5 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Rxd5 exd5 27.Bxd5+ Kh8 28.Qd4+ Qg7 29.Qxg7+ Kxg7 30.a4 Rc5 31.Rd1 Kf6 32.Kb2 Ke5 33.c4 Ra5 34.Kc3 Ra7 35.g3 g5 36.Re1+ Kf6 37.Re6+ Kg7 38.Rc6 h5 39.Be4 Rg8 40.Rg6+ Kf7 41.Rh6 Rg7 42.Rxh5 g4 43.fxg4 Rxg4 44.Bd5+ Kf6 45.Rh6+ Kg5 46.Re6 Rxg3+ 47.Kb4 Rd7 48.Rb6 Rg4 49.Rb5 Rg3 50.a5 Kf4 51.Bc6 Rd6 52.Bb7 Rdd3 53.a6 Rxb3+ 54.Kc5 Ra3 55.Kb6 Rg6+ 56.Bc6 Rxa6+ 57.Kxa6 Rxc6+ 58.Ka5 Rxc4 59.Rb4 Re4 60.Rxe4+ Kxe4 ½-½ (60) BabaRamdev (2859)-Nadigraj (2777) Blitz 2022]

14.Qxa8 Bf5 15.Qxf8+ Kxf8

[15...Bxf8 16.Rd2 Qa5 17.Kb1 Be6 18.c4 h5 19.Rhd1 Bg7 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Rxd4 Qf5+ 22.Ka1 Qxf2 23.Bf3 Qc2 24.Be4 Qe2 25.c5 Qa6 26.Bb1 Qc6 27.Rc1 f5 28.Rd2 a5 29.Re2 a4 30.a3 Kf7 31.Rce1 Bc4 32.Rxe7+ Kf6 33.R7e5 Qxg2 34.R5e3 Qxh2 35.c6 Bd5 36.Rc3 Qc7 37.Rd1 Be6 38.Ba2 Bc8 39.Rd4 h4 40.Rxh4 Qg3 41.Rxg3 1-0 (41) Brown Player (2852)-Whybemad (2662) Blitz 2021]

16.Bd3 Qb7

[16...Be6 17.Kb1 Kg8 *(17...Qa5 18.a3 Qd5 19.Bc4 Qa8 20.Bxe6 fxe6 21.f3 Kf7 22.Bd4 Bh6 23.Rhe1 Qb7 24.Bc3 Bf4 25.Re4 Bd6 26.Kc1 Qb6 27.Rde1 Qf2 28.R4e2 Qh4 29.h3 Bg3 30.Rd1 Qc4 31.Re4 Qc6 32.Kb1 Bd6 33.Rd3 Bg3 34.Rde3 Qb5 35.Re2 Bd6 36.Kc1 Qg5+ 37.Bd2 Qd5 38.Kb1 Qb5 39.a4 Qc6 40.Bc3 Qd7 41.h4 Qc6 42.h5 gxh5 43.Rxe6 Qxa4 44.Rh6 Qc4 45.Rxh7+ Ke8 46.Rh8+ Kd7 47.Rd2 Qf1+ 48.Ka2 Qc4+ 49.Kb1 Qf1+ 50.Ka2 Qc4+ 51.Kb1* ½-½ (51) Kelevra317 (2888)-Destroyer7777777 (2762) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Be4 h5 19.Bd4 Qf4 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.f3 h4 22.b3 Qg5 23.Rhg1 a5 24.a4 Qe3 25.Kb2 Qf2 26.g3 h3 27.Rh1 Bc8 28.Rdf1 Qd4+ 29.Kb1 Ba6 30.Rd1 Qf2 31.Kb2 Be2 32.Rde1 Bxf3 33.Bxf3 Qxf3 34.Ra1 Qf6+ 35.Kb1 Qc3 36.Rf1 e5 37.Rc1 e4 38.Ka2 e3 39.Rab1 f5 40.b4 axb4 41.Rb3 Qd2 42.Rbb1 e2 43.a5 Qd5+ 44.Kb2 Qxa5 45.Kb3 Qc5 46.c3 bxc3 47.Kc2 Qf2 48.Re1 Qxh2 49.Kxc3 Qxg3+ 50.Kd2 Qd6+ 51.Kxe2 Qd5 52.Kf2 Qd4+ 53.Kf3 Qg4+ 54.Kf2 h2 55.Rh1 Qd4+ 56.Kg2 Qd2+ 57.Kg3 f4+ 58.Kg4 Qe3 59.Rb7+ Kf6 60.Rb6+ Qxb6 0-1 (60) Kelevra317 (2905)-Indzhiev,A (2836) Blitz 2022]

[16...Qe5 17.c3 Qa5 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Rd7 f4 20.Rxa7 Qd8 21.Rd1 Qe8 22.Bc5 Bf6 23.Rdd7 Kg7 24.Bxe7 Be5 25.Bc5 f3 26.Rxf7+ Kg6 27.Rxf3 Qb5 28.Be3 Qe2 29.Rd7 Qf1+ 30.Rd1 Qxg2 31.Rf8 Bg7 32.Rfd8 Qe4 33.R8d6+ Kh5 34.R1d5+ Kg4 35.Rd4 Bxd4 36.Rxd4 Kf3 37.Rxe4 Normal 1-0 (37) BabaRamdev (2854)-Yakamuzosan (2735) Blitz 2024]

[16...Bxd3 17.Rxd3 Qa5 18.Rhd1 f5 19.a3 Qe5 20.Bd4 Qxh2 21.Bxg7+ Kxg7 22.c4 Qxg2 23.Rc3 h5 24.c5 Qc6 25.f4 g5 26.fxg5 h4 27.b4 a6 28.Rd4 Qh1+ 29.Kc2 h3 30.c6 h2 31.Rh4 Qg2+ 32.Kb3 h1Q 33.Rxh1 Qxh1 34.c7 Qd5+ 35.Kb2 Qd2+ 36.Rc2 Qd4+ 37.Kb1 Qd1+ 38.Kb2 Qd4+ 39.Kb3 Qd3+ 40.Rc3 Qd5+

41.Kc2 Qa2+ 42.Kc1 Qa1+ 43.Kd2 Qb2+ 44.Kd3 Qb1+ 45.Kd4 Qe4+ 46.Kc5 Qb7 47.Kc4 Qxc7+ 48.Kb3 Qd6 49.a4 e5 50.b5 axb5 51.axb5 e4 52.Rc6 Qd5+ 53.Kb4 e3 54.Rc7+ Kg6 55.b6 Qd4+ 56.Kb5 e2 57.Re7 Qb2+ 58.Kc6 Qc1+ 59.Kb7 e1Q 60.Rc7 Qe4+ 61.Rc6+ Qcxc6+ 0-1 (61) Kelevra317 (2834)-Gogotaniye (2680) Blitz 2020]

17.c3 Be6 18.Be4 Qb8 19.Rd2 f5 20.Bd5 Bxd5 21.Rxd5 f4 22.Bd4 Qb7 23.Rd1 Bh6 24.f3 Kf7 25.Bc5 Qc7 26.b4 Bg5 27.Rxg5 1-0 (27) Kelevra317 (2924)-Southafricanwolf (2689) Blitz 2022

9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Be6

[10...Qa5 11.g4 Be6 12.g5 Nd7 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.a3 Rac8 15.f4 Rxc3 16.Qxc3+ Qxc3 17.bxc3 Rc8 18.Bd3 Rxc3 19.f5 gxf5 20.exf5 Bd5 21.Rhe1 Ne5 22.Be4 Bxe4 23.Rxe4 Rxa3 24.f6+ exf6 25.gxf6+ Kxf6 26.Rxd6+ Kf5 27.Rh4 f6 28.Rxh7 Nc4 29.Rd5+ Kg6 30.Rxb7 Rh3 31.Rd4 Ne5 32.Rd2 a5 33.Rg2+ Kf5 34.Rf2+ Kg6 35.Rb6 Ng4 36.Rg2 Kg5 37.Rb5+ f5 38.Rxa5 Kf4 39.Ra4+ Kg5 40.Ra8 Kf4 41.Rf8 Nxh2 42.Rf2+ Nf3 43.c4 Ke3 44.Rc2 Ne5 45.Rxf5 Nd3+ 46.Kb1 Rh1+ 47.Ka2 Nb4+ 48.Kb2 Nxc2 49.Kxc2 Kd4 50.Kb3 Rb1+ 51.Kc2 Rb8 52.c5 Rc8 53.Rh5 Kc4 54.Rg5 Kb5 55.Kd3 Rd8+ 56.Ke4 Kc6 57.Rg6+ Kxc5 58.Rg5+ Kc4 59.Rf5 Rd4+ 60.Ke5 Rd5+ 61.Kf6 Rxf5+ 62.Kxf5 ½-½ (62) Wounded Thirteenth (2874)-Muisback (3024) Blitz 2023]

11.Kb1

[11.h4 Qa5 12.a3 *(12.Qg5 Qxg5+ 13.hxg5 Nd7 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 Kg7 17.Re4 Nb6 18.Rxe7 Nxd5 19.Rxb7 Rfb8 20.Bf3 Rxb7 21.Bxd5 Rab8 22.Bxb7 Rxb7 23.Rd1 Rb6 24.c4 f6 25.gxf6+ Kxf6 26.Kc2 h5 27.Kc3 Ke5 28.b4 Rc6 29.b5 Rc7 30.a4 Rf7 31.Rd2 h4 32.a5 g5 33.Rd5+ Ke6 34.Rxg5 Rxf2 35.a6 Rf4* 1-0 (35) Kelevra317 (2842)-Guerrierodellaluce (2722) Blitz 2020 *)* 12...Rfc8 13.h5 *(13.f3 Rab8 14.Kb1 b5 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Kg7 18.Nh5+ Kh6 19.Rxd2 Kxh5 20.f4+ Bg4 21.Rd5+ f5 22.Bf3 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Rc5 24.Rxc5 dxc5 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Re1 Kxh4 27.Rxe7 h5 28.Rg7 Kh3 29.Rg5 h4 30.Ka2 Rd8 31.Kb3 a6 32.Kc3 Kh2 33.b4 c4 34.Rg6 h3 35.Rxa6 Kg2 36.Rg6+ Kxf3 37.Rh6 Kg3 38.Rh5 h2* 0-1 (38) Yarebore (2855)-Enigma64 (2779) Blitz 2021*)* 13...b5 *(13...Rab8 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.g4 b5 16.g5 b4 17.gxf6 bxc3 18.Bxc3 Rxc3 19.Qxc3 Qg5+ 20.Qd2 Qxf6 21.c3 Qxf2 22.Kb1 Qb6 23.Kc1 Qb3 24.Bd3 Bxc3 25.Qxc3 Rc8 26.Qxc8+ Bxc8 27.Bc2 Qb6 28.Rhe1 Be6 29.e5 d5 30.Rd3 Bf5 31.Rd2 Bxc2 32.Rxc2 Kg7 33.Kb1 h5 34.Rd2 e6 35.Rg2 Qd4 36.Kc1 h4 37.Rd2 Qf4 38.Rh1 g5 39.Rhh2 Kg6 40.Rhf2 Qxe5 41.Rde2 Qd6 42.Re1 h3 43.Rfe2 Qf4+ 44.Kc2 Qf5+ 45.Kd1 Kf6 46.Kd2 g4 47.Rg1 e5 48.Ke1 Kg5 49.Kd2 d4 50.Ke1 Qf4 51.Rf1 Qg3+ 52.Kd1 h2 53.Ree1 Qd3+ 54.Kc1 g3 55.Rd1 Qxd1+ 56.Rxd1 g2 57.Kc2 g1Q 58.Rd3 h1Q 59.Kb3 Qe4 60.Rd2 Qge3+ 61.Ka2 Qxd2 62.Kb3 Qec2+ 63.Ka2 Qxb2#* 0-1 (63) Yarebore (2826)-Amirreza_p (2633) Blitz 2021*)* 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Nxb5 Qxd2+

16.Rxd2 Nxe4 17.Rdd1 a6 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nd4 Bf7 20.Rhf1 e5 21.Bf3 d5 22.Bxe4 dxe4 23.Ne2 Rd8 24.Nc3 Rd4 25.Ne2 Rdd8 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Rd1 Rxd1+ 28.Kxd1 Kf6 29.Kd2 g5 30.Ke3 h5 31.Ng3 h4 32.Nxe4+ Kg6 33.f3 Be6 34.b3 Kf5 35.Nc5 Bd5 36.c4 Bc6 37.Nxa6 g4 38.fxg4+ Kxg4 39.Kf2 e4 40.Nb4 e3+ 41.Kxe3 Bxg2 42.Nd3 Kg3 43.Nf4 Bf1 44.c5 h3 45.Nxh3 Kxh3 46.a4 Kg4 47.Ke4 Kg5 48.Ke5 Kg6 49.Ke6 Bh3+ 50.Ke7 Kf5 51.c6 Ke5 52.c7 Be6 53.Kd8 Bxb3 54.c8Q Be6 55.Qc7+ 1-0 (55) Supertactic91 (2873)-Loin Sn (2973) Blitz 2025]

[11.f3 Qa5 12.Kb1 Rfc8 13.Bxf6 Rxc3 0-1 (13) Dr Mortimer (2863)-Nguyen,D (2730) Blitz 2021]

[11.f4 Qa5 12.a3 Rfc8 *(12...b5 13.Nxb5 Qxd2+ 14.Rxd2 Nxe4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Rd4 Nc5 17.Nc7 Rac8 18.Nxe6+ fxe6 19.Kb1 d5 20.Bg4 h5 21.Bh3 Rc6 22.Re1 Ne4 23.Rdxe4 dxe4 24.Rxe4 Kf6* Normal 0-1 (24) BabaRamdev (2844)-Orhanilu (2736) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Kb1 Rab8 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Nxf6+ exf6 17.Rxd2 Bc4 18.Bf3 Rc6 19.e5 Rb6 20.exd6 Rd8 21.Rhd1 Be6 22.Rd4 Kf8 23.c4 Rb3 24.c5 Rb8 25.Bd5 Bxd5 26.Rxd5 Ke8 27.d7+ Kd8 28.Re1 Kc7 29.Re7 Rd8 30.Rxf7 Kc6 31.Rd2 Kxc5 32.Rxf6 Re3 33.Rf7 Re4 34.g3 h5 35.Rf6 Re7 36.Rxg6 Rexd7 37.Rg5+ Kc4 38.Rxd7 Rxd7 39.Rxh5 a6 40.Ka2 Rd2 41.f5 Rd5 42.Rh4+ Kd3 43.Rf4 Normal 1-0 (43) BabaRamdev (2848)-Orhanilu (2732) Blitz 2024]

11...Qa5

[11...Qc7 12.h4 h5 *(12...Rfc8 13.h5 Qa5 14.a3 Rab8 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.f4 b5 17.f5 b4 18.fxe6 bxc3 19.exf7+ Kf8 20.Bxc3 Rxc3 21.Kc1 Rxb2* 0-1 (21) Kelevra317 (2876)-Hungzhao (2716) Blitz 2021*)* 13.f4 Rfc8 14.Rhf1 Qa5 15.a3 b5 16.f5 Bc4 17.fxg6 fxg6 18.Qg5 Bxe2 19.Nxe2 Qa4 20.Nc3 Rxc3 21.Bxc3 Nxe4 22.Qd5+ 1-0 (22) Kelevra317 (2886)-Hungzhao (2690) Blitz 2021]

12.Nd5

[12.a3 Rfc8 13.f3 Rab8 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Nxf6+ Kg7 17.Nh5+ Kh6 18.Rxd2 Kxh5 19.f4+ Kh6 20.g4 Kg7 21.h4 Rc5 22.b3 b5 23.Kb2 a5 24.h5 b4 25.a4 Rbc8 26.f5 Bd7 27.hxg6 hxg6 28.Bd3 Rh8 29.Rf1 g5 30.f6+ exf6 31.Bc4 Bxg4 32.Rxd6 Rh6 33.Ra6 f5 34.exf5 Rxa6 35.Bxa6 Rxf5 36.Rg1 Rf4 37.c4 bxc3+ 38.Kxc3 f5 39.Bc4 Kf6 40.Rb1 Rf3+ 41.Kd4 f4 42.b4 axb4 43.Rxb4 Ra3 44.Rb6+ Kg7 45.Bb5 f3 46.Rb7+ Kg6 47.Ke5 Re3+ 48.Kd4 Ra3 49.Ke5 f2 50.Rb6+ Kh5 51.Rf6 Rf3 52.Rxf3 Bxf3 53.Kd4 Bg2 54.Be2+ Kh4 0-1 (54) Sillymaster (2862)-Sina Iran (2788) Blitz 2022]

12...Qxd2 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Rxd2 Bxd4 15.Rxd4 Rac8 16.f4 Rc5 17.c3 Rfc8 18.g4 b5 19.h4 a5 20.h5 b4 21.f5 Bc4 22.cxb4 axb4 23.Bxc4 Rxc4 24.Rhd1 Kg7 25.b3 Rc2 26.R1d2 Rxd2 27.Rxd2 Kf6 28.Rd4 Rb8 29.Rc4 Rb7 30.a4 bxa3 31.Ka2 Kg5 32.fxg6 fxg6 33.hxg6 hxg6 34.Kxa3 Kxg4 35.e5+ Kf3 36.exd6 exd6 37.Rc3+ Ke4 38.Rc4+ Ke5 39.b4 g5 40.Ka4 d5 41.Rc8 Rg7 42.b5 g4 43.b6 g3 44.Rc7 Rg8 45.b7 Rb8 46.Rg7 g2 47.Rxg2 Rxb7 48.Rg5+ Kd4 49.Rg4+ Kc5 50.Rg5 Kc4 51.Ka3

d4 52.Rg8 d3 53.Rd8 Kc3 54.Rc8+ Kd2 55.Ka2 Kd1 0-1 (55) Kelevra317 (2889)-Sina Iran (2744) Blitz 2021

9...Bd7 10.Kb1

[10.h4 h5 *(10...Ng4 11.Bxg4 Bxg4 12.f3 Be6 13.h5 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bf6 15.Bxf6 exf6 16.Qh6 Qe7 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.Rxd5 Rad8 19.Qf4 Rfe8 20.Rhd1 f5 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.exf5 Qe3+ 23.Qxe3 Rxe3 24.fxg6 fxg6 25.Rxd6 Rxd6 26.Rxd6* 1-0 (26) Bakayoyo (2833)-Aj Literatus (2623) Blitz 2022*; 10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 b5 12.h5 b4 13.Nd5 e5 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qxd6 Qa5 17.a3 bxa3 18.Qxa3 Qxa3 19.bxa3 Rfc8 20.Kd2 Rc7 21.Rb1 Be7 22.a4 a5 23.Bb6 Rc6 24.Bd3 Bb4+ 25.Rxb4 axb4 26.a5 Rb8 27.Rb1 Rcxb6 28.axb6 Rxb6 29.h6 f6 30.Ra1 g5 31.Ra7 b3 32.Rg7+ Kh8 33.Re7 b2 34.Re8+ Bg8 35.Bc4 b1Q 36.Rxg8#* 1-0 (36) Yarebore (2816)-Sfa Gang (2586) Blitz 2021 *)*

A) 11.f3 Ne5 *(11...Rc8 12.g4 hxg4 13.h5 Nxh5 14.fxg4 Ng3 15.Rh3 Nxe2+ 16.Qxe2 Ne5 17.Rdh1 Bxg4 18.Qh2 Bxh3 19.Qxh3 Re8 20.Qh7+ Kf8 21.Bh6 e6 22.Qxg7+ Ke7 23.Bg5+ Kd7 24.Bxd8 Rcxd8* 1-0 (24) Yarebore (2814)-Hungzhao (2694) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Bh6 *(12.g4 hxg4 13.h5 Nxh5 14.Rdg1 g3 15.Bh6 e6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.f4 Nxf4 18.Qxf4 Rh8 19.Qxg3 Qf6 20.Rf1 Rxh1 21.Rxh1 Rh8 22.Rxh8 Kxh8 23.Nf3 Kg7 24.Nd1 Nxf3 25.Bxf3 Bc6 26.Bg2 Qd4 27.Qe3 Qe5 28.Nf2 f5 29.Nd3 Qh2 30.Bf3 Qg3 31.Kd2 e5 32.Nb4 Qh2+ 33.Qe2 Qf4+ 34.Qe3 Qh2+ 35.Kc3 f4 36.Qd3 Qf2 37.Be2 Qc5+ 38.Kb3 Be8 39.a3 Bf7+ 40.Nd5 g5 41.c4 Be6 42.Qd1 a6 43.a4 b5 44.axb5 axb5 45.cxb5 Bd7 46.Qd3 Be6 47.Qc4 g4 48.Qxc5 dxc5 49.Kc3 f3 50.Bd1 f2 51.Ne3 g3 52.Bf3 Bd7 53.b6 Bc8 54.Kd2 Bb7 55.Ke2 Kf6 56.Kf1 Ke7 57.Kg2 Kd6 58.Kxg3 Kc6 59.Kxf2 Kxb6 60.Nc4+ Kb5 61.Nxe5 Kb4 62.Nd3+ Kc4 63.Ke3 Kb3 64.Nxc5+ Kxb2 65.Nxb7 Kc3 66.e5 Kb4 67.e6 Kb5 68.e7 Kb6 69.e8Q Ka7 70.Qe5 Kb6 71.Qc5+ Ka6 72.Qa5#* 1-0 (72) Yarebore (2816)-Sjakk98765 (2699) Blitz 2021 *)* 12...Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Rc8 14.g4 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qa5 16.Kb2 Rc8 17.Qe3 hxg4 18.h5 gxf3 19.Nxf3 Neg4 20.Qd4 e5 21.Qb4 Qxb4+ 22.cxb4 Nf2 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Rxd6 Nxh1 25.Rxf6 Rc6 26.Rxc6 Bxc6 27.Bd3 Nf2 28.Nxe5 Kg7 29.Nxc6 bxc6 30.Kc3 Kf6 31.Kd4 g5 32.Be2 g4 33.c4 g3 34.Bf3 Ke6 35.b5 c5+ 36.Kxc5 Ke5 37.b6 axb6+ 38.Kxb6 Nxe4 39.c5 Ng5 40.Bg2 Ne6 41.a4 Kd4 42.c6 Ke3 43.c7 Kf2 1-0 (43) Yarebore (2821)-Hungzhao (2686) Blitz 2021;

B) 11.Kb1 Qa5 12.Nb3 Qc7 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Ne5 15.Bd4 Rfc8 16.f4 Ng4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Bf3 a5 19.a3 b5 20.Rhe1 Nh6 21.Nd4 Nf5 22.g4 Nxh4 23.Rxe7 Nxf3 24.Nxf3 Qd8 25.Qd4+ Kg8 26.Qf6 Be8 27.Rde1 Qb6 28.Ng5 1-0 (28) Rockywins2 (2837)-Ve A Terapia Men (2802) Blitz 2023]

10...Rc8

[10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 b5 12.Bf3 Rc8

13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.exd5 Bf5 16.Be4 Bxe4 17.Qd4+ Kg8 18.Qxe4 Rc4 19.Qe3 Qc7 20.Rd2 Rc8 21.Qe2 a5 22.Re1 Kf8 23.b3 Rc3 24.Qe4 a4 25.Re3 axb3 26.axb3 b4 27.Rde2 Rxe3 28.Qxe3 Ra8 29.Qd4 Kg8 30.Qxb4 Qa7 31.Qa4 Qb7 32.Qd4 Qa6 33.Qa4 Qb7 34.Qe4 Qa7 35.Kc1 Qa1+ 36.Kd2 Rc8 37.Qd3 Qf6 38.g3 Rc5 39.b4 Rc7 40.f4 Qb2 41.Re4 f5 42.Rc4 Ra7 43.Qc3 Qb1 44.Rc8+ Kf7 45.Qh8 Qxb4+ 46.Qc3 Qe4 47.Qc4 Qg2+ 48.Qe2 Qxd5+ 49.Qd3 Qg2+ 50.Qe2 Qxe2+ 51.Kxe2 Ra2 52.Rc3 Ra1 53.Kd2 Rh1 54.Re3 Rxh2+ 55.Kd3 Rh3 56.c4 Kf6 57.Kd4 e5+ 58.fxe5+ dxe5+ 59.Rxe5 Rxg3 60.Ra5 Rg4+ 61.Kd5 f4 62.Ra6+ Kg5 63.c5 Rg1 64.Ra1 Rc1 65.Rxc1 f3 66.c6 1-0 (66) Kelevra317 (2850)-Guerrierodellaluce (2713) Blitz 2020]

11.h4 h5 12.Nxc6

[12.Rdg1 Re8 13.f3 Ne5 14.g4 hxg4 15.h5 Nxh5 16.fxg4 Nf6 17.Bh6 Bh8 18.Nf5 Rxc3 19.Qxc3 Nxe4 20.Qe3 d5 21.Bf4 Bf6 22.Qh3 Bxf5 23.Qh7+ Kf8 24.Bh6+ 1-0 (24) Tabletopwarrior (2848)-Yakamuzosan (2729) Blitz 2023]

[12.f3 Ne5

A) 13.g4 hxg4 14.h5 Nxh5 *(14...gxf3 15.Nxf3 Rxc3 16.Qxc3 Nxe4 17.Qe1 Bf5 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.hxg6 Bxg6 20.Bh5 Qd7 21.Bxg6 fxg6 22.Qh4 Nc3+ 23.bxc3 Qb5+ 24.Qb4 Qe2 25.Bd4 Rf2 26.Bxf2* 1-0 (26) Tabletopwarrior (2822)-Yakamuzosan (2755) Blitz 2023*)* 15.fxg4 Bxg4 16.Rdg1 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Rxc3 18.bxc3 Nf6 19.Nf5 Qc7 20.Nxg7 Qxc3 21.Qh2 Qb4+ 22.Kc1 Nd3+ 23.cxd3 Rc8+ 24.Kd1 Qb1+ 25.Ke2 Rc2+ 26.Bd2 Rxd2+ 27.Kxd2 Qb2+ 28.Ke3 Qb6+ 29.d4 1-0 (29) Suffermenow (2823)-Wuzhaobing (2662) Blitz 2024;

B) 13.Bg5 Rc5 *(13...Re8 14.Rhe1 Rc5 15.Nb3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.e5 Nh7 18.exd6 Nxg5 19.dxe7 Rxe7 20.hxg5 Rxe1 21.Qxe1 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Qc8 23.Qe7 Rc7 24.Nc5 Be8 25.Rd8 Rxe7 26.Rxc8 Kg7 27.Ne4 Re5 28.Nf6 Rxg5 29.Nxe8+ Kh6 30.Nd6 Rxg2 31.Nxf7+ Kg7 32.Ne5 g5 33.Kc1 Kf6 34.Re8 Kf5 35.Kd1 b5 36.Nd3 h4 37.Rf8+ Ke6 38.Rh8 a5 39.f4 Kf5 40.fxg5 Rg1+ 41.Kd2 Rg2+ 42.Kc1 Rg1+ 43.Kb2 Rxg5 44.Rxh4 Ke6 45.Rd4 Rf5 46.a4 bxa4 47.Rxa4 Rb5+ 48.Ka3 Kd5 49.c4+ Kd4 50.cxb5+ Kc3 51.b6 Kxc2 52.b7 Kxd3 53.b8Q Kc2 54.Qb5 Kc3 55.Rc4+ Kd2 56.Qd5+ Ke1 57.Re4+ Kf2 58.Qf5+ Kg3 59.Rg4+* 1-0 (59) Fathergrigoriy (2813)-Wuzhaobing (2716) Blitz 2024*)* 14.Nb3 Rc7 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Bg7 17.Nxc7 Qxc7 18.c3 a5 19.Nd4 b5 20.Bxb5 Rb8 21.a4 Bxb5 22.Nxb5 Qc4 23.Qd4 Qb3 24.Qa7 Nc4 25.Qxb8+ Kh7 26.Rd2 Nxd2+ 27.Kc1 Nc4 28.Nxd6 Qxb8 29.Nxc4 Qb3 30.Na3 Bxc3 0-1 (30) Ilikeblitz (2846)-Rimac C2 (2496) Blitz 2024]

12...Bxc6 13.f3 Nd7 14.g4 hxg4 15.h5 gxf3 16.Bxf3 Ne5 17.Be2 Bd7 18.Bh6 Be6 19.Rdf1 Rxc3 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.hxg6 Rh8 22.Qxc3 fxg6 23.b3 a6

24.Qg3 Rf8 25.Rfg1 Rf6 26.Qh4 Kf7 27.Qg5 Ke8 28.Rh8+ Rf8 29.Rxf8+ Kxf8 30.Bh5 gxh5 31.Qh6+ Kf7 32.Rg7+ Ke8 33.Qxe6 1-0 (33) Dr Mortimer (2878)-Sanjaypune (2551) Blitz 2022

79 **11...Bd7** 12.h4

[12.Kb1 Ne5 13.b3 Rc8 14.Nce2 a5 *(14...Re8 15.h4 h5 16.Bh6 Bf6 17.Bg5 Bg7 18.c4 Qb6 19.Ka1 a5 20.Bh6 Bh8 21.Be3 a4 22.Rc1 axb3 23.axb3 Nxf3 24.Qc3 Nxd4 25.Bxd4 Bxd4 26.Nxd4 Bg4 27.Kb2 Qc5 28.Ra1 Qe5 29.Rhe1 Ra8 30.Nb5 Qh2 31.Qd2 Rxa1 32.Rxa1 Qxh4 33.Nc7 Qf6+ 34.Qc3 Qxc3+ 35.Kxc3 Rc8 36.Nd5 Kf8 37.Ra7 Rb8 38.b4 Be6 39.Nb6 h4 40.Kd4 g5 41.Ke3 Kg7 42.Ra5 Kg6 43.Ra7 f6 44.Ra5 Rh8 45.Ra7 g4 46.Ra2 h3 47.gxh3 gxh3 48.Rh2 Rh4 49.Na4 Bxc4 50.Nc3 b5 51.Kf3 Kg5 52.Kg3 Rg4+ 53.Kf3 Rh4 54.Kg3 e6 55.Kf3 Rf4+ 56.Ke3 Bf1 57.Rh1 Bg2 58.Rh2 Rg4 59.Ne2 e5 60.Nc3 Rg3+ 61.Kd2 Kf4 62.Ne2+ Kg4 63.Ke1 Re3 64.Kf2 Rxe4 65.Ng1 Rxb4 66.Ke3 Rb3+ 67.Kd2 Rb2+ 68.Kc3 Rb1 69.Ne2 Rh1 70.Rxh1 Bxh1 71.Kd2 Bg2 72.Nc1 h2 73.Nd3 h1Q 74.Nf2+ Kf3 75.Nxh1 Bxh1 76.Kd3 e4+ 77.Kc3 e3 78.Kd4 e2 79.Kd5 e1Q 80.Kc6 Qe4+ 81.Kd7 b4 82.Kc7 b3 83.Kd7 b2 84.Kc7 b1Q 85.Kd7 d5 86.Kd8 d4 87.Kc7 Qbb7+ 88.Kd8 Qee7#* 0-1 (88) Kelevra317 (2831)-Biranidun (2725) Blitz 2019*)* 15.Bh6 Bh8 16.h4 Qb6 17.Kc1 Rfe8 18.Nf4 a4 19.Nd5 Qc5 20.Qb4 e6 21.Qxc5 dxc5 22.Nb6 cxd4 23.Nxc8 Bxc8 24.Kb1 Nc6 25.h5 Bf6 26.Bc1 e5 27.g4 Na7 28.Rh2 Nb5 29.Bb2 Be6 30.Rdh1 Rc8 31.hxg6 hxg6 32.g5 Bg7 33.bxa4 Nc3+ 34.Bxc3 Rxc3 35.Rf1 Ra3 36.Rd2 Rxa4 37.f4 Bxa2+ 38.Kc1 Rb4 39.Rdf2 Rb1+ 40.Kd2 Rxf1 41.Rxf1 exf4 42.Ra1 Bc4 43.Ra8+ Bf8 44.Rc8 Ba6 45.Rd8 Kg7 46.Rxd4 Be7 47.Rd7 Bxg5 48.e5 Kf8 49.Ke1 Ke8 50.Rc7 Bd8 51.Rc5 Kd7 52.Rd5+ Kc7 53.Rd4 Be7 54.Rxf4 Kd7 55.Rxf7 Ke6 56.Rf4 g5 57.Re4 Bb5 58.Kd1 Bc6 59.Rc4 Kf5 60.Rc3 Kxe5 61.Rb3 Kd6 62.Re3 Kc7 63.Rd3 Bd6 64.Rf3 g4 65.Rf7+ Kb6 66.Rg7 Bf3+ 67.Kc1 g3 68.Kb2 1-0 (68) Kelevra317 (2874)-Destroyer7777777 (2778) Blitz 2022]

[12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Qa5 15.h4 Qh5 16.Qd2 Rac8 17.g4 Qe5 18.Kb1 b5 19.h5 g5 20.h6 f6 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 Rc7 23.Rhe1 Qg3 24.Re3 Rfc8 25.Rc1 Kf8 26.Qe2 b4 27.Qd3 Kg8 28.Re4 a5 29.Qe2 Kf8 30.b3 Qh3 31.Re1 Rxc2 32.Qxc2 Rxc2 33.Kxc2 Qxf3 34.Rxe7 Qxd5 35.Re8+ Kf7 36.R1e7+ Kg6 37.Re2 Kxh6 38.R8e3 Kg6 39.Rd3 Qc5+ 40.Kd2 a4 41.bxa4 Qc4 42.Ke3 Qc5+ 43.Rd4 Qa7 44.Kd3 Qxa4 45.Re6 Qa3+ 46.Ke4 Qxa2 47.Rdxd6 Qb2 48.Kd5 b3 49.Kc6 Qc3+ 50.Kd7 b2 51.Ke7 Qc7+ 52.Kf8 Qc3 53.Ke7 Qc7+ 54.Ke8 Qc3 55.Ke7 ½-½ (55) Molt7N (2841)-Quick Mate (2724) Blitz 2022]

12...Ne5 13.b3 Rc8 14.Kb1 h5 15.Nd5 e6 16.Nf4 Qc7 17.c4 b5 18.cxb5 Qb7 19.Rc1

[19.Qe2 Rc5 20.Rc1 Bxb5 21.Nxb5 Rxb5 22.Qc2 a5 23.Ne2 a4 24.Nd4 axb3 25.axb3 Rb4 26.Kb2 Rb8

27.Kc3 Rc8+ 28.Kd2 Rxc2+ 29.Rxc2 Rxb3 30.Nxb3 Qxb3 31.Bf4 Nc4+ 32.Kd1 Nb2+ 33.Kd2 Qd3+ 34.Kc1 Nc4 35.Re1 Qa3+ 36.Kd1 Bc3 37.Ree2 Qa4 38.Bc1 Bd4 39.Ke1 Ne5 40.Kf1 Nd3 41.Red2 Nxc1 42.Rxc1 Be3 43.Rc8+ Kg7 44.Rdc2 Qa1+ 45.Ke2 Bc5 46.e5 Qxe5+ 47.Kd1 Qd4+ 48.Rd2 Qg1+ 49.Kc2 Be3 50.Re2 Bf4 51.Rc3 Be5 52.Rd3 Qc5+ 53.Kd1 Bf4 54.Red2 Qg1+ 55.Kc2 Bxd2 56.Rxd2 Qe3 57.Rd3 Qxd3+ 58.Kxd3 Kf6 59.Ke3 g5 60.g3 gxh4 61.gxh4 1-0 (61) Kelevra317 (2871)-Destroyer7777777 (2782) Blitz 2022]

19...Bxb5 20.Rxc8 Rxc8 21.Rc1 Ba6 22.Rxc8+ Qxc8 23.Qc2 Qd8 24.Qd2 Qxh4 25.Qa5 Qh1+ 26.Kc2 Qf1 27.Qd2 Qa1 28.a4 Nd7 29.Nfe2 Nc5 30.Qc3 Qa2+ 31.Kd1 Bxe2+ 32.Ke1 Nd3+ 0-1 (32) Kelevra317 (2890)-Destroyer7777777 (2759) Blitz 2022

11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Be6 14.h4 Qa5 15.h5 Qe5 16.Qxe5 dxe5 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.Rxd5 Rfd8 19.Rxe5 Rd7 20.Rc5 Rad8 21.b3 Kg7 22.a4 b6 23.Rc6 Rd2 24.h6+ Kf8 25.Rg1 f5 26.exf5 gxf5 27.Rc7 a5 28.Re1 Rxg2 29.Rexe7 1-0 (29) Kelevra317 (2838)-Bazar Wokzal (2567) Blitz 2021

[80] **12.h4** Ne5 13.b3 Qa5 14.Kb1 Rfc8 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 Bxd5 17.exd5 Rc3 18.Bf2 a6 19.h5 Rac8 20.h6 Bf6 21.Ne2 R3c7 22.Ng3 b5 23.Ne4 Bh8 24.a3 Nd7 25.Re1 a5 26.Ree2 b4 27.axb4 axb4 28.Bd4 Bxd4 29.Rxd4 Rb7 30.g4 f6 31.f4 Kf7 32.g5 f5 33.Nf2 Nc5 34.Kb2 Ra8 35.Nd3 Nxd3+ 36.Rxd3 Ra5 37.Rd4 Rc5 38.Re3 Rbb5 39.Red3 Rc7 40.Rd2 Rcb7 41.R2d3 Ra7 42.Rd2 Ke8 43.R2d3 Kd7 44.Rd2 Rc7 45.R2d3 Rcc5 46.Rd2 Kd8 47.R4d3 Rc7 48.Rd4 Kd7 49.R4d3 Rcc5 50.Rd4 Rc3 51.Rxb4 Rxc2+ 52.Rxc2 Rxb4 53.Rc4 Rb5 54.Rd4 e5 55.dxe6+ Kxe6 56.b4 d5 57.Kb3 Kd6 58.Rd1 Rb8 59.Ra1 d4 60.Kc4 d3 61.Ra6+ Ke7 62.Ra7+ Ke6 63.Ra6+ Ke7 64.Ra7+ Ke6 65.Ra6+ Kd7 66.Ra7+ Kc6 67.Ra6+ Kb7 68.Rd6 Rc8+ 69.Kxd3 Kc7 70.Rf6 Rd8+ 71.Ke3 Rd7 72.b5 Kd8 73.b6 Ke7 74.Rc6 Kd8 75.Rc7 Rxc7 76.bxc7+ Kxc7 77.Kd4 Kd6 78.Kc4 Kc6 79.Kd4 Kd7 0-1 (79) Lqevsll (2854)-Pitouro (2703) Blitz 2023

12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Qa5 15.h4 Rab8 16.h5 Rb4 17.Qe3 Rfb8 18.b3 g5 19.f4 h6 20.fxg5 Qxg5 21.Qxg5+ hxg5 22.a3 R4b7 23.Ne2 Bg4 24.Rde1 Bxe2 25.Rxe2 f6 26.g4 Kf7 27.Rf1 Ke6 28.Rf5 Rb5 29.Kd2 c5 30.a4 Rb4 31.Re3 R8b7 32.Rf1 Rb8 33.Rh1 Kf7 34.Rf1 Ke6 35.Rh1 c4 36.h6 cxb3 37.Rxb3 Rxb3 38.cxb3 a5 39.h7 Rh8 40.Kc3 Ke5 41.b4 axb4+ 42.Kxb4 Kxe4 43.Re1+ Kf4 44.Rxe7 Kxg4 45.a5 f5 46.Kb5 f4 47.a6 f3 48.Rf7 Kg3 49.a7 f2 50.Kb6 Rxh7 51.Rxh7 f1Q 52.Rb7 Qb1+ 53.Kc7 Qa2 54.Kb8 g4 55.Rb6 d5 56.Kb7 d4 57.Ra6 Qf7+ 58.Kb8 Qe8+ 59.Kb7 d3 60.Rd6 Qb5+ 61.Kc7 Qa5+ 62.Kb7 Qxa7+ 63.Kxa7 Kh2 64.Rxd3 g3 65.Rd8 g2 66.Rh8+ Kg1 67.Rd8 Kf1 68.Rf8+ Kg1 69.Rg8 Kh1 70.Rh8+ Kg1 71.Rd8 Kh1 72.Rd1+ Kh2 73.Rd7 Kh3 74.Rh7+ Kg3 75.Rg7+ Kf2 76.Rf7+ Kg1 77.Re7 Kh2 78.Rd7 Kh1 79.Rd2 Kg1 80.Rd3 1-0 (80) Tuzakli Egitim (2833)-

Chess Ark (2749) Blitz 2024

81 **12...Rc8** 13.h4 Qa5 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.Qxa5 Nxa5 16.exd5 Nc4 17.Bc1 Nb6 18.Nb3 a5 19.Nxa5 Rc5 20.Nb3 Rxd5 21.Rxd5 Nxd5 22.h5 Rc8 23.hxg6 hxg6 24.Bd2 b5 25.c3 f5 26.a3 Nb6 27.Bg5 e6 28.Rh4 Nc4 29.Nd4 Bxd4 30.Rxd4 Kf7 31.b3 Na5 32.Kb2 d5 33.Rb4 Rb8 34.a4 e5 35.Rxb5 Rxb5 36.axb5 Ke6 37.Ka3 f4 38.Kb4 Nb7 39.b6 Kf5 40.Bh4 g5 41.Be1 Ke6 42.Kb5 e4 43.Kc6 Na5+ 44.Kb5 Nb7 45.b4 Kd7 46.Ka6 Kc8 47.Ka7 Nd6 48.c4 dxc4 49.fxe4 g4 50.e5 Nb5+ 51.Ka8 Nc7+ 52.bxc7 f3 53.gxf3 gxf3 54.b5 Kxc7 55.Ka7 c3 56.b6+ Kd7 57.b7 c2 58.b8Q c1Q 59.Qd6+ Ke8 60.Qe6+ Kf8 61.Bb4+ Kg7 62.Qf6+ Kh7 63.Qe7+ Kg6 64.Bc5 Kf5 65.e6 Qa1+ 66.Kb7 Qb2+ 67.Kc8 Qc3 68.Kd7 Qd3+ 69.Ke8 Qd5 70.Kf7 Qe5 71.Bd6 Qh8 72.Bg3 Qh7+ 73.Ke8 Qg8+ 74.Qf8+ Qxf8+ 75.Kxf8 Kxe6 76.Bf2 Kd7 77.Kf7 Kc6 ½-½ (77) Carlsen,M (2832)-Nakamura,H (2786) chess.com INT 2018

82 **14.a3**
[14.Nb3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Qb5 16.h5 a5 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Bd4 Nxd4 19.cxd4 Bxb3 20.cxb3 Rf8 21.Ka1 a4 22.b4 a3 23.Rc1 h5 24.g4 Rxf3 25.gxh5 Qd3 26.Qxd3 Rxd3 27.Rcg1 g5 28.Rxg5+ Kh7 29.h6 Rg8 30.Rxg8 Kxg8 31.d5 Rd4 32.b5 Rxe4 33.Kb1 Rb4+ 0-1 (33) Lqevsll (2917)-Mischuk,D (2758) Blitz 2023]
14...Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qc5 17.Qd2 b5 18.h5 b4 19.axb4 Qxb4 20.Nd5 Qxd2 21.Rxd2 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 Rab8 23.hxg6 hxg6 24.e5 dxe5 25.Rxe5 Rc7 26.Re4 Kg7 27.Reh4 f5 28.g4 Kf6 29.gxf5 Kxf5 30.Rg4 e5 31.Rhg1 Rg8 32.c3 g5 33.Kc2 Rh7 34.Kd3 Rh3 35.Ke3 Rh2 36.R4g2 Rxg2 37.Rxg2 Rb8 38.b4 Rc8 39.Rc2 Rc4 40.Kd3 Rf4 41.Ke2 e4 42.fxe4+ Kxe4 43.Ra2 Rf7 44.Ra5 g4 45.Rg5 Kf4 46.Rg8 Rc7 47.Kd3 Kf3 48.c4 Rd7+ 49.Kc3 g3 50.Rf8+ Ke2 51.Rg8 Kf2 52.Rf8+ Kg1 53.c5 g2 54.Kc4 Rh7 55.c6 Kh2 56.Rf2 Kh1 57.Rxg2 Kxg2 58.Kd5 Rh5+ 59.Kd6 Rh6+ 60.Kc7 Rh4 61.b5 Rb4 62.b6 Rxb6 63.Kd7 Rxc6 64.Kxc6 a5 65.Kb5 a4 66.Kxa4 ½-½ (66) Azumilover (2928)-Yakamuzosan (2723) Blitz 2023

83 **9...a5** 10.a4 Be6 11.Re1 Rc8 12.f4 Bxb3 13.cxb3 Nb4 14.Bf3 e5 15.Qd2 Bh6 16.Rad1 Qe7 17.Kh1 Rfd8 18.f5 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 Kg7 20.Rd2 h6 21.Red1 g5 22.Qb6 Nc6 23.Be2 Nd4 24.Bc4 Rc5 25.Nd5 Nxd5 26.Bxd5 Qc7 27.Qxb7 Qxb7 28.Bxb7 Nxb3 29.Rd3 Nd4 30.Bd5 Rb8 31.b3 Rb4 32.h3 Rc2 33.Bc4 h5 34.Rxd4 exd4 35.Rxd4 Rb6 36.Rd5 g4 37.hxg4 hxg4 38.Kh2 Rc3 39.Rxa5 Rb8 40.Ra7 Rh8+ 41.Kg1 g3 42.Rxf7+ Kh6 43.Kf1 Re3 44.Kg1 Re1+ 45.Bf1 Kg5 46.Rg7+ Kf4 47.f6 Rh1+ 48.Kxh1 Rxf1# 0-1 (48) Sergoy45 (2842)-Norolex (2842) Blitz 2022

84 **10.Bf3** Ne5 11.h3 Nxf3+ 12.Qxf3 a6 13.Nd4 Nd7 14.Nxe6 fxe6 15.Qg4 Rf6 16.Rad1 Ne5 17.Qe2 Qc7 18.Bd4 Rf7 19.f3 Qc4 20.Bxe5 Qxe2 21.Nxe2 Bxe5 22.c3 Rc8 23.Rd2 b5 24.Nd4 Bxd4+ 25.cxd4 Rc7 26.Kf2 Rf8 27.Ke3 Rfc8 28.Rfd1 h5 29.h4 Kf7 30.g4 Rh8 31.Rg1 hxg4 32.Rxg4 Rh6

33.Rdg2 Rc1 34.Rf4+ Ke8 35.Rfg4 Kf7 36.Rh2 Re1+ 37.Kd3 Rf1 38.Rg3 Rd1+ 39.Kc3 Rc1+ 40.Kb4 Rc4+ 41.Ka5 Ra4+ 42.Kb6 Rxa2 43.Rgg2 Ra4 44.Rc2 Rxd4 45.Ka5 Ra4+ 46.Kb6 Ra2 47.Rc7 b4 48.Ra7 e5 49.Rc2 Rxh4 50.Rcc7 Kf6 51.Rxe7 Kg5 52.Rf7 Rf4 53.Rfd7 Rxf3 54.Rxd6 Rf6 55.Rxf6 Kxf6 56.Kc5 Rxb2 57.Rxa6+ Kg5 58.Kd5 Kf4 59.Rf6+ Kg5 60.Kxe5 b3 61.Rf3 Rb1 62.Rg3+ Kh4 63.Rxg6 b2 64.Rb6 Kg4 65.Ke6 Re1 66.Rxb2 Rxe4+ 67.Kd5 Rf4 68.Ke6 Rf3 69.Ke5 1-0 (69) Arm (2891)-Izel2 (2627) Blitz 2021

10.f4 Na5

[10...d5 11.e5 Nd7 12.Bf3 Nb6 13.Bf2 g5 14.fxg5 Nxe5 15.Be2 Rc8 16.Nd4 Nbc4 17.b3 Nd6 18.Qe1 Qa5 19.Nd1 Qxe1 20.Rxe1 Ne4 21.Be3 Bg4 22.Rc1 Bxe2 23.Nxe2 Ng4 24.Bxa7 Ra8 25.Bd4 Rxa2 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.h3 Ne5 28.Ne3 e6 29.Ra1 Rfa8 30.Rxa2 Rxa2 31.Nd4 Nc6 32.Nf3 Kg6 33.h4 Nb4 34.Ne5+ Kg7 35.Rf1 Nd6 36.c3 Nc6 37.N3g4 Rc2 38.h5 Nf5 39.h6+ Kf8 40.Nxc6 bxc6 41.Nf6 Ne3 42.Nxh7+ Kg8 43.Nf6+ Kh8 44.Ra1 1-0 (44) Virtualspace (2880)-Yakamuzosan (2700) Blitz 2023]

[10...Qc8 11.Re1 Rd8 12.Nd5 Nxe4 13.c3 Nf6 14.Bf3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bxd5 16.Qxd5 e6 17.Qf3 d5 18.Rad1 Qc7 19.Nd4 b5 20.Nxb5 Qb7 21.Qe2 Rab8 22.a4 a6 23.Nd4 Nxd4 24.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 25.cxd4 Qxb2 26.Qxa6 Ra8 27.Qb5 Rdb8 28.Qxb2 Rxb2 29.Ra1 Rb4 30.Red1 Raxa4 31.Rxa4 Rxa4 32.Rd2 h5 33.g3 Kg7 34.Kg2 Kf6 35.Kf3 Ra3+ 36.Kf2 Kf5 37.Rb2 f6 38.Rd2 h4 39.Kg2 hxg3 40.hxg3 Kg4 41.Re2 Rxg3+ 42.Kh2 Rf3 43.Rxe6 Rxf4 44.Kg2 Kf5 0-1 (44) Rfwkkk (2851)-Rish1756 (2741) Blitz 2021]

11.Kh1 Nc4 12.Bc1 Rc8 13.Bd3 Bd7 14.Qe2 b5 15.a4 a6 16.axb5 axb5 17.Nd4 Bg4 18.Qf2 b4 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Bd7 21.Ra6 Qe8 22.b3 Na3 23.c4 Ra8 24.Rxa8 Qxa8 25.Be3 Qc8 26.Be4 Nxc4 27.bxc4 Qxc4 28.Rc1 Qa6 29.Qc2 Rc8 30.Nc6 Kf8 31.Qb3 Qa3 32.Rb1 Qxb3 33.Rxb3 e6 34.Nxb4 exd5 35.Nxd5 Be6 36.h3 h5 37.Kh2 h4 38.Rd3 Rc4 39.Bf3 Ra4 40.Rd2 Ra1 41.Bd4 Bxd4 42.Rxd4 Re1 43.Nf6 Kg7 44.Ne8+ Kh6 45.Nxd6 f6 46.f5 gxf5 47.Rxh4+ Kg5 48.Rd4 f4 49.Ne4+ Kg6 50.Nf2 Bf5 51.Rxf4 1-0 (51) Rosagasa (2887)-Alexandr Khlebovich (2789) Blitz 2022

10.Qd2 a5 11.a4 Rc8 12.Rfd1 Nb4 13.f3 Nd7 14.Nd4 Bc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Rac1 Ne5 17.b3 Rc8 18.Ncb5 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Bf2 e6 21.c4 Nb4 22.Qe2 Qe7 23.Rd2 Rfd8 24.Rcd1 h5 25.Bg3 Nec6 26.Nxc6 bxc6 27.Nd6 Ra8 28.Ne4 Rxd2 29.Rxd2 Rd8 30.Bd6 Qa7+ 31.Bc5 Qb8 32.Bxb4 axb4 33.Rxd8+ Qxd8 34.Qd2 Qb6+ 35.Kf1 Bd4 36.g3 c5 37.Kg2 Kg7 38.Qd3 f5 39.Nd2 Qc6 40.Kf1 e5 41.Qe2 Kf6 42.Kg2 Bc3 43.Nf1 e4 44.fxe4 Qxe4+ 45.Qxe4 fxe4 46.Ne3 Bd4 47.Kf2 Ke5 48.Ke2 Kd6 49.Nd5 g5 50.h3 g4 51.hxg4 hxg4 52.Ne3 Be5 53.Kf2 Bd4 54.Ke2 Be5 55.Nxg4 Bxg3 56.Ke3 Kc6 57.Kxe4 Kb6 58.Ne3 Kc6 59.Nd5 Bf2 60.Kf5 Bd4 61.Ke6 Be3 62.Ne7+ Kb6 63.Kd5 Bf2 64.Nf5 Bg1 65.Ng7 Bf2 66.Ne6 Bg1 67.a5+ Kxa5 68.Nxc5 Bf2 69.Nd3 Be1 70.c5 Bc3 71.c6 Kb6 72.Kd6 Bd4 73.Kd7 1-0 (73)

Virtualspace (2845)-Yakamuzosan (2722) Blitz 2023

85 **10...d5** 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Nxd5 Qxd5 13.Qxd5 Bxd5 14.c3 Rfd8 15.Red1 a5 16.Nc5 b6 17.Na4 b5 18.Nb6 b4 1-0 (18) Lsgeneraal (2857)-Mulamoes530 (2653) Blitz 2023

86 **14.Bxg7** Kxg7 15.Bf3 Qb6 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Rc7 18.b4 Re8 19.c3 Nd7 20.Re4 Ne5 21.Be2 Rcc8 22.Re1 a5 23.bxa5 Qxa5 24.Rh4 h5 25.Rb4 Rc5 26.Rxb7 Rxd5 27.Qe3 Ng4 28.Bxg4 Re5 29.Qd4 hxg4 30.g3 f5 31.h3 gxh3 32.f4 Qd5 33.Qxd5 Rxd5 34.Rbxe7+ Rxe7 35.Rxe7+ Kf6 36.Re2 g5 37.fxg5+ Kxg5 38.Kh2 Rd3 39.Rf2 d5 40.Kxh3 d4 41.cxd4 Rxd4 42.b3 Rb4 43.Rf3 Kf6 44.Re3 Kg5 45.Rc3 f4 46.g4 Rb5 47.Rd3 Rc5 48.b4 Rc1 49.Rd5+ Kg6 50.b5 Rh1+ 51.Kg2 Rb1 52.Kf3 Rb4 53.Rc5 Kf6 54.g5+ Kg6 55.Kg4 Kg7 56.Rc7+ Kg6 57.Rc6+ Kg7 58.b6 Kg8 59.Rc8+ Kg7 60.Rc7+ Kg6 61.Rc6+ Kg7 62.Rf6 1-0 (62) Wollongong2021 (3071)-Norolex (2820) Blitz 2022

87 **7...Nbd7** 8.Qd2
[8.g4 Nc5 9.Nb3 Nxb3 10.axb3 h5 11.Bb5+ Bd7 12.g5 Nh7 13.Bd4 0-0 14.Bxd7 Qxd7 15.h4 f6 16.gxf6 Nxf6 *(16...Bxf6 17.Bxf6 Nxf6 18.Qd2 Kh7 19.0-0-0 Rad8 20.Qg5 e5 21.Rd3 Qg7 22.Kb1 Rd7 23.Qg3 Qf7 24.Qh3 Ne8 25.Nd5 Rd8 26.Rc3 Qd7 27.Qg3 Qe6 28.Rg1 Rd7 29.Rd3 b6 30.b4 Nc7 31.f4 Nxd5 32.exd5 Qf5 33.fxe5 dxe5 34.Qg2 e4 35.Rg3 Rf6 36.Rg5 Qf3 37.c4 Rc7 38.Qc2 a5 39.bxa5 bxa5 40.Re5 Rb7 41.Rxe4 Rfb6 42.Ka1 Qf6 43.Qc3 Qxc3 44.bxc3 Rb3 45.Ka2 Rb2+ 46.Ka3 R7b3+ 47.Ka4 Rxc3 ½-½ (47) Stoofvlees Ii B4 (3499)-LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2-(3573) tcec-chess.com INT 2023)* 17.Qe2 Ne8 18.Be3 Bxc3+ 19.bxc3 e5 20.0-0-0 a5 21.Kb1 a4 22.b4 Rc8 23.Rhg1 Kh7 24.Bc1 Rc7 25.Rd3 Qg7 26.Qe3 Rf6 27.Rd5 Rcf7 28.Rf1 Nc7 29.Ra5 d5 30.Qd3 Rd6 31.c4 d4 32.c5 Rc6 33.f4 exf4 34.Rxf4 Rd7 35.Bd2 b6 36.cxb6 Rxb6 37.Ra7 Ne6 38.Rxd7 Qxd7 39.Rf1 Rb7 40.Qc4 Kg7 41.Rf3 Rb5 42.Kb2 Re5 43.Qd3 Qb7 44.Rf1 Qe7 45.Rh1 Kh7 46.c4 Nd8 47.Re1 Ne6 48.Qg3 Ng7 49.Qf4 Qe8 50.Qf3 Re7 51.Qd3 Ne6 52.Rf1 Qb8 53.Ka2 a3 54.Rc1 Rf7 55.c5 Rf2 56.Rc2 Qg8 57.Kxa3 Qf8 58.Kb2 Rf3 59.Qa6 Nc7 60.Qc4 Qa8 61.Bc1 Qc6 62.Ka1 Qxe4 63.c6 Qe5 64.Re2 Qg7 65.Rd2 Rf5 66.Qxd4 Rf6 67.Qd8 Rxc6+ 68.Bb2 Ne6 69.Qa8 Rc1+ 70.Ka2 Rc3 71.Bxc3 Qxc3 72.Rd7+ Kh6 73.Qe4 Qg3 74.Qc2 Qxh4 75.Qd2+ g5 76.Qc2 Nf8 77.Rd6+ Kg7 78.Qc7+ Kh8 79.Rh6+ Kg8 80.Rf6 Nd7 81.Qd8+ Kg7 82.Qe7+ Kh8 83.Rh6+ Kg8 84.Rg6+ Kh8 85.Qg7# 1-0 (85) LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2- (3573)-Stoofvlees Ii B4 (3499) tcec-chess.com INT 2023]
8...h5 9.0-0-0 a6 10.Bc4
[10.Kb1 Qc7 11.Be2 b5 12.Rc1 *(12.g4 hxg4 13.fxg4 Bb7 14.h3 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxe4 16.Bf3 Nc5 17.Bxe4 Nxe4 18.Qg2 Qb7 19.Ka1 d5 20.Rhf1 e5 21.Nf3 d4 22.Bc1 0-0 23.h4 Rac8 24.h5 Qc6 25.h6 Bf6 26.g5 Bh8 27.h7+ Kg7 28.Nxe5 Qxc2 29.Qh3 Qxc1+ 30.Rxc1 Rxc1+*

31.Rxc1 Nxg5 32.Qd7 Kxh7 33.Rh1+ Kg8 34.Qd5 Ne6 35.Nxg6 1-0 (35) Swimmerchess (2824)-Cachs (2598) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Nb6 13.Rhd1 b4 14.Nd5 Nfxd5 15.exd5 0-0 16.Nc6 a5 17.Nxe7+ Kh7 18.Nc6 Re8 19.Bd4 Bxd4 20.Nxd4 Nxd5 21.Nb5 Qb7 22.Nxd6 Nc3+ 23.bxc3 bxc3+ 24.Nxb7 cxd2 25.Rxd2 Rb8 26.Bb5 Rxb7 27.c4 Bf5+ 28.Ka1 Re3 29.a4 Ra3+ 30.Kb2 Rxa4 31.Kb3 Rb4+ 32.Kc3 Rc7 33.Rb2 Rxb2 34.Kxb2 Re7 35.Ka3 Re2 36.c5 Rxg2 37.c6 Rxh2 38.c7 Bc8 39.Ka4 Ra2+ 40.Kb3 Rf2 41.Bc6 h4 42.Ka4 Ra2+ 43.Kb5 h3 44.Kb6 Rb2+ 45.Kc5 h2 46.f4 Kg7 47.Kd6 Rd2+ 48.Ke7 Rd4 49.Rh1 Rc4 50.Kd8 Be6 51.Bb7 Rd4+ 52.Ke7 Rc4 53.Kd6 Rd4+ 54.Kc5 Rxf4 55.Rxh2 Rc4+ 56.Kb6 a4 57.Ba6 Rc3 58.Rh1 a3 59.Ra1 a2 60.Bb7 g5 61.Ba6 g4 62.Bb7 g3 63.Rg1 Kf6 64.Ra1 g2 65.c8Q Rxc8 66.Bxc8 Bxc8 67.Rxa2 g1Q+ 68.Kc7 Qg4 69.Rf2+ Ke7 70.Rc2 Qd7+ 71.Kb6 Qe6+ 72.Ka7 Bd7 73.Rc7 Qb6+ 74.Kxb6 Kd6 75.Rc5 f5 76.Rc3 Be6 77.Rc2 Ke5 78.Rc1 Bd5 79.Rd1 Be4 80.Re1 f4 81.Rc1 Bf3 82.Rb1 Ke4 83.Rc1 Be2 84.Re1 Ke3 85.Rc1 Kf2 86.Rb1 f3 87.Rb2 Ke3 88.Rb1 f2 89.Rb2 f1Q 90.Rb3+ Kf2 91.Rb2 Qe1 92.Rb3 Qd2 93.Rb4 Ke1 94.Ra4 Qe3+ 0-1 (94) Keepging002 (2854)-Chesselation94 (2710) Blitz 2025]

10...Ne5

[10...Nc5 11.Rhe1 Bd7 12.Kb1 Rc8 13.Bf1 b5 14.Bg5 e6 15.a3 Qb6 16.f4 0-0 17.e5 dxe5 18.fxe5 Ng4 19.Bf4 Kh7 20.h3 Nh6 21.g4 Na4 22.Ne4 Ng8 23.gxh5 Nc5 24.Nd6 Rcd8 25.Bd3 Ne7 26.Rg1 Na4 27.Rdf1 Kg8 28.h6 Qxd4 29.c3 Qd5 30.hxg7 Rfe8 31.Bc2 Qxd2 32.Bxd2 Bc6 33.Bg5 Kxg7 34.Rxf7+ 1-0 (34) Iamwinning1 (2832)-Perfsheradgestmistzh (2691) Blitz 2022]

11.Bb3 b5 12.Bg5 Bd7 13.Rhe1 b4 14.Nd5 a5 15.Nxf6+ exf6 16.Bh4 Bh6 17.f4 Bg4 18.Ne2 a4 19.Bd5 Rb8 20.Kb1 Bxf4 21.Qxf4 g5 22.Bxg5 fxg5 23.Qd2 h4 24.h3 Bxe2 25.Rxe2 Rh6 26.c3 bxc3 27.Qxc3 Rf6 28.a3 Qb6 29.Qc2 Qb5 30.Ka1 Kf8 31.Rf2 Rxf2 32.Qxf2 Qb6 33.Qd2 f6 34.Qc3 Qf2 35.Ka2 Qa7 36.Rd2 Kg7 37.Qc1 Qc5 38.Qf1 Rb5 39.Qe2 Qb6 40.Be6 Qc6 41.Rd4 Qb6 42.Qd2 g4 43.Bxg4 Nxg4 44.hxg4 Qc6 45.Qf2 Qb6 46.Kb1 Re5 47.Qd2 Qc6 48.Qd3 Rc5 49.Qd2 Rb5 50.Qe3 Rg5 51.Qf4 ½-½ (51) LCZero 0.31-dag-4167c1e-BT4-6 (3648)-Stockfish dev-20241122-b7f173 (3677) tcec-chess.com INT 2024

7...h5 8.Bc4 a6 9.Qe2

[9.a4 Qc7 10.Qe2 Nc6 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.a5 Nd7 13.0-0 0-0 14.f4 Rb8 15.Bb3 Nc5 16.Bxc5 dxc5 17.e5 Rb4 18.Na2 Rd4 19.c3 Rdd8 20.Nc1 Qb7 21.Bc4 Bg4 22.Qf2 e6 23.Nd3 Rb8 24.Nxc5 Qxb2 25.Nd7 Qxc3 26.Nxb8 Rxb8 27.Rfc1 Qb4 28.Bxa6 Bf8 29.Bd3 Rd8 30.Bf1 Rd2 31.Qe3 Rd8 32.a6 Bf5 33.a7 Ra8 34.Rxc6 Kh7 35.Rc7 Kg7 36.Rc4 Qb7 37.h3 Qd7 38.Rcc1 Be7 39.Kh1 h4 40.Be2 Bb4 41.Bf3 Bd2 42.Rd1 Bxe3 43.Rxd7 Rxa7 44.Raxa7 Bxf4 45.Rxf7+ Kh6 46.Rxf5 gxf5 47.Re7 Kg5 48.Rxe6 Bg3 49.Re8 Kf4 50.e6 Ke5 51.e7 Ke6 52.Bd5+ Kd6 53.Bf3 f4 54.Bh5 Kd7 55.Kg1 Kd6 56.Kf1 Kd7 57.Ke2

Kd6 58.Kf3 Kd7 59.Rg8 Kd6 60.e8Q 1-0 (60) Tuzakli Egitim (2860)-Artem64 (2738) Blitz 2025]
[9.Bb3 b5 10.a3 Bb7 11.Qe2 Nbd7 12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.Kb1 Rxc3 14.bxc3 Qc7 15.Bc1 0-0 16.Bb2 Rc8 17.h3 e5 18.Nf5 gxf5 19.exf5 Nc5 20.g4 Nxb3 21.cxb3 Nd5 22.g5 Nxc3+ 23.Bxc3 Qxc3 24.Rd3 Qc5 25.f6 Bf8 26.Rg1 e4 27.fxe4 Qe5 28.Re3 Rc3 29.Ka2 Rxe3 30.Qxe3 Qxe4 31.Qd2 Bd5 32.Rg3 a5 33.Re3 Qf5 34.Rd3 Be6 35.Kb2 a4 36.b4 Qe5+ 37.Qc3 Qxc3+ 38.Kxc3 Kh7 39.Kd4 h4 40.Ke4 Kg6 41.Kf4 d5 0-1 (41) Nozdrachev,V (2822)-Econpower (2727) Blitz 2021]
9...Nbd7 10.0-0-0 b5 11.Bd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.Bg5 Qc7 14.h3 b4 15.Ne4 Bb7 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxe7 Qxe7 18.Qxc4 0-0 19.Rhe1 Rfc8 20.Nc6 Qd7 21.Qxb4 Bxc6 22.dxc6 Rxc6 23.Rxd6 Rxd6 24.Qxd6 Qb5 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Qd5 Qb8 27.Re8+ 1-0 (27) Zkid (2871)-Manofcourage (2667) Blitz 2024

7...e5 8.Nb3 a6 9.Qd2 Be6 10.0-0-0 Bf8 11.Bh6 Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Nc6 13.Kb1 Qe7 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Nb8 16.g3 Nbd7 17.Bh3 0-0-0 18.Rhe1 Kb8 19.Qh4 h6 20.Qb4 Rc8 21.Na5 Nc5 22.Nc6+ Rxc6 23.dxc6 b5 24.f4 e4 25.Qd4 Rd8 26.Bg2 d5 27.Re3 Na4 28.b3 Nc5 29.Rc3 Ne6 30.c7+ Nxc7 31.Qb6+ Kc8 32.Bh3+ 1-0 (32) Pltchess1 (2809)-Sanjaypune (2666) Blitz 2023

[88] **8.g4** h5
[8...Nbd7 9.h4 h5 *(9...Ne5 10.h5 Rg8 11.Qd2 Qc7 12.h6 Bh8 13.g5 Nh5 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.0-0-0 e6 16.Nc3 Ng3 17.Rg1 Nxf1 18.Rgxf1 Nc4 19.Qe2 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Bd7 21.f4 Qb6 22.f5 Be5 23.Qd3 gxf5 24.exf5 Qxd4 25.Qxd4 Bxd4 26.Rxd4 Rxg5 27.Rxd6 0-0-0 28.f6 Rg6 29.Rfd1 Rxf6 30.Ne4 Rf5 31.b4 Rd5 32.R1xd5 exd5 33.Rxd5 Be6 34.Rxd8+ Kxd8 35.Ng5 Ke7 36.Nxh7 f6 37.Ng5 Bf5 38.h7 Bxh7 39.Nxh7 Kf7 40.Kd2 f5 41.Ke3 Kg7 42.Kf4 Kxh7 43.Kxf5 Kg7 44.Ke6* 1-0 (44) Recapture (2812)-Gettingold72 (2652) Blitz 2021*)* 10.g5 Nh7 11.Qd2 b5 12.a4 b4 13.Nd5 Bb7 14.Nxb4 0-0 15.Be2 Re8 16.c4 Nc5 17.Ra3 Nf8 18.Nd5 e6 19.Nf6+ Bxf6 20.gxf6 a5 21.Nb5 Ra6 22.Bd4 e5 23.Qh6 Nfe6 24.Be3 Qxf6 25.Bg5 Nxg5 26.hxg5 Qf4 27.Nc7 Qc1+ 28.Bd1 Rc8 29.Nxa6 Bxa6 30.Rc3 Qxb2 31.Rc2 Qd4 32.Be2 Qa1+ 33.Bd1 Nd3+ 34.Kd2 Nf4 35.Ke1 Qd4 36.Rd2 Qe3+ 0-1 (36) Rosagasa (2848)-Niper13 (2680) Blitz 2021]
9.gxh5
[9.g5 Nfd7 10.f4 Nc5 11.Bg2 Nc6 12.0-0 Bg4 13.Qd2 Qd7 14.Nd5 Rd8 15.Rae1 0-0 16.c4 Bh3 17.Bxh3 Qxh3 18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Nxe7+ Kh7 20.Nxc6 Nxe4 21.Qc2 Rde8 22.Bd4 Nxg5 23.Rxe8 Rxe8 24.fxg5 Bxd4+ 25.Nxd4 Qg4+ 26.Kh1 Qxd4 27.Rxf7+ Kh8 28.Rf1 Re4 29.Qb3 Re7 30.Qf3 Kh7 31.b3 a5 32.Qf6 Qe4+ 33.Kg1 Qe3+ 34.Kh1 Qe4+ 35.Qf3 Qe5 36.Qf4 Qe2 37.h4 Rd7 38.Rf2 Qe6 39.Kh2 d5 40.cxd5 Qxd5 41.Kg3 Qh1 42.Qf3 Qg1+ 43.Kh3 Re7 44.a3 Qe1 45.Kg2 Qa1 46.Qf6 Qe1 47.Qf3 Qb1 48.b4 axb4 49.axb4 Qxb4 50.Qf4 Qb7+ 51.Qf3 Qb4 52.Qf4 Qe1 53.Qf3 Qe6 54.Qa3

Rd7 55.Qg3 Rd4 56.Qf3 Rg4+ 57.Kf1 Qc4+ 58.Qe2 Qc1+ 59.Qe1 Rg1+ 60.Kxg1 Qxe1+ 61.Kg2 Qe4+ 62.Kf1 Qxh4 63.Rf7+ Kg8 64.Ra7 Qh1+ 65.Ke2 Qh2+ 66.Kd3 Qg3+ 67.Kc4 Qf4+ 68.Kb5 Qxg5+ 69.Kb6 Qf6+ 70.Kb5 Qf7 71.Kb4 Qxa7 72.Kc4 Qf7+ 73.Kc3 g5 74.Kd3 g4 75.Kd2 g3 76.Kc2 g2 77.Kc3 g1Q 78.Kc2 Qg4 79.Kb2 Qff3 80.Kc1 Qgg2 81.Kb1 Qff1# 0-1 (81) Cvdpfwgwdv (2822)-Chesselation94 (2778) Blitz 2025]

9...Rxh5 10.Qd2 Nc6 11.0-0-0 Bd7 12.h4 Rc8 13.Kb1 b5 14.Nxc6 Rxc6 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Rc8 17.Bg5 Qc7 18.Re1 e5 19.dxe6 Bxe6 20.Bd3 Kd7 21.Rxe6 fxe6 22.Bxg6 Rhh8 23.Re1 Qc4 24.Bf7 Be5 25.Rxe5 1-0 (25) Vistagausta (2899)-Chesselation94 (2719) Blitz 2025

89 **8...b5** 9.0-0-0

[9.a4 b4 *(9...bxa4 10.Nxa4 0-0 11.b4 Qc7 12.Be2 Nc6 13.Nxc6 Qxc6 14.0-0 Rb8 15.c4 Be6 16.b5 Qb7 17.Nc3 Ra8 18.e5 Nd7 19.f4 dxe5 20.Bf3 e4 21.Bxe4 Bxc3 22.Bxb7 Bxd2 23.Bxd2 Bxc4 24.Rfb1 Rab8 25.bxa6 Nc5 26.Rb4 Bd3 27.a7 Rxb7 28.a8Q Rxa8 29.Rxa8+ Kg7 30.Rxb7 Nxb7 31.Re8 Nc5 32.Bc3+ Kh6 33.Rxe7 Ne4 34.Bb2 f5 35.Bg7+ Kh5 36.Bf8 Nf6 37.Re3 Nd7 38.Be7 g5 39.Rh3+ Kg6 40.Rxd3 Ne5 41.fxe5 g4 42.e6 f4 43.Bd6 Kf5 44.e7 Ke4 45.Rd2 g3 46.e8Q+ Kf5 47.Qf7+ Kg4 48.Rd5 gxh2+ 49.Kxh2 Kh4 50.Qxf4#* 1-0 (50) Integralbot (2839)-Bot Adario (2539) Blitz 2024*)* 10.Nd5 *(10.Na2 a5 11.c3 bxc3 12.Nxc3 0-0 13.Bb5 Bb7 14.0-0 Nbd7 15.Nc6 Bxc6 16.Bxc6 Rc8 17.Bb5 Nc5 18.Rad1 Nfd7 19.Nd5 Nb6 20.Nxb6 Qxb6 21.b4 axb4 22.Qxb4 Qc7 23.Rc1 Qa7 24.Rfd1 Rc7 25.f4 Rfc8 26.e5 Bf8 27.exd6 exd6 28.Bd4 Qb7 29.Ba1 Ne6 30.Rxc7 Qxc7 31.Bb2 Qc2 32.Qd2 Qc5+ 33.Kh1 Rc7 34.g3 h5 35.h4 Qf5 36.Kg2 Qg4 37.Be2 Qf5 38.Bd3 Qd5+ 39.Kh3 Rb7 40.Qc2 Qf3 41.Rf1 Nxf4+ 42.Kh2 Qxd3 43.Qxd3 Nxd3 44.Bd4 Rb4 45.Bf6 Rxa4 46.Rd1 Ne5 47.Rb1 Ng4+ 48.Kh3 Nxf6 49.Rb2 Ra3 50.Re2 Ng4 51.Ra2 Re3 52.Re2 Rf3 53.Rd2 Rf5 54.Re2 Ne5 55.Rd2 d5 56.Re2 d4 57.Rc2 d3 58.Rd2 Rf3 59.Ra2 Re3 60.Rd2 Re2 61.Rd1 d2 62.Rg1 Nf3 63.Rf1 Rh2#* 0-1 (63) Bvb1908 (2848)-Mrwabisabi (2668) Blitz 2025*)*

10...Nxd5 11.exd5 a5 *(11...Bb7 12.Bc4 a5 13.0-0 0-0 14.c3 Ba6 15.Bb5 bxc3 16.bxc3 Bb7 17.c4 Qc7 18.Rac1 Nd7 19.Nc6 Ne5 20.c5 dxc5 21.Bxc5 Bxc6 22.dxc6 Rfd8 23.Qe3 Nxc6 24.Bxc6 Qxc6 25.Bxe7 Qxa4 26.Bxd8 Bd4 27.Bb6 Bxe3+ 28.Bxe3 Kg7 29.Rfd1 h6 30.Bd4+ Kh7 31.Ba1 g5 32.Rd6 Re8 33.Rf6 Qa2 34.Kh1 Re2 35.Rg1 Rxg2 36.Rxf7+ Qxf7 37.Kxg2 Qxf3+ 38.Kxf3* 1-0 (38) Kelevra317 (2866)-Supertigre (2552) Blitz 2020*)* 12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.Nc6 Qc7 14.Bd4 f6 15.c3 Nxc6 16.dxc6 Bxc6 17.cxb4 Bxb5 18.axb5 a4 19.b6 Qc6 20.0-0 0-0 21.Rfc1 Qb5 22.Rc7 Rfe8 23.Be3 f5 24.Rac1 a3 25.bxa3 Rxa3 26.b7 Kf7 27.Bg5 Ra7 28.Qxd6 Rxb7 29.Bxe7 Rxc7 30.Rxc7 Kg8 31.Qd7 Qb6+ 32.Kf1 Qa6+ 33.Kf2 Qa2+ 34.Kg3 Qf7 35.Bd6 f4+ 36.Bxf4 Qf8 37.Qd5+

Kh8 38.b5 h6 39.b6 g5 40.Bd6 Qf6 41.b7 h5 42.h3 h4+ 43.Kh2 Rd8 44.Rc8 1-0 (44) Dmitrijiiigm (2895)-Mrwabisabi (2653) Blitz 2025]

[9.g4 Bb7 10.0-0-0 h5 11.g5 Nfd7 12.Bh3 Nc6 13.Nd5 Nde5 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Bb6 Nc4 16.Bxd8 Bxb2+ 17.Kb1 Nxd2+ 18.Rxd2 Bxd5 19.Kxb2 Be6 20.Bxe6 fxe6 21.Ba5 Rf8 22.Rd3 Rc8 23.h4 Kd7 24.Re1 e5 25.Ree3 Ke6 26.Rc3 Rc5 27.Rxc5 dxc5 28.c4 b4 29.Rd3 Rf4 30.Bb6 Rxh4 31.Bxc5 a5 32.Kb3 Rh1 33.Bb6 h4 34.Rd8 h3 35.Rh8 h2 36.Kb2 a4 37.Bf2 a3+ 38.Kc2 Ra1 39.Rxh2 Rxa2+ 40.Kb1 Rb2+ 41.Kc1 Ra2 42.Bg3 b3 43.Kb1 Rxh2 44.Bxh2 Kd6 45.Bg3 Kc5 46.Bxe5 Kxc4 47.Bg7 Kd3 48.Bf8 Ke3 49.Bxe7 a2+ 50.Kb2 Kxf3 51.Bf6 Kxe4 52.Kxb3 1-0 (52) ekfj4cxjx8vkco0acjx2 (2813)-Prul1979 (2706) Blitz 2024]

9...Bb7

[9...Bd7 10.Kb1 Nc6 11.h4 b4 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 f6 16.h5 g5 17.Qxb4 Rb8 18.Qd4 a5 19.Bd3 Bb5 20.c4 Bd7 21.h6 Kf7 22.Rde1 Qb6 23.Qxb6 Rxb6 24.Re2 Rb7 25.Rhe1 Bc8 26.b3 f5 27.Kc2 Kf6 28.Kc3 Rg8 29.a3 g4 30.f4 g3 31.b4 Rg4 32.Rf1 axb4+ 33.axb4 Rh4 34.Re3 Rxh6 35.Rxg3 Rh2 36.Rg8 Bd7 37.Re1 Kf7 38.Rg5 Rc7 39.Bxf5 h6 40.Be6+ Kf6 41.Rf5+ Kg6 42.Rf8 Bb5 43.Re4 Kh5 44.Rg8 Rh1 45.Bf7+ Kh4 46.f5# 1-0 (46) Timofeevar (2812)-Nguyen,D (2599) Blitz 2022]

10.Kb1 Nc6 11.g4 Nd7 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.Bd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 0-0 15.h4 Qb6 16.Qd2 f6 17.Be2 Rac8 18.g5 fxg5 19.Qxg5 Rf7 20.h5 Ne5 21.f4 Qe3 22.hxg6 Nxg6 23.Bg4 Rcf8 24.Be6 Qxf4 25.Qh5 Kg7 26.Qxh7+ Kf6 27.Bxf7 Rxf7 28.Qg8 Bxe4 29.Rhf1 Bf3 30.Nd5+ Bxd5 31.Rxf4+ Nxf4 32.Qh8+ Kg5 33.b3 a5 34.Qe8 Be6 35.Qxb5+ Rf5 36.Qe8 Kf6 37.Qf8+ Bf7 38.Rg1 e5 39.Qxd6+ Be6 40.Qd8+ Kf7 41.Qc7+ Kf6 42.Qg7# 1-0 (42) Wollongong2021 (3054)-The Old Pacifist (2841) Blitz 2022

90 **9.Be2** Nbd7

[9...0-0 10.0-0 *(10.0-0-0 b5 11.g4 hxg4 12.h4 b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Qa5 15.Nb3 Qxa2 16.Bd4 Nd7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.h5 Nf6 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Qh6+ Kf7 21.fxg4 g5 22.Bd3 Rg8 23.Rde1 Bxg4 24.Rhf1 Raf8 25.Rxf6+* 1-0 (25) Loin Sn (2904)-Supertactic91 (2849) Blitz 2025 *)* 10...Nc6 11.Rfd1 *(11.Rad1 Bd7 12.Kh1 Rc8 13.Nb3 Ne5 14.Bh6 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qg5 Qc7 18.Rfe1 b5 19.a3 Bc6 20.Nd4 Rc5 21.Nf5+ Kg8 22.e5 Rxe5 23.Rxe5 dxe5 24.Re1 Re8 25.Rxe5 Nh7 26.Nxe7+ Kh8 27.Qe3 Kg7 28.Nxc6* 1-0 (28) Hovik7 (2825)-Chesselation94 (2782) Blitz 2025*)* 11...Bd7 12.Bf1 Rc8 13.Nb3 Ne5 14.Qf2 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Bb6 Qb8 17.Na5 Rcc8 18.Ba7 Qa8 19.Bb6 Qb8 20.a4 Be6 21.Bd4 b5 22.axb5 axb5 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.exd5 Qc7 25.c3 Ra8 26.b4 Nd7 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Qd4+ Nf6 29.Re1 Rfc8 30.Re3 Qa7 31.Rd1 Qxd4 32.Rxd4 Ra7 33.Kf2 Rac7 34.Rdd3 Nd7 35.Ke2 Ne5 36.Rxe5 dxe5 37.Nc6 e6 38.Nxe5 Rxc3 39.d6 Rxd3 40.Kxd3 Rd8 41.d7 f6 42.Nc6 Rxd7+ 43.Ke4 Kf7 44.Nd4 Rd5

45.f4 Ke7 46.h3 Kd6 47.g4 hxg4 48.hxg4 Rxd4+ 49.Kxd4 e5+ 50.fxe5+ fxe5+ 51.Ke4 Ke6 52.Kd3 Kd5 53.Ke3 e4 54.Ke2 g5 55.Kd2 Kd4 56.Ke2 e3 57.Ke1 Ke4 58.Ke2 Kf4 59.Ke1 Kxg4 60.Ke2 Kf4 61.Kf1 Kf3 62.Ke1 e2 0-1 (62) Loin Sn (2943)-Supertactic91 (2882) Blitz 2025]

[9...Nc6

A) 10.h3 Bd7 11.0-0-0 b5 *(11...Rc8 12.g4 Ne5 13.g5 Nh7 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.b3 Rc5 17.Nd5 0-0 18.f5 e6 19.Nxe6 fxe6 20.Bxc5 dxc5 21.f6 exd5 22.Qxd5+ Rf7 23.Rhf1 Bf8 24.h4 Qe8 25.e5 Be6 26.Qd8 Qb5 27.Rfe1 c4 28.Rd6 Qa5 29.Qxa5 Bxd6 30.exd6 Bd7 31.Qd8+ Nf8 32.Re7 b5 33.Rxf7* 1-0 (33) Vistagausta (2880)-Tch Danghoangson (2652) Blitz 2025*; 11...h4 12.f4 Rc8 13.Bf3 Qc7 14.Nb3 b5 15.Kb1 0-0 16.Qf2 a5 17.Nxb5 Qb8 18.a4 Nb4 19.c3 Qa8 20.cxb4 axb4 21.Ba7 Nxe4 22.Qe3 Bf5 23.N3d4 Bxd4 24.Rxd4 Ng5+ 25.Ka2 Be6+ 26.Ka1 Nxf3 27.gxf3 Bc4 28.f5 Bxb5 29.fxg6 Bxa4 30.Qh6 Rc1+ 31.Rxc1 Rb8 32.Qh7+ Kf8 33.Qxf7#* 1-0 (33) Maggichess16 (2855)-Purplehunter (2604) Blitz 2024 *)* 12.g4 Rc8 13.Kb1 b4 14.Nd5 e6 15.Nxc6 Bxc6 16.Nxb4 Nxe4 17.fxe4 Bxe4 18.Bxa6 Rb8 19.Rhe1 Qa5 20.a3 0-0 21.Bd4 e5 22.Rxe4 exd4 23.Bd3 h4 24.Rf1 Rfc8 25.Re7 Rf8 26.Qf4 1-0 (26) Vistagausta (2898)-Chesselation94 (2720) Blitz 2025;

B) 10.0-0 Bd7 11.h3 Rc8 12.f4 e5 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Bd3 exf4 15.Bxf4 0-0 16.Kh1 d5 17.e5 Ne4 18.Bxe4 dxe4 19.Qe3 Qe7 20.Nxe4 Bxe5 21.Bxe5 f5 22.Ng5 Rfe8 23.Qb3+ Kf8 24.Bd6 1-0 (24) Goodgoodchess (2831)-Chesselation94 (2764) Blitz 2025;

C) 10.0-0-0 Bd7 *(10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Be6 12.Kb1 Rc8 13.h4 Qa5 14.a3 b5 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ exf6 18.Rxd2 Ke7 19.Rhd1 Rc6 20.Rd4 g5 21.Rh1 Rg8 22.hxg5 Rxg5 23.Rh2 Rgc5 24.c3 Kf8 25.f4 f5 26.Rxh5 fxe4 27.Kc1 Rxh5 28.Bxh5 f5 29.Kd2 Ke7 30.Ke3 Rc8 31.Be2 Rg8 32.Kf2 Rh8 33.a4 Bd7 34.axb5 axb5 35.Rb4 d5 36.Bxb5 Rb8 37.Bxd7 Rxb4 38.cxb4 Kxd7 39.Ke3 Kc6 40.g4 fxg4 41.f5 g3 42.f6 d4+ 43.Ke2 d3+ 44.Kd2 g2 45.f7 g1Q 46.f8Q Qd4 47.Qe8+ Kb6 48.Qb8+ Ka6 49.Qa8+ Kb5 50.Qb7+ Kc4 51.Qa6+ Kxb4 52.Qa3+ Kb5 53.Qb3+ Qb4+* 0-1 (53) Hovik7 (2823)-Chesselation94 (2783) Blitz 2025*)* 11.Nd5 Rc8 12.Kb1 b5 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Bd4 Bxd5 15.exd5 Bh6 *(15...Qc7 16.Rhe1 Qb7 17.f4 0-0 18.h3 Rfe8 19.f5 Qxd5 20.fxg6 fxg6 21.Bf3 Qf7 22.g4 Rc4 23.Rf1 e5 24.Be3 Rec8 25.Rc1 e4 26.Be2 hxg4 27.hxg4 Qe6 28.Bxc4 bxc4 29.Bd4 Nxg4 30.Bxg7 Kxg7 31.Qd4+ Nf6 32.Rce1 Re8 33.Rxe4 Qxe4 34.Qxf6+ Kh6 35.a3 c3 36.Qxc3 d5 37.Qf6 d4 38.Qxa6 Qh4 39.Ka2 Re1 40.Rf8 Qe7 41.Qc8 Kg5 42.a4 Re4 43.Rf2 Rg4 44.b3 Qd6 45.Qf8 Qxf8 46.Rxf8 Rg2 47.Kb1 Re2 48.a5 Re7 49.Kb2*

Ra7 50.b4 Kh4 51.Rf4+ Kg3 52.Rxd4 g5 53.Rd8 g4 54.c4 Rg7 55.b5 Kf3 56.b6 Rg6 57.b7 Re6 58.b8Q Re2+ 59.Kc3 Re3+ 60.Kb4 Ke4 61.Re8+ 1-0 (61) Ratingisntoverrated (2846)-Raspfish (2859) Blitz 2023*)* 16.Qd3 0-0 17.g4 Bf4 18.Bxf6 exf6 19.gxh5 Re8 20.hxg6 Rc7 21.Rdg1 Kf8 22.g7+ Kg8 23.Qf5 Rxc2 24.Bd3 Rc1+ 25.Rxc1 Kxg7 26.Qxf4 Re5 27.h4 Qd7 28.Rhg1+ Kf8 29.Qxf6 Rxd5 30.Bh7 Rg5 31.Rxg5 Qf5+ 32.Bxf5 b4 33.Rc8# 1-0 (33) Tutorialbotelmejor (2926)-Purplehunter (2641) Blitz 2024]

[9...b5 10.a4 b4 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 a5 13.Bb5+ Bd7 14.0-0-0 Bxb5 15.Nxb5 Na6 16.Rde1 0-0 17.g4 h4 18.Bg5 Re8 19.Bxh4 Nc5 20.b3 Rc8 21.Kb1 Qd7 22.Re3 Bh6 23.Rhe1 Bxe3 24.Qxe3 e6 25.Bf6 Kh7 26.Qg5 1-0 (26) Maybe Maybe (2840)-Chesselation94 (2771) Blitz 2025]

10.a4

[10.0-0-0 b5 11.Nc6 Qc7 12.Nb4 Bb7 13.Kb1 0-0-0 14.Ncd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 Bxd5 16.Qxd5 Kb8 17.Qxf7 Rc8 18.c4 Bf6 19.f4 bxc4 20.Rc1 Nb6 21.Rhd1 Qc6 22.Qe6 c3 23.bxc3 Nc4 24.Bxc4 Qxc4 25.Qxc4 Rxc4 26.Bd4 e5 27.fxe5 dxe5 28.Bg1 Rxe4 29.Rd6 Bg5 30.Rcd1 Rc8 31.Rb6+ Kc7 32.Rxg6 Rb8+ 33.Kc2 Re2+ 34.Kd3 Rxg2 35.Kc4 Rc8 36.Bc5 h4 37.Rdd6 Rg4+ 38.Kd5 Rd8 39.Bb6+ Kb7 40.Bxd8 1-0 (40) The Appleboy (2865)-Doruksarp17 (2700) Blitz 2022]

10...Qc7 11.a5 0-0 12.0-0 Ne5 13.b3 Bd7 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 e6 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.c4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Bc8 19.Bg5 Rde8 20.Nc2 Nf7 21.Be3 d5 22.Bb6 Qe7 23.Rfe1 dxc4 24.Bxc4 Ne5 25.Be2 h4 26.Nd4 Nd7 27.Nxe6 Nxb6 28.Nxf8 Rxf8 29.axb6 Qc5+ 30.Kh1 Qxb6 31.Qg5 h3 32.Bc4+ Kh7 33.Qh4+ Bh6 34.Re7+ 1-0 (34) Cutemouse83 (2946)-Econpower (2720) Blitz 2021

9.a4 b6

[9...Nbd7 10.Bc4 Qc7 *(10...b6 11.0-0 Bb7 12.Nd5 Rc8 13.Ba2 0-0 14.Bh6 e5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Ne2 Nxd5 17.exd5 f5 18.c3 h4 19.b4 Nf6 20.Bb3 Rc7 21.c4 a5 22.bxa5 bxa5 23.Qxa5 h3 24.g3 Rc5 25.Qxd8 Rxd8 26.Nc3 Ba6 27.Nb5 e4 28.fxe4 Nxe4 29.Nd4 Bc8 30.a5 Nd2 31.a6 Nxf1 32.a7 Bb7 33.Ne6+ Kf6 34.Nxd8* 1-0 (34) Chessxiaoxiang (2856)-Fireheart92 (2919) Blitz 2023*)* 11.Ba2 Ne5 12.Qe2 h4 13.0-0 Nh5 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.Nb3 0-0 16.Rad1 Bd7 17.Nb6 Rb8 18.a5 Bb5 19.c4 Bc6 20.f4 Nd7 21.e5 Nxb6 22.Bxb6 Qd7 23.Nc5 Qc8 24.Nd3 Qe6 25.b4 dxe5 26.b5 e4 27.Nc5 Qf5 28.bxc6 bxc6 29.Qxe4 Qg4 30.Qf3 Qxf3 31.Rxf3 Rfe8 32.Nxa6 Rb7 33.c5 e5 34.fxe5 Bxe5 35.Nb4 Nf4 36.a6 1-0 (36) Ilqar (2873)-Chesselation94 (2741) Blitz 2025]

[9...Nc6 10.Be2 0-0 11.0-0 d5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.e5 Ne8 14.f4 Bf5 15.a5 f6 16.exf6 Nxf6 17.Bf3 Qb8 18.Bb6 Nd7 19.Na4 e5 20.Nc5 Nxb6 21.axb6 Qxb6 22.b4 e4 23.Be2 a5 24.Rab1 axb4 25.Qxb4 Qxb4 26.Rxb4 Bc3 27.Ra4 Rxa4 28.Nxa4 Bd4+ 0-1 (28) Kostik Mostik (2870)-Toomanymanoevres (2901) Blitz 2023]

10.Nd5 Bb7 11.c4 Nbd7 12.Be2 0-0

13.0-0 Re8 14.Rfd1 Rc8 15.Rac1 Nc5 16.b4 Ncd7 17.Bf1 e6 18.Nxf6+ Nxf6 19.Nb3 d5 20.c5 dxe4 21.Qxd8 Rexd8 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.cxb6 Nd5 24.Bc5 exf3 25.Na5 Rb8 26.Nxb7 Rxb7 27.Bxa6 Rb8 28.a5 fxg2 29.Kxg2 Bf8 30.Bxf8 Rxf8 31.b7 Nxb4 32.Bb5 1-0 (32) Kelevra317 (2926)-Doruksarp17 (2663) Blitz 2022

9.Bc4 b5 10.Bb3 Nbd7 [10...Bb7 11.a4 bxa4 12.Bxa4+ Nbd7 13.Nc6 Bxc6 14.Bxc6 Rb8 15.b3 Qc8 16.Bxd7+ Nxd7 17.Bd4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 0-0 19.0-0 Qc5 20.Qxc5 Nxc5 21.Rf2 Rfc8 22.Nd5 Kf8 23.Rd2 e6 24.Ne3 Ke7 25.Kf2 f5 26.exf5 gxf5 27.Nc4 d5 28.Ne5 Kf6 29.Re1 Rc7 30.Ree2 a5 31.Rd4 Rb4 32.Rxb4 axb4 33.h4 Ne4+ 34.fxe4 Kxe5 35.exd5+ Kxd5 36.Rd2+ Ke5 37.Re2+ Kf4 38.g3+ Kg4 39.Rd2 e5 40.Re2 f4 41.gxf4 exf4 42.Rd2 Rc3 43.Kg2 Kxh4 44.Rd4 Kg4 45.Rc4 Rxc4 46.bxc4 Kf5 0-1 (46) Alta (2811)-Runawaybridesman (2732) Blitz 2024]

11.0-0 [11.0-0-0 Nc5 12.Rhe1 Bd7 *(12...0-0 13.Nc6 Qc7 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Nxb3+ 16.axb3 e5 17.f4 Bg4 18.fxe5 Bxd1 19.exd6 Qxd6 20.Rxd1 Qxh2 21.Bf4 Qh4 22.Bg5 Qg4 23.d6 Qd7 24.Ne7+ Kh7 25.Qe2 f6 26.Bf4 Bh6 27.Bxh6 Kxh6 28.Kb1 Kg7 29.Qe4* 1-0 (29) Senornadie (2811)-Logan (2691) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Kb1 *(13.Bg5 Rc8 14.Kb1 Nxb3 15.axb3 Qa5 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Nxf6+ exf6 19.Rxd2 Ke7 20.Ne2 h4 21.Nf4 Be6 22.b4 Rc4 23.c3 g5 24.Ne2 Ra8 25.Nd4 a5 26.bxa5 Rxa5 27.Nc2 Rca4 28.Red1 Ba2+ 29.Kc1 Ra6 30.Rd4 Bb3 31.R1d3 Bxc2 32.Kxc2 Rxd4 33.Rxd4 Ra1 34.h3 Rg1 35.Rd2 Ke6 36.Kb3 Ke5 37.Kb4 Kf4 38.Kxb5 Kg3 39.b4 Rxg2 40.Rxd6 Kxh3 41.Rxf6 Kg3 42.c4 h3 43.c5 h2 44.Rh6 Rg1 45.c6 h1Q 46.Rxh1 Rxh1 47.Kc5 Rc1+ 48.Kd6 Kxf3 49.b5 g4 50.b6 g3 51.b7 g2 52.b8Q g1Q 53.Qb3+ Qe3 54.Qxf7+ Ke2 55.Qa2+ Ke1 56.Qa5+ Kf2 57.Qf5+ Ke2 58.Qb5+ Ke1 59.Qa5+ Kf1 60.Qf5+ Ke1 61.Qa5+* ½-½ (61) Silence404 (2835)-Runawaybridesman (2774) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...Rb8 *(13...0-0 14.Bh6 Rc8 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.e5 dxe5 17.Rxe5 e6 18.Qg5 b4 19.Rxc5 bxc3 20.Rxc8 Qxc8 21.Qe5 cxb2 22.Kxb2 Qb8 23.Qxb8 Rxb8 24.Ka3 Kf8 25.c4 Ke7 26.c5 Rc8 27.Kb4 Ne8 28.Rc1 Rb8+ 29.Ka5 Nc7 30.c6 Be8 31.f4 f6 32.Rf1 e5 33.fxe5 fxe5 34.Nf3 Bxc6 35.Bc4 Kd6 36.Ng5 Bb5 37.Rc1 Bc6 38.Bf1 Nd5 39.Nf7+ Kc7 40.Nxe5 Ne7 41.Nxc6 Nxc6+ 42.Ka4 Kd6 43.Bxa6 Ra8 44.Kb5 Rb8+ 45.Kc4 Rb4+ 46.Kc3 Ra4 47.Bc4 Ne5 48.Rd1+ Kc5 49.Bb3 Rf4 50.Rd5+ Kc6 51.Rxe5 Rf2 52.Re2 Rxe2* 0-1 (52) Sirjohn13 (2827)-Logan (2688) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Nd5 a5 15.c3 Nxb3 16.axb3 b4 17.c4 a4 18.Bg5 axb3 19.Bxf6 exf6 20.Nxb3 0-0 21.Nd4 b3 22.Re3 Re8 23.Rxb3 Rxb3 24.Nxb3 Ba4 25.Qb4 Bc6 26.Nd4 Ba8 27.Qb6 Qd7 28.Qb5 Qd8 29.Nc6 Bxc6 30.Qxc6 f5 31.exf5 Re2 32.f6 Bxf6 33.Nxf6+ Qxf6 34.Qb6 Rxg2 35.Rxd6 Qxf3 36.Ka2 Qf1 37.Rd8+ Kh7 38.Qd4 f6 39.h4 Kh6 40.Rh8+ Kg7 41.Rc8

Kh6 42.Qd7 Rxb2+ 43.Kxb2 Qf2+ 44.Kb3 Qg3+ 45.Kb4 Qxh4 46.Qd2+ g5 47.Rh8+ Kg6 48.Qd8 Kf5 49.Qd7+ Kf4 50.Qd4+ Kg3 51.Qxh4+ Kxh4 52.c5 g4 53.c6 g3 54.c7 g2 55.Rg8 Kh3 56.c8Q+ f5 57.Qc2 Kh2 58.Qxg2# 1-0 (58) Silence404 (2864)-Gordima (2819) Blitz 2024]

11...Bb7 12.Nd5

[12.a4 b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 a5 15.Rfe1 0-0 16.Nc6 Bxc6 17.dxc6 Nf6 18.Bd4 e6 19.Rad1 d5 20.c4 bxc3 21.Qxc3 Ne8 22.Bxg7 Nxg7 23.Bc2 Qb6+ 24.Kh1 Rac8 25.Bd3 Rxc6 26.Qd2 Qb4 27.Qxb4 axb4 28.a5 Ra8 29.a6 Nf5 30.Rc1 Rcxa6 31.Bxa6 Rxa6 32.Ra1 Rb6 33.Rec1 d4 34.Rc7 Rd6 35.Kg1 d3 36.Kf2 e5 37.Rc4 Kg7 38.Rd1 Nd4 39.Rxd3 Rb6 40.f4 Rf6 41.g3 Ne6 42.Rf3 exf4 43.gxf4 b3 44.f5 Ng5 45.Rxb3 Rxf5+ 46.Kg2 Ne6 47.Rf3 Rg5+ 48.Kh1 Rb5 49.Rf2 g5 50.b4 g4 51.Rb2 Kg6 52.Re4 Ng5 53.Rc4 Ne6 54.Rc6 h4 55.Rc4 Kg5 56.h3 f5 57.hxg4 fxg4 58.Rg2 g3 59.Rgc2 Rd5 60.Kg2 Rd3 61.b5 Nf4+ 62.Rxf4 Kxf4 63.Rc4+ Kg5 64.Rc5+ Kf6 65.b6 Rb3 66.Rc4 Rb2+ 67.Kh3 Rh2+ 68.Kg4 g2 69.Rc6+ Ke7 70.Rc1 Rh1 71.Rc7+ Kd6 72.Kf5 g1Q 73.Rf7 Qxb6 74.Kg6 Ke5+ 75.Rf6 Qe6 76.Kh7 Qxf6 77.Kg8 Rg1+ 78.Kh7 Qg7# 0-1 (78) Ilqar (2873)-Chesselation94 (2794) Blitz 2025]

[12.Rfe1 0-0 13.Bh6 Rc8 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Kh1 e5 16.Nde2 b4 17.Nd1 Qb6 18.Ne3 Bxe4 19.Nc4 Rxc4 20.Bxc4 Rc8 21.Bb3 Nc5 22.Qe3 Bf5 23.a3 a5 24.Ng3 Bd7 25.axb4 Qxb4 26.Rad1 h4 27.Ne2 a4 28.Ba2 Qxb2 29.Rxd6 Qxa2 30.Qxe5 Be6 31.Nf4 Qxc2 32.Nd5 Qf5 33.Qxf5 gxf5 0-1 (33) Karlballmer (2869)-MIchael (2920) Blitz 2021]

12...Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Qc7 14.Rac1 Ne5 15.b3 Bxd5 16.exd5 0-0 17.f4 Ng4 18.Nc6 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 e6 20.c4 bxc4 21.Rxc4 Qd7 22.Rd1 Rfe8 23.Qf3 e5 24.fxe5 Bxe5 25.Re4 Bg7 26.Rde1 Rxe4 27.Rxe4 Re8 28.Qe2 Rxe4 29.Qxe4 Kh7 30.g3 Qh3 31.Qf3 h4 32.b4 f5 33.a4 Bh6 34.b5 axb5 35.axb5 f4 36.b6 fxg3 37.hxg3 hxg3 38.b7 Be3+ 39.Qxe3 Qh2+ 40.Kf1 g2+ 41.Ke1 g1Q+ 42.Qxg1 Qxg1+ 43.Ke2 Qg2+ 44.Ke1 Qe4+ 45.Kf2 Qc2+ 46.Kg3 Qb3+ 0-1 (46) Ilqar (2877)-Chesselation94 (2771) Blitz 2025

9.0-0-0 b5 10.Kb1

[10.Bg5 Bb7 11.Nd5 Nbd7 12.Kb1 Rc8 13.Nb3 Nxd5 14.exd5 Nf6 15.Na5 Bxd5 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Qxd5 Qxa5 18.c3 0-0 19.Bd3 Rxc3 20.Bxg6 Rc5 21.Qb3 Rc4 22.Rd5 Rb4 23.Bh7+ Kg7 0-1 (23) Senornadie (2816)-Logan (2687) Blitz 2021]

[10.Bd3 Bb7 11.h3 Nbd7 12.g4 Ne5 13.g5 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc6 15.Nxc6 Bxc6 16.Ne2 Bb7 17.Rhe1 Nc5 18.Bd4 e5 19.fxe5 Nxd3+ 20.cxd3 dxe5 21.Bc3 0-0 22.Kb1 Qd7 23.h4 Rfd8 24.Qe3 Qe7 25.Ba5 Rd7 26.Rf1 Qe6 27.Nc1 Rc8 28.Nb3 Bf8 29.Qg3 Qe8 30.Rc1 Rxc1+ 31.Rxc1 Qe6 32.Nc5 Bxc5 33.Rxc5 Qg4 34.Qxe5 Qd1+ 35.Rc1 Qxd3+ 36.Ka1 Qc2 37.Qe8+ Kh7 38.Rb1 Bxe4 0-1 (38) Swimmerchess (2813)-Zepollesaj (2598) Blitz 2022]

10...Nbd7

[10...Bb7 11.e5 *(11.a4 Nbd7*

12.axb5 axb5 13.Bxb5 Qa5 14.Nb3 Nxe4 15.fxe4 Bxc3 16.Qxc3 Qxb5 17.Qxh8+ Nf8 18.Bh6 Bxe4 19.Qxf8+ Kd7 20.Qxf7 Ra1+ 1-0 (20) Bryce Loski (2838)-Manggugulo Lang (2652) Blitz 2023*)* 11...dxe5 12.Ne6 Qxd2 13.Nxg7+ Kf8 14.Ne6+ fxe6 15.Bxd2 *(15.Rxd2 Nbd7 16.Bd3 Kf7 17.Re1 Rac8 18.a3 Nd5 19.Ne4 Nxe3 20.Rxe3 Bxe4 21.Rxe4 Rhd8 22.Rde2 Rc6 23.b4 Kf6 24.h4 Rd6 25.g4 Rc8 26.gxh5 gxh5 27.Rg2 Rh8 28.Rg5 Rh6 29.f4 Rd5 30.fxe5+ Rxe5 31.Rf4+ Rf5 32.Bxf5 exf5 33.Rfxf5+ Ke6 34.Rxh5 Rg6 35.Rhg5 Rh6 36.h5 Nf6 37.Rc5 Kd6 38.Rg6 Rh7 39.h6 Rh8 40.Rc3 Ke5 41.Rh3 Ne4 42.Rxa6 Ng5 43.Rh1 Kf5 44.Ra5 e5 45.Rxb5 Kf4 46.a4 Ne4 47.Kb2 Ng3 48.Rh4+ Kg5 49.Rh3 Kg4 50.Rxg3+ Kxg3 51.Rxe5 Rxh6 52.Kb3* 1-0 (52) Promove2500 (2816)-Silversurferx (2629) Blitz 2022*)* 15...Kf7 16.Bd3 Nbd7 17.Rhe1 Rhd8 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Bxe4 20.Rxe4 Rac8 21.Ree1 Nc5 22.Rxe5 Rd5 23.Re2 Rcd8 24.Kc1 Na4 25.c3 Nb6 26.b3 a5 27.Rde1 a4 28.Be3 Nd7 29.Bd4 axb3 30.Rxe6 bxa2 31.Rxe7+ Kf8 32.Kb2 Ra8 33.Ka1 b4 34.Rh7 Ra6 35.Ree7 b3 36.Re1 Ne5 37.Rb7 Rxd4 38.cxd4 Nd3 39.Rd1 b2+ 40.Rxb2 Nxb2 41.Kxb2 Ke7 42.Ra1 Kd6 43.g4 Kd5 44.gxh5 gxh5 45.Rxa2 Rxa2+ 46.Kxa2 Kxd4 47.Kb2 Ke3 48.Kc2 Kxf3 49.Kd2 h4 50.Ke1 Kg2 51.Ke2 h3 52.Ke1 Kg1 53.Ke2 Kh1 54.Kf1 Kxh2 55.Kf2 Kh1 56.Kf1 Kh2 57.Kf2 Kh1 58.Kf1 h2 59.Kf2 ½-½ (59) Trafficplainer (2841)-Liamputnam2008 (2655) Blitz 2023]

11.Bd3 Bb7 12.Rhe1 Qc7 [12...Rc8 13.Bg5 Ne5 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 0-0 16.g4 hxg4 17.fxg4 Nxd5 18.h4 Qb6 19.Be4 Nc4 20.Qf2 Na3+ 21.bxa3 Nc3+ 22.Ka1 Rc4 23.Be3 Nxe4 24.Qg1 Rxc2 25.h5 Nc3 26.Nxc2 Nxd1+ 27.Kb1 Nxe3 28.Qxe3 Qxe3 29.Nxe3 e6 30.Kc2 Rc8+ 31.Kd3 g5 32.a4 Rc3+ 33.Ke2 b4 34.Rd1 Be5 35.Nf1 Bf4 36.Rd4 a5 37.Kf2 Rc2+ 38.Kf3 Rxa2 39.Rc4 Rxa4 40.Rc8+ Kg7 41.Rc7 b3 42.Rb7 Rb4 43.Rxb4 axb4 44.Ne3 Bxe3 45.Ke4 b2 46.Kxe3 b1Q 47.Kd4 b3 48.Kc4 b2 49.Kc3 Qc1+ 50.Kd4 b1Q 51.h6+ Kh8 52.h7 Qc5# 0-1 (52) Interestingidea (2826)-Razyeb V Wepki (2741) Blitz 2022]

13.h4 Ne5 14.Bg5 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Be4 Nc4 18.Qd3 Na3+ 19.Kc1 0-0 20.Bxd5 Bxd4 21.bxa3 e5 22.Qxg6+ 1-0 (22) Keepging002 (2877)-Chesselation94 (2774) Blitz 2025

[91] **9...Nbd7** 10.Be2 Qc7 [10...b5 11.a4 bxa4 *(11...b4 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Bb7 14.0-0-0 Qa5 15.Nb3 Qxa4 16.Bd4 Bh6 17.f4 0-0 18.g4 Bxd5 19.gxh5 Rfc8 20.Kb1 Rxc2 21.Qxc2 Bxb3 22.Qxb3 Qxb3 23.hxg6 Rc8 24.gxf7+ Kf8 25.Rc1 Rxc1+ 26.Rxc1 Qxh3 27.Rc8+ Kxf7 28.Bc4+ e6 29.Rc7 Ke7 30.Ka2 Bxf4 31.Bb3 Kd8 32.Ra7 Nc5 33.Bxc5 dxc5 34.Rxa6 Ke7 35.Ra7+ Kf6 36.Ra8 Be5 37.Rf8+ Ke7 38.Rf2 Qe3 39.Rg2 Qd4 40.Rc2 Kd6 41.Bc4 Kc7 42.Kb3 Kb6 43.Re2 Bd6 44.Bxe6 Kc7 45.Bc4* 1-0 (45)

Invisibleguest2023 (2833)-Wuzhaobing (2704) Blitz 2024) 12.Nxa4 Qc7 13.0-0 Bb7 14.Nb3 0-0 15.Na5 Rfc8 16.Rfc1 d5 17.Nxb7 Qxb7 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Bf2 Rab8 20.Bxa6 Qxa6 21.Qxd5 Nf6 22.Qd3 Qc6 23.c4 Nd7 24.Qc2 Ne5 25.Nc5 Rxb2 26.Qe4 Rxf2 27.Qxc6 Nxc6 28.Kxf2 Bd4+ 29.Kf1 Bxc5 30.Ra4 Ne5 31.Rca1 Kg7 32.Ke2 Rb8 33.R1a2 Nc6 34.Ra8 Rb4 35.Rc8 Rb6 36.g4 Bd6 37.gxh5 gxh5 38.Kd3 Nb4+ 39.Ke4 Nxa2 40.c5 Rb4+ 41.Kd5 Nc3+ 42.Kc6 Be5 43.Rd8 Kf6 44.Rh8 Kg6 45.Kd7 Bxh8 0-1 (45) Vistagausta (2875)-Doruksarp17 (2656) Blitz 2023]

[10...b6 11.0-0-0 Bb7 12.g4 Qc7 13.Kb1 Ne5 14.g5 Nfd7 15.f4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Qxc4 17.b3 Qc7 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Nc5 20.Qg2 Qd7 21.f5 gxf5 22.Rhf1 Ne4 23.Nxf5 Nc3+ 24.Ka1 Nxd1+ 25.Nxg7+ Kf8 26.Ne6+ Ke8 27.Qf3 fxe6 28.dxe6 1-0 (28) Vistagausta (2848)-Doruksarp17 (2673) Blitz 2022]

[10...h4 11.f4 b5 12.Bf3 e5 13.Nb3 Qc7 14.0-0-0 exf4 15.e5 fxe3 16.Qxe3 Nxe5 17.Bxa8 Bh6 0-1 (17) Goodgoodchess (2829)-Chesselation94 (2766) Blitz 2025]

11.a4

[11.0-0-0 b5 *(11...Ne5 12.g4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Qxc4 14.b3 Qb4 15.g5 Nd7 16.Kb1 Nb6 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Qa3 19.Qe1 0-0 20.Bc1 Qc5 21.Bb2 Re8 22.Rh2 Qxd5 23.Re2 Qxg5 24.f4 Qf6 25.Bc3 Bxh3 26.Nb5 axb5 27.Bxf6 Bxf6 28.Qb4 Bg4 29.Rde1 Bxe2 30.Rxe2 h4 31.Qxb5 Kg7 32.Qxb7 Rh8 33.a4 h3 34.Rh2 g5 35.fxg5 Be5 36.Rxh3 Rxh3 37.Qxa8 Rg3 38.b4 Rxg5 39.a5 Rg4 40.Qb7 Bc3 41.a6 Rg1+ 42.Ka2 Bd4 43.b5 e6 44.Qe4 Bc5 45.Qc4 Rg2 46.Qxc5 dxc5 47.a7 Rxc2+ 48.Kb3 Rc1 49.a8Q Rb1+ 50.Kc4* 1-0 (50) Vistagausta (2864)-Doruksarp17 (2672) Blitz 2023 *)* 12.g4 Ne5 *(12...Bb7 13.g5 Nh7 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Nb3 0-0 19.Kb1 a5 20.Qd3 a4 21.Qxc4 bxc4 22.Nd4 Rfb8 23.c3 a3 24.Rh2 Nf8 25.Nc6 Rb7 26.Bd4 e6 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Nb4 axb2 29.Rxb2 Ra5 30.h4 e5 31.fxe5 dxe5 32.Nc6 Rab5 33.Rxb5 Rxb5+ 34.Kc2 Nd7 35.a4 Rb3 36.Ra1 Nc5 37.Na5 Rb8 38.Nxc4 e4 39.a5 Ra8 40.d6 f6 41.a6 fxg5 42.hxg5 Ra7 43.Ne5 h4 44.d7 Ne6 45.Nc6 Rxd7 46.a7 Nc7 47.a8Q Nxa8 48.Rxa8 h3 49.Ra1 e3 50.Nd4 Rf7 51.Rh1 Rf2+ 52.Kd3 h2 53.Kxe3 Rg2 54.Nf3 Rc2 55.Rxh2 Rxc3+ 56.Kf4 Rc4+ 57.Kg3 Kf7 58.Ne5+* 1-0 (58) Vistagausta (2893)-Chesselation94 (2726) Blitz 2025 *)* 13.g5 Nfd7 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.f4 e6 16.Nf6+ Bxf6 17.gxf6 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Nc6 Qc7 20.Qxd6 Qxd6 21.Rxd6 Bb7 22.Rhd1 Bxc6 23.Rxc6 e5 24.Rcd6 Nf8 25.f5 gxf5 26.exf5 Nh7 27.Bh6 Rg8 28.Re1 1-0 (28) Vistagausta (2905)-Chesselation94 (2713) Blitz 2025]

11...0-0 12.g4 Nc5 13.Rg1 e6 14.b4 Rd8 15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.Rg5 Bd7 17.Kf2 Bf6 18.Rxh5 gxh5 19.Rg1+ Kh7 20.Bg5 Bh8 21.bxc5 Rg8 22.c6 bxc6 23.e5 dxe5 24.Nb3 f5 25.Nc5 e4 26.Bc4 Qa7 27.Kf1 Bxc3 28.Qxd7+ Qxd7 29.Nxd7 Bd4 30.Rg3 h4 31.Bxh4 Rxg3 32.Bxg3 exf3 33.Bxe6 Kg6 34.Nb8 Be3 35.Nxc6 Rh8 36.h4

f4 37.Be1 f2 38.Bxf2 Bxf2 39.Kxf2 Rxh4 40.Bc4 Kf6 41.Bd3 Rh5 42.Kf3 Rc5 43.Nb8 Ra5 44.Nxa6 Rxa4 45.Nc5 Rd4 46.Be4 Rc4 47.Nd7+ Ke6 48.Nf8+ Ke5 49.Ng6+ Kd4 50.Nxf4 Ke5 51.Ng6+ Kd4 52.Bd3 Rc8 53.Ke2 Kc3 54.Nf4 Rg8 55.Nd5+ Kd4 56.Ne3 Kc3 57.Nd1+ Kb4 58.Kd2 Rg2+ 59.Be2 Kc5 60.Ne3 Rg7 61.Nf5 Ra7 62.c3 Rh7 63.Kc2 Rh3 64.Kb3 Rh8 65.Nd4 Rh2 66.Ka3 Rh4 67.Nb3+ Kd6 68.c4 Re4 69.Bd3 Re3 70.Bg6 Rg3 71.Bf7 Rf3 72.Be8 Rf8 73.Ba4 Rg8 74.Bb5 Rg4 75.Kb4 Rh4 76.Be8 Rg4 77.Bf7 Rh4 78.Bg8 Rg4 79.Bd5 Rg3 80.Nd4 Rg1 81.Nb5+ Ke5 82.Bc6 Rg6 83.Kc5 Rg4 84.Bd5 Rg3 85.Na7 Kf5 86.Nc6 Rh3 87.Nd4+ Ke5 88.Nc6+ Kf5 89.Kd6 Rh6+ 90.Kc7 Rh7+ 91.Kb6 Rh8 92.c5 Rh6 93.Kb5 Rh5 94.Nb4 Ke5 95.Bb7 Rh3 96.Nc6+ Kf4 97.Na7 Rb3+ 98.Ka6 Rg3 99.c6 Rg7 100.Kb6 Rg6 101.Ka5 Rg7 102.Nb5 Kg5 103.c7 Rg8 104.Nd4 Kf4 105.Kb6 Rg6+ 106.Nc6 Rg1 107.c8Q Rb1+ 108.Kc7 Kg5 109.Qd8+ Kg4 110.Ne5+ Kf5 111.Qd4 Rxb7+ 112.Kxb7 Ke6 113.Kc6 Kf6 114.Qf4+ Ke6 115.Nd7 Ke7 116.Qf8+ Ke6 117.Qf6# 1-0 (117) Cinder (2946)-Botalexgrandmaster (2804) Blitz 2025

9...Qc7 10.Bd3

[10.Be2 b5 11.0-0-0 Bb7 12.g4 Nfd7 13.f4 Nc5 14.Bf3 Nbd7 15.gxh5 gxh5 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 Nb6 18.b3 Bf6 19.Kb1 Qd7 20.Nc6 Qf5 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.d6 0-0 23.Nxe7+ Bxe7 24.dxe7 Rfe8 25.Bxa8 Nxa8 26.Qd8 1-0 (26) Lifetimelearner01 (2811)-Cachs (2584) Blitz 2025]

10...Nbd7 11.0-0 0-0 12.a4 Ne5 13.f4 Nxd3 14.cxd3 Bd7 15.Rac1 Qa5 16.f5 Rac8 17.Qf2 Qb4 18.Rb1 Kh7 19.Nc2 Qb3 20.Nd4 Qb4 21.g4 hxg4 22.Qh4+ Kg8 23.hxg4 g5 24.Qxg5 Nh7 25.Qh5 Bxd4 26.Kg2 Rfe8 27.Rh1 Nf8 28.Nd5 Qxa4 29.f6 Qc2+ 30.Kf3 Bxg4+ 31.Qxg4+ Ng6 32.Qh3 Qf2+ 33.Kxf2 exf6 34.Qh7+ Kf8 35.Qh6+ Kg8 36.Bxd4 Rc2+ 37.Kf1 Rc1+ 38.Rxc1 Re6 39.Rc8+ Re8 40.Nxf6# 1-0 (40) Mr Chess Berserk (2868)-Purplehunter (2624) Blitz 2024

9...Nc6 10.0-0-0 Bd7 11.Bd3 b5 12.g4 b4 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Ne2 a5 15.Nd4 Qc7 16.Kb1 Nd7 17.Nxc6 Qxc6 18.e5 Nxe5 19.Be4 Qa6 20.Bd4 Rd8 21.f4 Nc4 22.Qd3 Bxd4 23.Qxd4 Rg8 24.gxh5 gxh5 25.Bd5 Rc8 26.Rhe1 Nb6 27.Rxe7+ Kxe7 28.Bb7 b3 29.Qxd6+ Ke8 30.Re1+ Qe2 31.Rxe2# 1-0 (31) Mr Chess Berserk (2867)-Purplehunter (2602) Blitz 2024

[92] **14.axb4** e5 15.Nb6 exd4 16.Bxd4 Nc6 17.Nxa8 Bxa8 18.Rxa6 0-0 19.Bb6 Qb7 20.Bf2 Qxb4 21.Qxb4 Nxb4 22.Ra4 Rb8 23.Ba7 Nxc2+ 24.Kd2 Rc8 25.Ba6 Bh6+ 26.Kd3 Rc7 27.Bb6 Bxe4+ 28.fxe4 Rc6 29.Bc4 Rxb6 30.Kxc2 Nxe4 31.Bxf7+ Kxf7 32.Rxe4 Bg5 33.Rf1+ Kg7 34.b4 Bf6 35.Rb1 Kf7 36.b5 Be5 37.Ra4 Ke6 38.Kd3 Kd5 39.Ra8 g5 40.Rg8 Bf4 41.g3 Bxg3 42.Rxg5+ Be5 43.h4 Rb7 44.Rxh5 Kc5 45.b6 Kc6 46.Rf5 Bh8 47.h5 Rxb6 48.Rxb6+ Kxb6 49.h6 Kc6 50.Rf8 Bb2 51.Rc8+ Kd7 52.Rc3 Bxc3 53.Kxc3 Ke6 54.h7 Kd5 55.h8Q Ke4 56.Qd4+ Kf5 57.Qxd6 Ke4 58.Kd2 Kf3 59.Qd4 Kg2 60.Ke3 Kh2 61.Qg4 Kh1 62.Kf2 Kh2 63.Qg2# 1-0 (63) Kizbuurb (3092)-Cheng Nn (2792) Blitz 2025

93 **9.0-0-0** b5 10.h4 [10.Kb1 Bb7 11.Nb3 *(11.Bd3 Ne5 12.Rhe1 Rc8 13.f4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.e5 Ne4 16.Nxe4 Bxe4 17.Bg1 d5 18.Ka1 0-0 19.c3 e6 20.g4 Qb8 21.Nc2 Bxc2 22.Qxc2 b4 23.Bd4 a5 24.f5 Rfc8 25.fxe6 fxe6 26.h4 bxc3 27.bxc3 Qb4 28.cxb4 Rxc2 29.b5 R8c4 30.b6 Rb4 31.Rb1 Ra4 32.Bb2 Rb4 33.Bd4 Ra4 34.Bb2 Rb4 35.Bc1 Rxb1+ 36.Kxb1 Rc8 37.Bd2 a4 38.Rc1 Rxc1+ 39.Kxc1 Bxe5 40.Kc2 Kf7 41.Bc3 Bb8 42.Kd3 Ke7 43.g5 Kd7 44.Bd4 Kc6 45.Bf2 e5 46.Kc3 Bd6 47.Bg1 Be7 48.Bh2 Bd8 49.Bxe5 Bxb6 50.Kd3 Kb5 51.Bc3 Bc5 52.Bd2 Kc6 53.Bf4 Bd6 54.Bd2 Be5 55.Bc1 Kd6 56.Bd2 Ke6 57.Ke3 Kf5 58.Kf3 d4 59.Bc1 d3 60.Bd2 Bd6 61.Ke3 Bg3 62.Kxd3 Bxh4 63.Kc4 Bxg5 64.Bxg5 h5 65.Kb4 Kxg5 66.Kxa4 h4 67.Kb3 h3 68.a4 h2 69.Kb4 h1Q 70.Kb5 Qa8 71.Kb4 Qxa4+ 72.Kxa4 Kf4 73.Kb4 g5 74.Kb5 g4 75.Kc6 ½-½ (75) Odraconiandevil (2876)-Prul1979 (2719) Blitz 2022; 11.Bh6 0-0 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.h4 h5 14.Qg5 Rc8 15.Nf5+ Kg8 16.Rh3 Rxc3 17.bxc3 Ne5 18.Rg3 Bxe4 19.fxe4 Nxe4 20.Qh6 Nxg3 21.Qg7# 1-0 (21) Lunaticxxx (2817)-Sina Iran (2749) Blitz 2021)* 11...h5 12.Be2 *(12.Bd4 0-0 13.h3 h4 14.Qf2 e6 15.Qxh4 Nxe4 16.Qxd8 Nxc3+ 17.Bxc3 Rfxd8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rxd6 Bd5 20.Bd3 Kf6 21.Na5 Rac8 22.Rxa6 Nc5 23.Ra7 Nxd3 24.cxd3 Rf8 25.Nb3 Ke5 26.Rc1 f5 27.Rg7 Kf6 28.Rgc7 Ra8 29.R1c5 b4 30.Rb5 Ra4 31.Nc5 Bxa2+ 32.Kc1 Raa8 33.Nd7+ Kg5 34.Nxf8 Rxf8 35.Rxb4 Bd5 36.h4+ 1-0 (36) Vladimirovich9000 (2860)-Sina Iran (2957) Blitz 2022)* 12...Rc8 *(12...Qc7 13.h3 Rc8 14.g4 Ne5 15.g5 Nfd7 16.Bd4 0-0 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Nd4 Rb8 21.f5 Nc5 22.Rhe1 Qb6 23.f6+ exf6 24.gxf6+ Kh7 25.Nf5 gxf5 26.Qg5* 1-0 (26) Bryce Loski (2834)-Doruksarp17 (2608) Blitz 2023*)* 13.Rhe1 0-0 14.Bg5 Qc7 15.Bh6 b4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 a5 19.Bb5 Ne5 20.f4 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Qxc4 22.Nxa5 Qa6 23.Nc6 Ra8 24.Nxb4 Qb7 25.a3 Ra5 26.f5 Rb5 27.fxg6 fxg6 28.c4 Rc5 29.Qd4 Qd7 30.Re6 Rf7 31.Rde1 Kf8 32.Nc6 Ng8 33.Nxe7 Rxe7 34.Rxe7 Nxe7 35.Qh8+ Kf7 36.Qh7+ Ke8 37.Qg8# 1-0 (37) Lunaticxxx (2884)-Sina Iran (2785) Blitz 2021]

[10.Bh6 Bxh6 11.Qxh6 Bb7 12.h4 Rc8 13.Nde2 *(13.Kb1 Rxc3 14.bxc3 Qc7 15.h5 Nxh5 16.Rxh5 gxh5 17.Qg7 Rf8 18.Nf5 Ne5 19.Qg5 f6 20.Qxh5+ Kd8 21.Qxh7 Re8 22.Kb2 Nd7 23.Ng7 Nc5 24.Qh5 Na4+ 25.Kc1 Qxc3 26.Qxe8+ Kc7 27.Qxe7+ Kb6 28.Qxd6+ Bc6 29.Qd4+* 1-0 (29) Serendipper (2811)-zaguer (2647) Blitz 2022*)* 13...Qa5 14.h5 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Qxa2 17.hxg6 b3 18.Nd4 bxc2 19.Nxc2 Qa1+ 20.Kd2 Qxb2 21.Bd3 Ne5 22.Qg7 Rg8 23.Qxg8+ Nxg8 24.gxh7 Rxc2+ 25.Bxc2 Nc4+ 26.Kd3 Nh6 27.Rxh6 Ne5+ 28.Ke2 Qxc2+ 29.Rd2 Qc4+ 30.Kf2 1-0 (30) Brittabagels (2877)-Gettingold72 (2664) Blitz 2023]

[10.a3 Bb7 11.g4 *(11.Kb1 Rc8 12.Qe1 0-0 13.h4 h5 14.Be2 Ne5 15.Bg5 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.e5*

dxe5 18.Ne6 Qb8 19.Nxg7 Kxg7 20.Qe3 Rfc8 21.Rhe1 Rxc3 22.bxc3 Nd5 23.Rxd5 Bxd5 24.Qxe5+ Qxe5 25.Rxe5 e6 26.Bd2 Rc4 27.Be1 f6 28.Re3 g5 29.hxg5 fxg5 30.Rd3 Kg6 31.Rd4 Rc8 32.Kc1 h4 33.Kd2 Kf5 34.Ke3 Rh8 35.Kf2 h3 36.gxh3 Rxh3 37.Rd3 Rh2+ 38.Ke3 Rxc2 39.Bg3 Bc4 40.Rd8 Re2+ 41.Kd4 Rd2+ 42.Kc5 Rxd8 43.Kc6 Rd3 44.Kc7 Rxc3 45.Be1 Rxa3 0-1 (45) Timetraveling (2829)-Elfugitivo (2847) Blitz 2022*)* 11...Ne5 12.h4 Rc8 13.h5 Nxf3 14.Nxf3 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxe4 16.Rh3 *(16.hxg6 Bxf3 17.Bh6 hxg6 18.Bxg7 Rxh1 19.Re1 Qc7 20.Bf6 e5 21.c3 Qc6 22.Qf2 Be4 23.Qa7 Qb7 24.Qf2 b4 25.axb4 Qxb4 26.Re3 Qc4 27.Re1 Qa2 28.Qb6 Qb1+ 29.Kd2 Qc2+ 30.Ke3 Rh2 31.Bb5+ axb5 32.Qxb5+ Bc6 33.Qe2 Qe4+ 34.Kd2 Rxe2+ 35.Rxe2 Qf4+ 36.Ke1 Qxf6 37.Rh2 Qe6 38.Rh8+* 1-0 (38) Savakrasavavictory (2853)-Gettingold72 (2636) Blitz 2023*)* 16...Rxc2+ 17.Qxc2 Bxc2 18.Kxc2 Qc8+ 19.Kb1 Qxg4 20.h6 Bf6 21.Bf2 0-0 22.Rg3 Qf4 23.Bd3 Rc8 24.Rh3 Qg4 25.Rg3 Qa4 26.Rgg1 Qf4 27.Rc1 Rf8 28.Be2 Qxh6 29.Rc2 e5 30.Nd2 d5 31.Nb3 e4 32.Rf1 Be5 33.Rd1 Rd8 34.Bb6 Rd6 35.Bc7 Re6 36.Bg4 f5 37.Rxd5 Qh1+ 38.Ka2 e3 39.Rd8+ Kf7 40.Rd7+ Re7 41.Rxe7+ Kxe7 42.Bxe5 fxg4 43.Nd4 Qd5+ 44.Ka1 Qxe5 45.Nc6+ Kd6 46.Nxe5 Kxe5 47.Kb1 Ke4 48.Kc1 Kf3 49.Kd1 g3 0-1 (49) Lunaticxxx (2863)-Sina Iran (2729) Blitz 2021]

[10.Bd3 Bb7 11.Rhe1 0-0 12.Bh6 Rc8 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.a3 Qb6 15.Nb3 Ne5 16.Kb1 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 Rfc8 20.c3 R4c7 21.Qd4 Qxd4 22.Rxd4 Kf8 23.Na5 Rc5 24.Red1 h5 25.h4 Ne8 26.Nb7 R5c7 27.Na5 Ng7 28.g4 Rc5 29.Kc2 hxg4 30.fxg4 Ne8 31.Kb3 Nf6 32.R1d2 Nd7 33.Kc2 Ne5 34.Rf2 Kg7 35.Nb7 Rc4 36.Rff4 Rxd4 37.Rxd4 Rc7 38.Na5 Nf3 39.Re4 Nxh4 40.Nc6 Kf8 41.a4 Nf3 42.a5 f6 43.Nb4 Ra7 44.c4 Ne5 45.b3 bxc4 46.bxc4 Ke8 47.Kc3 Kd7 48.Rf4 Ra8 49.Re4 Kc7 50.Re1 Kb7 51.Rh1 Rc8 52.Rh7 Rxc4+ 53.Kb3 Rc7 54.Rg7 Nxg4 55.Rxg6 Ne5 56.Rg7 Nc4 57.Nc6 Ne3 58.Rxe7 Nxd5 59.Rxc7+ Kxc7 60.Nd4 Ne7 61.Kc4 Nc6 62.Nb3 f5 63.Kd5 f4 64.Ke4 Kd7 65.Kxf4 Ke6 66.Ke4 d5+ 67.Kd3 Kd6 68.Kc3 Ke5 69.Nc5 Nxa5 70.Nxa6 Nc6 71.Nc5 d4+ 72.Kd3 Kd5 73.Nb3 Ne5+ 74.Kd2 Kc4 75.Nxd4 Kxd4 ½-½ (75) Interestingidea (2851)-Wallecewilliams (2652) Blitz 2023]

[10.Nc6 Qc7 11.Nb4 Bb7 12.Nbd5 Bxd5 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 0-0 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Rfc8 17.Bd3 Ne5 18.Qd2 Nxd3+ 19.Qxd3 Qc4 20.Qxc4 Rxc4 21.b3 Rc5 22.Kb2 Rac8 23.Rd2 e5 24.dxe6 fxe6 25.f4 Kf7 26.g3 h5 27.Re1 d5 28.Ree2 b4 29.a3 bxa3+ 30.Kxa3 a5 31.Kb2 Kf6 32.Rd4 Rc3 33.Ra4 R3c5 34.Rd4 R8c6 35.Rd1 Kf5 36.Re5+ Kg4 37.Rd2 Kf3 38.Rg5 Ke3 39.Rd3+ Ke2 40.Re5+ Kf2 41.Rd2+ Kf3 42.Rd3+ Kf2 43.c3 Kg2 44.Re2+ Kh3 45.Re5 Kxh2 46.Rg5 d4 47.Rxc5 Rxc5 48.cxd4 Rf5 49.Re3 Rf6 50.Ka3 Kg2 51.Ka4 Kf2

52.Rd3 h4 53.gxh4 Rxf4 54.Kxa5 Rxh4 55.b4 g5 56.b5 g4 57.b6 g3 58.b7 Rh8 59.Rd2+ Ke3 60.Rb2 Kxd4 61.Rg2 e5 62.Rxg3 e4 63.Rg7 e3 64.Rd7+ Ke4 65.Rc7 Rb8 66.Kb6 e2 67.Re7+ Kf3 68.Rxe2 Kxe2 69.Kc7 Rxb7+ 70.Kxb7 ½-½ (70) Kelevra317 (2843)-Niper13 (2688) Blitz 2021]

10...h5 11.Kb1 Bb7 12.Bd3

[12.Nb3 Rc8 13.Ne2 Ne5 14.Na5 Ba8 15.Nf4 0-0 16.Bd4 Qc7 17.Be2 Rfd8 18.Rc1 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Nb3 Nc4 21.Bxc4 bxc4 22.Nxd5 Rxd5 23.Qc3 cxb3 24.Bxg7 Rc5 25.Qd4 bxc2+ 26.Ka1 e5 27.Bxe5 Qxe5 28.Qd2 Qd5 29.Qe3 Ra5 30.a3 Qc4 31.b3 Rxa3+ 32.Kb2 Qb4 33.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 34.Kxc2 Bd5 35.Rb1 Ra2+ 36.Kd1 Rxg2 37.Qe8+ Kh7 38.Qe3 Bxf3+ 0-1 (38) Elektromagnit (2878)-Sina Iran (2716) Blitz 2021]

[12.Be2 Rc8 13.Rhe1 Ne5 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.e5 Ne4 17.Nxe4 Bxe4 18.exd6 Qxd6 19.Bg1 f5 20.Rxe4 fxe4 21.b3 Rc8 22.Qe2 0-0 23.g3 Rfd8 24.Qxe4 e5 25.fxe5 Bxe5 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Nxb5 Qc6 28.Qxc6 Rxc6 29.Nd4 Bxd4 30.Bxd4 Re2 31.Rc3 Rxc3 32.Bxc3 Kf7 33.Ba5 Ke6 34.a4 Kd5 35.Kb2 Rg2 36.Bc7 Kd4 37.Bb8 Re2 38.Ba7+ Kd5 39.Kc3 Rg2 40.Bb8 Rf2 41.Bf4 Rg2 42.Kd3 a5 43.Kc3 Kc5 44.Be3+ Kc6 45.Bf4 Kc5 46.Be3+ Kc6 47.Bf4 Kc5 ½-½ (47) Mothandtheflame (2829)-Prul1979 (2722) Blitz 2022]

[12.a3 Rc8 13.Be2 Ne5 14.Rhe1 Nfd7 15.Nb3 Nb6 16.Na5 Nbc4 17.Nxc4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Nd5 0-0 20.Bg5 Re8 21.g4 hxg4 22.fxg4 Bxd5 23.exd5 Rxg4 24.Qe2 Qc8 25.Rg1 Rxg1 26.Rxg1 Qc5 27.Rd1 Qc4 28.Qxc4 bxc4 29.c3 Bf6 30.Re1 Bxg5 31.hxg5 Kg7 32.Re4 f6 33.gxf6+ Kxf6 34.Rxc4 g5 35.Kc2 e6 36.Kd3 exd5 37.Rc6 Ke5 38.Rxa6 g4 39.Ra7 Rg8 40.Rf7 g3 41.Rf1 g2 42.Rg1 Kf4 43.Ke2 Kg3 44.Kd3 Rg4 45.b4 Kf2 46.Rb1 g1Q 47.Rxg1 Kxg1 48.a4 Kf2 49.a5 Kf3 50.a6 Rg8 51.b5 Ra8 52.Kd4 Ke2 53.Kxd5 Kd3 54.Kc6 Kc4 55.Kb7 Re8 56.b6 d5 57.a7 Kxc3 58.a8Q Rxa8 59.Kxa8 d4 60.b7 d3 61.b8Q d2 62.Qc7+ 1-0 (62) Exhausted10 (2827)-Gettingold72 (2662) Blitz 2022]

12...Rc8 13.Rhe1 Ne5 14.Bg5 0-0 15.Nce2 Nc4 16.Qc1 Qb6 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Be3 Qa5 19.Bh6 Rfc8 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qg5 Kh7 22.c3 R8c5 23.Qf4 Re5 24.Nc1 b4 25.Ndb3 Qb6 26.cxb4 Nd5 27.Qxf7+ Kh6 28.Qf8+ Kh7 29.Qf7+ Kh6 30.exd5 Bxd5 31.Qf8+ Kh7 32.Rxe5 dxe5 33.Rxd5 Qe6 34.Rd8 Rxc1+ 35.Nxc1 Qf5+ 36.Qxf5 gxf5 37.Re8 1-0 (37) Yarebore (2940)-Sina Iran (2813) Blitz 2022

9.Bc4 b5 10.Bb3 Bb7 11.0-0-0 Quintiliano,Renato: 'and now Black tries a different plan to seek counter-chances'Quintiliano, Renato: 'and now Black tries a different plan to seek counter-chances'

[11.Bh6 Bxh6 *(11...0-0 12.h4 Nc5 13.h5 Nxb3 14.axb3 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Qb6 16.0-0-0 Rac8 17.g4 b4 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.g5 bxc3 20.gxf6 Rf7 21.fxe7 Qa5 22.Kb1 cxb2 23.Kxb2 Qc3+ 24.Kb1 Rxe7 25.Rh2 Rf8 26.Rd3 Qc5 27.Rg2 Qe5*

28.Nf5 Ref7 29.Qh1 Rxf5 30.exf5 Qxf5 31.Rf2 Rf6 32.Qd1 Qf4 33.Rd4 Qe3 34.Re2 Qxf3 35.Re8+ Kf7 36.Qe1 Kg7 37.Re7+ Rf7 38.Rxd6 Qf4 39.Rdd7 Bd5 40.Rxd5 Rxe7 41.Qxe7+ Kh6 42.Qe5 Qxe5 43.Rxe5 g5 44.c4 g4 45.c5 Kg6 46.c6 Kf6 47.Re1 Kf5 48.c7 Kf4 49.c8Q h5 50.Qc4+ Kg3 51.Qf1 h4 52.Qg1+ Kf4 53.Rf1+ Kg5 54.Qe3+ Kg6 55.Rf4 g3 56.Qe4+ Kh5 57.Rf5+ 1-0 (57) Velky Kruh (2819)-Sina Iran (2788) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Qxh6 Nc5 13.Qg7 Rf8 14.0-0-0 Qc7 15.Kb1 Nxb3 16.cxb3 Qc5 17.Rhe1 Qg5 18.Nf5 Rg8 19.h4 Qf4 20.Qh6 Qxh6 21.Nxh6 Rf8 22.e5 dxe5 23.Rxe5 e6 24.a4 b4 25.Na2 a5 26.Rb5 Bd5 27.Nc1 Ke7 28.Ka2 Rfb8 29.Nd3 Rxb5 30.axb5 a4 31.Kb1 Bxb3 32.Rc1 Nd5 33.Ng4 a3 34.Nge5 Ba4 35.Nc6+ Kf6 36.Ncxb4 Nxb4 37.Nxb4 Bxb5 38.Rc3 axb2 39.Kxb2 Rb8 40.Kc2 h5 41.Nd3 Bxd3+ 42.Rxd3 Rb4 43.g3 Kf5 44.Kc3 Ra4 45.Kd2 e5 46.Ke3 f6 47.Rc3 Rd4 48.Rc6 Ra4 49.Rd6 Ra3+ 50.Kf2 Ra2+ 51.Ke3 Ra3+ 52.Ke2 Ra2+ 53.Ke1 Rg2 54.Kf1 Rxg3 55.Kf2 Rh3 56.Kg2 Rxh4 57.Rd8 Rg4+ 58.fxg4+ hxg4 59.Re8 Kg5 60.Kg3 f5 61.Rxe5 1-0 (61) Brittabagels (2882)-Gettingold72 (2659) Blitz 2023]

[11.a4 bxa4 12.Bxa4 0-0 13.Nc6 Qe8 14.0-0 Nc5 15.Bxc5 Bxc6 16.Bd4 Bb5 17.Bxb5 axb5 18.Rxa8 Qxa8 19.Nxb5 Qc6 20.Nc3 Rb8 21.b3 e5 22.Bf2 Rc8 23.Be1 Qc5+ 24.Rf2 h5 25.Na4 Qa7 26.c4 Nd7 27.Qxd6 Bf8 28.Qd1 Nb6 29.Nxb6 Qxb6 30.Kf1 Rd8 31.Qb1 Bc5 32.Rc2 Qd6 33.Re2 Qd4 34.Bf2 Qd1+ 35.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 36.Re1 1-0 (36) Arabamdacia (2819)-Gettingold72 (2667) Blitz 2023]

11...Nc5

[11...h6 12.g4 Rc8 13.h4 Ne5 14.g5 hxg5 15.hxg5 Rxh1 16.Rxh1 Nfd7 17.Rh7 Bf8 18.f4 Nc4 19.f5 Nde5 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.fxg6 Nxg6 22.Qf2 Ne5 23.g6 Rxc3 24.gxf7+ Kd7 25.Qf5+ e6 26.Qxe6+ Kc7 27.bxc3 Bxe4 28.Qe8 Qf6 29.Ne6+ Kb7 30.Qd7+ Nxd7 0-1 (30) Medarde94 (2865)-Sina Iran (2786) Blitz 2021]

[11...Rc8 12.Kb1 Ne5

A) 13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Rxc3 Quintiliano,Renato: '?!' 15.bxc3 Qa5 *(15...Qc7* Quintiliano,Renato: 'in general this exchange sacrifice would give good compensation for Black, but here the rook cannot enter into the action, so this compensation is not enough' Quintiliano,Renato: 'in general this exchange sacrifice would give good compensation for Black, but here the rook cannot enter into the action, so this compensation is not enough' *16.Kb2 Qc5 17.Rhe1* Quintiliano,Renato: ' ±' Quintiliano, Renato: ';1-0 Korneev,O (2611)-Williams,S (2466) Gausdal GM-A 2005 (5)' *)* 16.Kb2 Kd7 17.Qe3 Rc8 18.h3 b4 19.cxb4 Qxb4 20.Ka1 a5 21.Qd2 Qc5 22.Ba4+ Kd8 23.Nb3 Qb4 24.Qxb4 axb4 25.Nd4 Rc4 26.Bb3 Rc3 27.Rhe1 g5 28.Kb2 Ba6 29.Nf5 Ke8 30.Nxd6+ exd6 31.Rxd6 Rc6 32.Ba4 Nc4+ 33.Kb3 Nxd6 34.Bxc6+ Kd8 35.e5 Nf5 36.exf6 Nd4+ 37.Kxb4 Nxc6+ 38.Kc5 Kd7 39.c4 Na5 40.Re7+ 1-0 (40)

BabaRamdev (2846)-Elfugitivo (2750) Blitz 2023;
B) 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.c3 Qc7 17.Nc2 0-0 18.Bh6 Rc8 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Ne3 Rc5 21.h4 h5 22.Qd4+ f6 23.g4 Rh8 24.g5 Kf7 25.gxf6 exf6 26.f4 Re8 27.f5 gxf5 28.Qf4 Rxe3 29.Qxe3 Bxd5 30.Rhg1 Be4+ 31.Ka1 Ke6 32.Rg6 Qe7 33.Rdg1 Re5 34.Rg7 Qe8 35.Rg8 Qc6 36.Rf8 Qc4 37.Qh6 Bd5 38.Rxf6+ Kd7 39.Rxd6+ Kc7 40.Rg7+ Bf7 41.Rxf7+ Qxf7 42.Rd1 Qe6 43.Qg7+ Kb6 44.Qh8 f4 45.Qd8+ Kb7 46.Rd7+ Qxd7 47.Qxd7+ Ka8 48.Qc8+ Ka7 49.Qc7+ Ka8 50.Qxe5 f3 51.Qf6 f2 52.Qxf2 1-0 (52) Medarde94 (2848)-Sina Iran (2816) Blitz 2021]

12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Qc7
[13...e5 14.Nde2 Nxb3+ 15.axb3 b4 16.Na4 Qc7 Quintiliano,Renato: 'but even here after'Quintiliano,Renato: 'but even here after' 17.Rd2 Quintiliano,Renato: 'White is clearly better, for example'Quintiliano, Renato: 'White is clearly better, for example' *(17.Qg7* Quintiliano, Renato: '?!' *Ke7)* 17...d5 18.Qg5 Quintiliano,Renato: '!?' Qe7 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Qxe7+ Kxe7 21.Nc5 Bc6 22.Re1 Kf8 Quintiliano,Renato: '?' 23.Nd7+ Quintiliano,Renato: '!' Quintiliano,Renato: '1-0 Timman,J (2565)-Shanava,K (2519) Baku President's Cup 3rd 2008 (7)']

14.Kb1 Nxb3 15.cxb3 Qc5 16.Rhe1 Rc8 17.g4 Rg8 18.g5 Nh5 19.Qxh7 Kd7 20.Qxf7 Qe5 21.f4 Nxf4 22.Nf3 1-0 (22) Brittabagels (2887)-Gettingold72 (2654) Blitz 2023

9.Bh6 Bxh6 10.Qxh6 b5 11.g4 Bb7 12.Qd2 Ne5 13.g5 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.0-0-0 Rb8 17.h4 Qb6 18.b3 Nc5 19.Rhe1 0-0 20.h5 Rfc8 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.e5 cxb3 23.axb3 Qb4 24.exd6 exd6 25.Kb2 a5 26.Ne6 Bf3 27.Nxc5 Rxc5 28.Ra1 Rbc8 29.Re3 Bc6 30.Qxd6 Rf8 31.Qe6+ Rf7 32.Rd3 Qxf4 33.Re1 Qxg5 34.Qc8+ Kg7 35.Rd8 Qf6 36.Rg8+ Kh6 37.Qh3+ Rh5 38.Qe3+ Qf4 39.Qe6 Qf6 40.Qe3+ Qf4 41.Qb6 Qf6 42.Rd8 Rh3 43.Qd4 Qxd4 44.Rxd4 Rf2 45.Rc4 Bd7 46.Nd5 Bf5 47.Nf6 Rhh2 48.Rc1 Kg5 49.Nd5 h5 50.Ne3 Re2 51.Rg1+ Kh6 52.Nxf5+ gxf5 53.Rc6+ Kh7 54.Rg5 f4 55.Rf5 Rhf2 56.Rf7+ Kg8 57.Rd7 Re8 58.Rg6+ Kh8 59.Rh6+ Kg8 60.Rxh5 f3 61.Rg5+ Kh8 62.Rh5+ Kg8 63.Rg5+ Kh8 64.Rf5 Rg2 65.Rxf3 Rg7 66.Rh3+ Kg8 67.Rxg7+ Kxg7 68.Rg3+ Kf6 69.Rc3 Kg5 70.Rc5+ Kf4 71.Rxa5 Re6 72.Ra4+ Kf5 73.Rc4 Kf6 74.b4 Rc6 75.Kb3 Rd6 76.c3 Re6 77.Rc5 Re4 78.Rc4 Re5 79.b5 Ke6 80.Kb4 Rd5 81.Rc6+ Rd6 82.Rc5 Ke7 83.c4 Rd4 84.Rc6 Rxc4+ 85.Kxc4 Kf8 86.Kc5 Kg7 87.b6 Kh7 88.b7 Kg7 89.b8Q Kh7 90.Qb7+ Kh8 91.Rc8# 1-0 (91) Bmwhero (2869)-Prul1979 (2621) Blitz 2020

94 **9...Nc5** 10.0-0-0 h5
[10...Qa5 11.h4 h5 12.g5 Nfd7 13.Kb1 Rb8 14.f4 0-0 15.f5 Re8 16.Qg2 e6 17.f6 Bf8 18.Be2 Ne5 19.Rhg1 Qc7 20.Rdf1 Kh7 21.Bxh5 gxh5 22.Qe2 Kg6 23.Qd1 Ng4 24.Rxg4 b5 25.Nde2 Kh7 26.g6+ fxg6 27.Rxg6 e5 28.Ng3 Bg4 29.Rxg4 hxg4 30.Qxg4 Ne6 31.Qh5+ Kg8 32.f7+ Qxf7 33.Qxf7+

Kh8 34.Qh5+ Kg8 35.Nd5 Nf4 36.Nf6+ Kg7 37.Bxf4 Kxf6 38.Bg5+ Kg7 39.Rf7+ Kg8 40.Qh7# 1-0 (40) Buletten Karl (3017)-Aks Mantissa (2737) Blitz 2024]

11.Qe1 Qa5 12.g5 Nfd7 13.Kb1 Ne6 14.f4 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 Qc5 17.Rc4 Qa5 18.Ra4 Qd8 19.Qg3 0-0 20.Be2 b5 21.Rd4 Bb7 22.Rhd1 Bc6 23.f5 Rc8 24.Bxh5 gxh5 25.Qh4 Ne5 26.Qxh5 Qd7 27.Rg1 Qe8 28.Qh6 Ng4 29.Rxg4 f6 30.gxf6+ Qg6 31.Qxg6+ Kh8 32.Rh4# 1-0 (32) Xshashx (3034)-Aks Mantissa (2742) Blitz 2024

9...Ne5 10.0-0-0 b5 11.g5 b4 12.gxf6 bxc3 13.Qxc3 exf6 14.Be2

[14.Rg1 0-0 15.Be2 Qe7 16.f4 Nd7 17.Nf5 gxf5 18.e5 dxe5 19.Rxd7 Qxd7 20.Bc5 Qa4 21.b4 Re8 22.Qg3 Qa3+ 23.Qxa3 Kh8 24.Qg3 Rg8 25.Bf8 h6 26.fxe5 Kh7 27.exf6 Be6 28.fxg7 Bd7 29.Bc4 Be8 30.Qe5 Bd7 31.Bxf7 h5 32.Bg6+ Kh6 33.Qf4# 1-0 (33) Bird Xx (2952)-Aks Mantissa (2625) Blitz 2024]

14...Bb7 15.Rhg1 0-0 16.Qd2 Re8

[16...Kh8 17.h4 Re8 18.Bh6 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Rg8 20.h5 Qe7 21.Rh1 Rac8 22.Kb1 Rc7 23.b3 Rd7 24.Kb2 Rc7 25.c3 Bc8 26.f4 Nc6 27.Bc4 Qxe4 28.Nc2 Ne7 29.hxg6 Qxg6 30.Qh2 Bg4 31.Rxd6 Rxc4 32.bxc4 Rb8+ 33.Ka1 Nf5 34.Rd2 h5 35.c5 Kg7 36.Qf2 Re8 37.Rg1 Re4 38.Rd8 Rc4 39.Qe1 Qh7 40.Qe8 Rxc3 41.Nb4 Ne3 42.c6 Kh6 43.c7 Rxc7 44.Qxe3 Rc4 45.f5+ Kg7 46.Qe7 Qxf5 47.Qf8+ Kg6 48.Qg8+ Kh6 49.Qh8+ Kg5 50.Rd5 Rf4 51.Qg7+ Kh4 52.Rxf5 Rxf5 53.Nd5 Rxd5 54.Qxf6+ Kh3 55.Qf1+ Kh4 56.Qf4 Rd3 57.Rh1+ Rh3 58.Qf6+ Kg3 59.Rg1+ Kh2 60.Qf2# 1-0 (60) Caissa Ai (2964)-Aks Mantissa (2678) Blitz 2023]

17.Bh6 Bh8 18.Nf5 d5 19.f4 Nc6 20.Qxd5 Qxd5 21.exd5 Rxe2 22.Rge1 Rxe1 23.Rxe1 gxf5 24.Rg1+ Bg7 25.dxc6 Bxc6 26.Bxg7 h5 27.Bxf6+ Kf8 28.Rg5 Bf3 29.Rxf5 Rc8 30.c3 Rc6 31.Bd4 h4 32.Kd2 h3 33.Rf6 Rxf6 34.Bxf6 Ke8 35.Ke3 Bd5 36.b3 Kd7 37.c4 Be6 38.Kd4 Kd6 39.b4 Bd7 40.Be5+ Kc6 41.a4 Bg4 42.b5+ Kb6 43.Kc3 Bd1 44.Bd4+ Kc7 45.Kb4 Kd6 46.Ka5 axb5 47.axb5 Kc7 48.c5 Bf3 49.Be5+ Kd7 50.f5 Bg2 51.c6+ Bxc6 52.bxc6+ Kxc6 53.Kb4 Kd5 54.Bc3 f6 55.Bxf6 Ke4 56.Kc5 Kxf5 57.Bh4 Kg6 58.Kd4 Kh5 59.Be7 Kh6 60.Ke4 Kg7 61.Kf3 Kf7 62.Bg5 Kg7 63.Kg3 Kg6 64.Kg4 Kh7 65.Kxh3 Kg6 66.Kg4 Kg7 67.h4 Kg6 68.h5+ Kf7 69.Kf5 Kg7 70.h6+ Kf7 71.Be3 Kf8 72.Kf6 Ke8 73.h7 Kd7 74.h8Q Kc6 75.Qe8+ Kb7 76.Qd7+ Ka6 77.Qc6+ Ka5 78.Bd2# 1-0 (78) Leelamultiposs (2975)-Aks Mantissa (2585) Blitz 2023

[95] **10.h4** Ne5 11.g5 Nh5 12.Rg1 Bb7 13.0-0-0 Rc8 14.Be2 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Nce2 0-0 17.Kb1 Qd7 18.Nb3 Rfc8 19.c3 Qc7 20.Bd4 a5 21.Bxg7 Nxg7 22.Nbd4 Qb6 23.Rc1 R4c5 24.Rgd1 a4 25.a3 e5 26.Nc2 d5 27.Ng3 Ne6 28.Ne3 dxe4 29.Nxe4 Bxe4+ 30.fxe4 Nf4 31.Ng4 Kg7 32.Nxe5 Rxe5 33.Qxf4 Qe6 34.Rd4 Rc4 35.Re1 f5 36.gxf6+ Qxf6 37.Qg3 Qe6 38.Qd3 Rc7 39.Rd6 Qg4 40.Qd4 Rce7 41.Rd5 Qf4 42.Rxb5 Kh6 43.Rxe5 Rxe5 44.Qe3 Qxe3 45.Rxe3 Kh5 46.Kc2 Kxh4 47.Kd3 Kg4 48.Kd4 Re8 49.e5 Kf5 50.c4

Rd8+ 51.Kc5 g5 52.e6 g4 53.e7 Re8 54.Kd6 Kf4 55.Kd7 Kxe3 56.Kxe8 g3 57.Kd7 g2 58.e8Q+ Kd4 59.Qg8 1-0 (59) Aspiringstar (2973)-Prul1979 (2726) Blitz 2024

10.g5 Nh5 11.Nd5 [11.Nce2 Bb7 12.Ng3 Nxg3 13.hxg3 Ne5 14.b3 Nxf3+ 15.Nxf3 Bxa1 16.Bd4 Bxd4 17.Qxd4 e5 18.Nxe5 dxe5 19.Qxe5+ Kd7 20.Bh3+ Kc6 21.0-0 f5 22.exf5 Re8 23.Bg2+ Kb6 24.Qg7 Bxg2 25.Kxg2 Qd5+ 26.Kh3 Re2 27.Qf6+ Ka5 28.Qc3+ Kb6 29.Qf6+ Qc6 30.fxg6 hxg6 31.Qd4+ Ka5 32.Rf4 Rh8+ 33.Kg4 Qe6+ 34.Kf3 Re8 35.Qc3+ Kb6 36.Rf6 Kb7 37.Rxe6 R8xe6 38.Qg7+ Kb6 39.Qd4+ Kc6 40.c4 bxc4 41.bxc4 R2e5 42.Kf4 Rf5+ 43.Kg4 Rfe5 44.Kh3 Re4 45.Qd5+ Kc7 46.c5 R4e5 47.Qd4 Kc6 48.Qc4 Re7 49.Qxa6+ Kxc5 50.Qxg6 Rxg5 51.Qxg5+ Re5 52.Qe7+ 1-0 (52) Kelevra317 (2871)-Sina Iran (2822) Blitz 2021]

11...Bb7 12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.Kb1 e6 14.Nc3 0-0 15.a3 Ne5 16.Qf2 Rxc3 17.bxc3 Qc7 18.c4 Nxc4 19.Bxc4 bxc4 20.c3 d5 21.exd5 Bxd5 22.Ka2 Nf4 23.Bxf4 Qxf4 24.Qd2 Qc7 25.Rhe1 Rd8 26.f4 Bf8 27.Rb1 Qa5 28.Qc1 Bd6 29.h4 Qc7 30.Qb2 Bxf4 31.Re2 Qd7 32.Qc2 Bd6 33.h5 Qe7 34.hxg6 hxg6 35.Rb6 Qxg5 36.Rxa6 Bc5 37.Nc6 Rc8 38.Ne5 Be3 39.Ra5 Qxe5 40.Rb5 Qf4 41.a4 Bc5 42.Qb2 Bf8 43.a5 Ra8 44.Rf2 Qc7 45.Kb1 Rxa5 46.Rxa5 Qxa5 47.Rh2 Be4+ 48.Kc1 Bd6 49.Rh4 Qg5+ 50.Qd2 Ba3+ 51.Kd1 Bf3+ 52.Ke1 Qg1# 0-1 (52) Kelevra317 (2891)-Sina Iran (2802) Blitz 2021

10.a3 Bb7 11.h4 Ne5 12.Be2 h5 13.g5 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.0-0-0 0-0 17.f5 Nc5 18.fxg6 fxg6 19.Qe2 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Bxe4 21.Ne6 Qc8 22.Nxf8 c3 23.Nxg6 Bxg6 24.Bd4 cxb2+ 25.Kb1 e5 26.Bxb2 Rb8 27.Ka1 Rxb2 28.Kxb2 e4+ 29.Kc1 Qc3 0-1 (29) Nindja64 (2831)-Sina Iran (2708) Blitz 2021

[96] **10...Bb7** 11.h4 [11.Kb1 Qc7 12.h4 Ne5 13.h5 Rc8 14.h6 Bf8 15.g5 Nfd7 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Qxc4 18.Rhe1 Nc5 19.Bf2 b4 20.Nd5 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 Bxd5 22.b3 Qc3 23.Re2 Qxd2 24.Rdxd2 Bb7 25.Rd3 Kd7 26.f5 gxf5 27.Nxf5 Rg8 28.Bh4 Rg6 29.Rde3 e6 30.Ng3 d5 31.Rf3 Ke8 32.Nh5 f5 33.Rxf5 Be7 34.Ng7+ Kd7 35.Rfe5 Rc6 36.Nh5 Bc8 37.Nf6+ Bxf6 38.gxf6 Ke8 39.Rxd5 Rxh6 40.Rd8+ Kf7 41.Bg5 Rg6 42.Bd2 a5 43.Rh2 Kxf6 44.Rxh7 Ba6 45.Kb2 Rg2 46.Rhd7 Ke5 47.Rd4 Rc5 48.Bf4+ Kf5 49.Rf8+ Kg4 50.Rd2 Rxd2 51.Bxd2 Bb7 52.Rg8+ Kf5 53.c4 bxc3+ 54.Bxc3 Be4 55.Rf8+ Kg4 56.Rg8+ Kf5 57.Rf8+ Kg4 58.Bd4 Rd5 59.Be3 Bf5 60.Rg8+ Kf3 61.Bb6 Ke4 62.Rf8 Kd3 63.Ka3 Ke4 64.Ra8 Rd2 65.Rxa5 Rd5 66.Rc5 Rd3 67.Rc4+ Kf3 68.Rb4 Ke2 69.Ka4 Rd2 70.a3 Ra2 71.Kb5 Bc2 72.a4 Ra3 73.a5 Rxb3 74.Rxb3 Bxb3 75.a6 Bd5 76.a7 Ba8 77.Bd4 e5 78.Bxe5 1-0 (78) Miawlet (2875)-Sina Iran (2749) Blitz 2021]

[11.g5 Nh5 12.Nce2 Ne5 13.Ng3 Nxg3 14.hxg3 Rc8 15.Kb1 Nxf3 16.Nxf3 Bxe4 17.Rh2 Bxf3 18.Re1 0-0 19.Bg2 Bg4 20.Reh1 Bf5 21.Rc1 Be5 22.Bh3 Qd7 23.Rch1 h5 24.gxh6 Kh7 25.Bxf5 Qxf5

26.Rf2 Qe4 27.Rhf1 f6 28.Bf4 Rc7 29.Re2 Qc4 30.g4 Rfc8 31.g5 f5 32.Qe3 Rc5 33.b3 Qe6 34.Qd3 a5 35.Rfe1 a4 36.Bxe5 dxe5 37.Qg3 axb3 38.axb3 e4 39.Qf4 Rxc2 40.Rxc2 Qxb3+ 41.Rb2 Qd3+ 42.Ka1 Ra8+ 43.Ra2 Qc3+ 44.Kb1 Qxe1+ 45.Kc2 Rxa2+ 46.Kb3 Qb1+ 47.Kc3 Qb2# 0-1 (47) Medarde94 (2815)-Sina Iran (2784) Blitz 2021]

11...b4

[11...Ne5 12.h5 Rc8 13.h6 Bf8 14.g5 Nxf3 15.Nxf3 Nxe4 16.Qd4 Nxc3 17.bxc3 e5 18.Qg4 Rxc3 19.Bd3 Be7 20.Bd2 Rc8 21.Rhe1 0-0 22.Kb1 Qc7 23.Bc1 Rfe8 24.Bb2 Bf8 25.Nd2 d5 26.Qg3 Bd6 27.Qf2 Re6 28.Nb3 Rce8 29.Bf1 d4 30.Bh3 R6e7 31.Qf6 Kf8 32.Qh8# 1-0 (32) Mikegscarn (2927)-Sina Iran (2677) Blitz 2021]

12.Nce2 Qa5 13.h5 Ne5 14.h6 Nc4 15.Nb3 Qxa2 16.Qd4 0-0 17.Qxc4 a5 18.Nf4 Ba6 19.Qd4 Bh8 20.Bxa6 a4 21.Bc4 d5 22.exd5 Nh5 23.Nxg6 hxg6 24.h7+ Kxh7 25.gxh5 g5 26.Qd3+ Kg8 27.Nd4 Rfc8 28.Bxa2 Rxc2+ 29.Nxc2 Bxb2+ 30.Kxb2 Kf8 31.d6 a3+ 32.Kc1 Rc8 33.dxe7+ Kxe7 34.Qd7+ 1-0 (34) Botswana Compute (2994)-Crazyara (2721) Blitz 2024

[97] **14.Be2** Rb8 15.Qa3 Bb5 16.Ncxb5 axb5 17.Nxb5

[17.g5 Nfd7 18.Nxb5 Nxf3 19.h4 Nde5 20.Qb3 Qd7 21.Kb1 Nc6 22.e5 Nfxe5 *(22...Ncxe5 23.a4 Ra8 24.Bc1 Rfb8 25.Bxf3 Nxf3 26.Qxf3 Rxa4 27.Na3 Bxb2 28.Bxb2 Rab4 29.Nc4 Qb5 30.Qc3 e5 31.Rh3 Rxc4 32.Qb3 Rc5 33.Qxb5 Rcxb5 34.Rb3 Rxb3 35.cxb3 Rxb3 36.Rxd6 Kf8 37.Kc2 Re3 38.Rd5 Rh3 39.Bxe5 Ke7 40.Bf6+ Ke6 41.Re5+ Kd7 42.Re4 Kd6 43.Rf4 Ke6 44.Bd4 Kd5 45.Bf2 Ke6 46.Rf6+ Ke7 47.Bc5+ Ke8 48.Rf4 Rg3 49.Bb4 Rh3 50.Bc3 Ke7 51.Kb3 Rh1 52.Kc4 Ke6 53.Rf6+ Ke7 54.Kd5 Rd1+ 55.Bd4 Rd2 56.Rf1 Ke8 57.Rb1 Ke7 58.Rb6 Rd1 59.Rc6 Rd2 60.Rc4 Kd7 61.Ra4 Ke7 62.Ra7+ Kf8 63.Rc7 Rd1 64.Rc8+ Ke7 65.Ra8 Kd7 66.Ra2 Ke7 67.Ra6 Rd2 68.Ra4 Rd1 69.Ra3 Rd2 70.Ra7+ Kf8 71.Ra5 Ke7 72.Ra8 Rd1 73.Ra3 Rd2 74.Ra6 Rd1 75.Ra7+ Kf8 76.Ra1 Rd2 77.Ra8+ Ke7 78.Rh8 Rd1 79.Rxh7 Rf1 80.Bf6+ Ke8 81.h5 gxh5 82.Bd4 Ke7 83.g6 Rf5+ 84.Kc6 Rf3 85.g7 Rg3 86.Rh8 Rg6+ 87.Kc7 Rg2 88.g8Q Rc2+ 89.Kb6 h4 90.Qg5+ Kd6 91.Rd8+ Ke6 92.Qe5# 1-0 (92) Komododragon (3568)-Lczero Dag Bord Lf (3589) tcec-chess.com INT 2022)* 23.Bc1 Rfd8 24.h5 d5 25.Qh3 Qxh3 26.Rxh3 gxh5 27.a4 Ng4 28.Rf1 Nge5 29.Bxh5 Ng6 30.Rd1 Nce5 31.c3 Nc6 32.Ka2 e6 33.b3 Rb7 34.Be2 Rbb8 35.Rdh1 Nf8 36.b4 e5 37.Kb3 Rb6 38.Be3 d4 39.Bf2 Nb8 40.Bd3 Na6 41.c4 Ne6 42.Bxh7+ Kf8 43.Bf5 Rdb8 44.Be1 Rc6 45.Bd2 Nf4 46.Rf3 Ne6 47.Ka3 Nac7 48.Nxc7 Rxc7 49.c5 e4 50.Bxe4 d3 51.Rxd3 Be5 52.Rd5 Bg7 53.b5 Kg8 54.c6 Re8 55.g6 f5 56.Rxf5 Bd4 57.Bd5 Ra7 58.Rf3 Rc7 59.b6 Rcc8 60.c7 Bc5+ 61.Kb3 Bd4 62.Rh7 Ra8 63.b7 Ra6 64.b8Q Rb6+ 65.Qxb6 Bxb6 66.Bxe6+ Rxe6 67.c8Q+ Re8 68.Qxe8# 1-0 (68) Lczero Dag Bord Lf (3589)-Komododragon (3568) tcec-chess.

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17...Nxf3 18.Ba7 Ne5 19.Bxb8 Qxb8 20.Rd4 Nexg4 21.Rb4 Qc8 22.Nc3
[22.Bxg4 Nxg4 23.Kb1 Qc5 24.Rb3 Qg5 25.h4 Qd2 26.Qb4 Qg2 27.Rd1 Ne5 28.a4 Nc6 29.Qe1 h5 30.a5 Qg4 31.Rdd3 Qd7 32.Ra3 Ne5 33.Rdb3 Nc4 34.Ra4 Nxb2 35.Rab4 Ra8 36.Rxb2 Rxa5 37.c3 Qh3 38.Rc2 Bf6 39.Qd1 Ra8 40.Nc7 Bxc3 41.Nxa8 Bxb4 42.Rf2 d5 43.Qxd5 e6 44.Qd4 Qg3 45.e5 Be7 46.Nb6 Bxh4 47.Rc2 Bg5 48.Nc4 Bf4 49.Rc3 Qg5 50.Rf3 Qf5+ 51.Qd3 Qg4 52.Rf1 h4 53.Nb2 Bxe5 54.Qd7 Qd4 55.Qxf7+ Kh8 56.Qf2 Qe4+ 57.Qc2 Qb7 58.Re1 Bg7 59.Rxe6 Qh1+ 60.Nd1 Qb7+ 61.Kc1 Bh6+ 62.Ne3 Qf7 63.Re4 Kg7 64.Qc5 Kg8 65.Kd2 Qa2+ 66.Kd3 Qb1+ 67.Qc2 Qxc2+ 68.Nxc2 Bg5 69.Nd4 Kf7 70.Nf3 Bf6 71.Nxh4 1-0 (71) Komododragon (3600)-Stockfish Dev15 (3617) tcec-chess.com INT 2022]
22...Ne5 23.Kb1 h5 24.Rd1 Qh3 25.Nd5 Qxh2 26.Nxe7+ Kh7 27.Bb5 Nfg4 28.Nd5 Nf2 29.Re1 f5 30.exf5 Rxf5 31.Ne3 Rf3 32.Nf1 Qg2 33.Rb3 Rf4 34.Qxd6 Ne4 35.Qd1 Nf3 36.Rxf3 Rxf3 37.Rxe4 Rxf1 38.Re1 Rf6 39.a4 Rf5 40.c3 Rd5 41.Qe2 Qg3 42.Qe7 Qg4 43.Qf7 Rd2 44.Qe6 Qf4 45.Re2 Rd8 46.Kc2 h4 47.Qe3 Qxe3 48.Rxe3 Rc8 49.Bd7 Ra8 50.b4 Kh6 51.a5 Ra7 52.Rd3 Kg5 53.Bc8 Rc7 54.Bh3 Rc6 55.Kb3 Ra6 56.Bc8 Ra8 57.Bb7 Ra7 58.a6 h3 59.Rxh3 Be5 60.Rh7 Bf6 61.c4 Be5 62.c5 Kf6 63.b5 g5 64.b6 Rxa6 65.Bxa6 Kf5 66.c6 Kg6 67.Rd7 g4 68.c7 Bxc7 69.bxc7 1-0 (69) Stockfish Dev15 (3617)-Komododragon (3600) tcec-chess.com INT 2022

98 **8.Bb5** Chris Ward: '?!' Chris Ward: 'So to reiterate, when I saw these two computer games with this move I couldn't help but question life as I know it. As if reality isn't tough enough to swallow as it is these days but this looked ridiculous. Given White wants to keep control of the c4-square, he certainly shouldn't be seeking to trade off this bishop right now so played now this move makes little sense. Again though there is another far more plausible move order that would occur after' Chris Ward: 'now threatening Nf5 with no repercussions to b2. So the black queen needs to move and as protecting c6 is a requirement,'
8...Qc7 Chris Ward: 'So remember, although I afforded 8 Bb5 with a '?!', the 3448 rated engine isn't responsible for that move and equally here although the text isn't bad, surely is necessary reaching this game position after move 9 in a far more logical way.'
[8...Bd7 is more natural whilst the pawn offering]
[8...0-0!? 9.Nxc6 *(or 9.Bxc6 bxc6 10.Nxc6 Qc7 11.Nd4 Rb8)* 9...bxc6 10.Bxc6 Rb8 looks like fun too!]
9.Be2
[Tempting is 9.Nd5 but after Nxd5 10.exd5 a6 11.Bxc6+ *(11.Ba4* allows the tactical defence and ensuing forced sequence *Qa5+ 12.c3 Qxd5 13.Nxc6 Qxd1+ 14.Rxd1 Bd7 15.Nxe7 Bxa4 16.Nd5 Bxd1 17.Nc7+ Ke7 18.Nxa8 Bxf3 19.gxf3 Rxa8* which left Black a clear pawn up

in Godoy Bugueno,D (2340)-Silva Lillo,S (2360) Santiago de Chile 1994.*; 11.Nxc6 axb5 12.Bd4 bxc6 13.Bxg7 Rg8 14.Bc3 cxd5 15.Qxd5 Qb7* is equal chances.*)* 11...bxc6 12.Nxc6 0-0 13.c3 Bb7 14.Nb4 Rab8 Black has good play for the pawn.]

[9.Qd2 0-0 10.h4 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bb3 b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.Bxd5 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Bb7 17.Bb3 a5 18.h5 Qc5 19.Qxc5 dxc5 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Bc4 Rfd8 22.Rd1 Kg7 23.Ke2 Bc6 24.Ke3 a4 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.g3 g5 27.Be2 e5 28.g4 Be8 29.Bc4 Rd4 30.Bd3 Rd6 31.Bc4 Rd4 32.Be2 Rd8 33.Rc1 Kf8 34.c3 Ke7 35.cxb4 cxb4 36.Rc7+ Rd7 37.Rc5 f6 38.Ra5 Rd4 39.Bd3 Kd6 40.Bc2 b3 41.axb3 axb3 42.Bxb3 Rb4 43.Ra6+ Kc5 44.Bd1 Bc6 45.b3 Rb6 46.Rxb6 Kxb6 47.Kd2 Kc5 48.Kc3 Bb5 49.b4+ Kb6 50.Kd2 Bf1 51.Ba4 Bc4 52.Bd7 Bf1 53.Ba4 Bc4 54.Be8 Bf1 55.Bd7 Ba6 56.Be6 Bf1 57.Ke1 Ba6 58.Kd2 Bf1 59.Bd7 Bc4 60.Ba4 Bf1 61.Be8 Bc4 62.Bd7 Bf1 63.Be8 Bc4 64.Ba4 Bf1 65.Ke1 Bb5 66.Bb3 Ba6 67.Kd2 Bb5 68.Bf7 Bf1 69.Ke1 Ba6 70.Kd2 Bf1 71.Ke1 Ba6 72.Kd2 Bf1 ½-½ (73) Reinforcementtrial (2841)-Misteick (2465) Rapid 2023]

9...a6 10.Qd2 Chris Ward: 'With reference to the whole move order discussion, evidently this bishop wasn't interested in trading itself after all!' 10...Bd7 Chris Ward: 'And this is effectively where the two super engines disagree as in the reverse fixture, White favoured' 11.Nd5

[11.g4 b5 There's not going to any early endgames this time though! 12.0-0-0 *(* Safeguarding the white steed's home on c3 is *12.a3* . However if White still intends castling long then creation of a half-open file towards the king isn't far away and that's exactly what happened in a rare human encounter: *Qb7 13.h4 h6 14.0-0-0 b4 15.axb4 Qxb4* Suddenly there are serious dangers approaching along the b-file and so after showing aggression, White now decided on *16.Na2* when *Qxd2+ 17.Rxd2 a5 18.Nc3 a4* was headed towards an equal ending in Gritsaenko,V (2426) -Baklanov,V (2461) ICCF email 2008.*)* 12...Rc8 13.Nxc6 *(* Note there is no time for *13.h4?* here as after *b4 14.Nd5?* isn't possible as *Nxd5 15.exd5 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Bxd4* leaves White unable to recapture on d4 because of the mate on c2. *)* 13...Bxc6 Of course ...b4 is renewed as a threat with 14 a3 certainly possible but not wishing to move pawns around the king, White is looking to do without that. 14.g5 Nd7 *(14...b4 15.gxf6 bxc3 16.Qxc3 Bxf6 17.Bd4* would favour White as the a6-pawn is hanging.*)* 15.h4 *(* Still White avoids *15.a3* and certainly *0-0 16.h4 Rb8 17.h5? b4* looks far more promising for Black.*)* 15...b4 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.exd5 0-0 In general this feels safer now with the white pawn on g5 as even if White could crash through the h-file, once the f8-rook has moved, still the Dragon bishop needs to be negotiated in order for mate to be delivered. That's easier said than done and white needs to monitor the c2-point too. 18.Kb1 With reference to my last comment

White wants to secure his own king position before continuing an offensive. *(18.Bxa6?* doesn't even warrant consideration as aside from the obvious ...Ra8, Black has *Qa5! 19.Bxc8 Rxc8!* White's lack of defenders is obvious and *20.Kb1 Ra8 21.a3 Bxb2!* is just one cute sequence. *)* 18...Nb6 19.Bxb6 A clear sign to me at least that White has no advantage. Qxb6 More conventional engines initially suggest that White might have a microscopic advantage but upon reflection change their minds. My judgement is that more often than not the dark-squared bishop rules! 20.h5 Progressive but mate down the h-file will be practically impossible without an infiltration possible on h8. a5 On the other hand Black has a plan of ...a4 and either ...b3 to open files or ...a3 to open the Dragon bishop diagonal. 21.hxg6 hxg6 Recapturing towards the centre perfectly correct as there won't be a mate down the h-file unless White can treble major pieces there. 22.Bd3 *(*Upon *22.Rh3 Rc7 23.Rdh1 Rfc8 24.Bd1 Rc4* the point is that *25.Qh2* can be met by *Qd4!* Black is of course threatening mate on b2 whilst *26.Rh8+ Bxh8 27.Qh7+ Kf8 28.Qxh8+ Qxh8 29.Rxh8+ Kg7* sees White run out of rooks!*;* After *22.Rh4* Black also has the annoying *Qf2!?* as after *23.Rdh1 Rc5* White can't get his queen to the h-file anyway.*)* 22...Qd4! 23.Qc1 A bit passive although now the discovered attack Bxg6 is threatened. Qa7 24.Qd2 a4! The black queen may have temporarily retreated from its central post but there is still obvious plans involving ...b3 and/or ...a3. 25.Qh2 Rfd8 Vacating the f8-square for the black king meaning White's next move leads to nothing. 26.Qh7+ Kf8 27.Rh4 If White could sneak in Rdh1 then his two rooks could deliver mate down the h-file through either Qh8+ or Qxg7+. That's not going to happen though! Qe3! The d4-square was unavailable but the queen has plenty of options from here. 28.Rxb4 *(*Upon *28.Rdh1* , *Qe5* deals with White's h-file threats whilst bringing mate on b2 into play. Then *29.Rxb4 Rb8* is great compensation (29...a3 being similar to the game). However equally Black could just take that g5-pawn as there is no mating net without the pawn on g5 covering the black king escape route on f6.*)* 28...a3 29.Qh4 *(29.bxa3?* and the opening of that long diagonal is what Black is after when for example *Qe5 30.Kc1 Qxg5+ 31.f4 Qxd5 32.Bxg6 Qxa2* is all in Black's favour.*)* 29...Qe5 30.Qf4 With Black doing the attacking, naturally White is the one that wants the queens off. Qxd5 31.Rh1 Qe6 *(*Simply avoiding *31...axb2 32.Bxg6)* 32.bxa3 White is actually a pawn up here but Black appreciates that his structure is far superior. Rc5 33.a4 Kg8 Freeing up the queen to move without worrying about Bxg6. 34.Rb5 Qd5! 35.a3 Ra8 36.Qb4 e6! *(* Remaining calm and correctly avoiding *36...Qxf3?! 37.Rf1! Qg2 38.Qf4* with counterplay down the f-file. *)* 37.Rb8+ *(* Unappetising is *37.Rxc5 dxc5 38.Qb3 Qe5)* 37...Rc8 It's a scary World where even computers seemingly 'enjoy' torturing

their opponents! I mean I doubt it felt the need to 'show who is boss' or repeat to gain time on the clock but all the same I feel confident that next time around 38.Rb5 would have been met by Rc5 *(38...Qxf3* White appears to appreciate that but there is a breakdown in logic somewhere!*)* 39.Rb8+ Rc8 40.Rxc8+ Rxc8 41.a5 Qxf3 42.Rf1 Qa8! Bringing ...Rb8 into play. Though level on pawns now, clearly Black's structure is far superior and compared to White's stragglers on the queenside, a potential monster of connected passed black pawns is brewing on the kingside. 43.a6 Rb8 44.Bb5 Be5 45.Qb3 Qe4 46.a4 Given they are getting closer to the end of the board, although your average human might have concerns about White's passed pawns, Black acknowledges that the presence of opposite coloured bishops twinned with the exposed nature of the white king means that everything is under control! Rc8 47.Bd3 Qd4 Mate of course threatened on a1! 48.Ka2 d5 Logically advancing the pawns onto opposite coloured squares from the bishop whilst side-stepping the cheapo Bxg6. 49.Rb1 Bd6 50.Bb5 Rc3 *(50...Rc7* looked most calm to me but the 3536 rated engine isn't worried by White's advanced a-pawn!*)* 51.a7 Rc8 52.Bd7 Ra8 53.Qb6 Qc4+! 54.Qb3 Qa6 55.Qb6 Rxa7 Black would rather have preserved the queens but the removal of this pawn sweetens the deal. 56.Qxa6 Rxa6 57.Kb3 Ra7 58.Bb5 Rc7 59.Rf1 *(*Upon *59.a5* Black would bag another pawn through *Be7 60.Rg1 Rc5 61.Ka4 Rxc2)* 59...Bc5 I think we can accept that Black has good winning chances and the rest of the game is simply evidence as to how even computers can be ground down! 60.Rf3 Bb6 61.c3 Ba5 62.Rh3 Rc8 63.Rf3 Bd8 64.Rg3 Bc7 65.Rf3 Ba5 66.Bd7 Rd8 67.Bc6 d4 68.cxd4 Rxd4 69.Be8 Rb4+ 70.Ka3 Rb7 71.Bb5 Rc7 72.Kb3 Kf8 73.Bc4 Kg7 74.Bb5 Bd2 75.Rd3 Bxg5 76.a5 Bh4 77.Rf3 g5 78.a6 g4 79.Rf1 f5 80.Bc4 Kf6 81.Rh1 Bg5 82.Re1 e5 83.Bd5 Bd2 84.Re2 Ba5 85.Rc2 Rxc2 86.Kxc2 Bb6 87.Bh1 e4 Anyone for a resignation? 88.Kc3 Ba7 89.Bg2 Ke5 90.Bf1 Kf4 91.Be2 Kg3 92.Bd1 Kh2 93.Kc4 Kh3 94.Kd5 g3 95.Ke6 g2 96.Ba4 g1Q 97.Kf7 Apparently not! Kg3 98.Bc6 Qc1 99.Bb7 Qc7+ 100.Kf6 Qb6+ 101.Kxf5 e3 102.Bf3 Kxf3 0-1 (102) ScorpioNN (3448)-AllieStein v0.8-120f959_net-1 (3536) tcec-chess.com INT 2020 The Week in Chess 1351 [Chris Ward]]

11...Nxd5 12.exd5 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 0-0 15.0-0-0 Chris Ward: 'Some natural moves occurred in the form of' 15...Rfc8 16.Rd2 Qc5 17.h4 Chris Ward: 'with the queen trade' 17...Qxd4 18.Rxd4 Bb5 19.Bd1 Rc4 20.Rd2 Rc5 21.b3 h6 22.Kb2 Bd7 23.Re1 Kf8 Chris Ward: 'leading to a fairly equal ending similar in nature to those that can be reached via the 9 g4 Be6 10 0-0-0 Nxd4 11 Bxd4 Qa5 line. Oh go on then seeing as I've built up the strength of the 'competitors' involved, I'll provide the whole game but you might not want to play over it all!:' 24.a3 b5 25.Re3 Rc7 26.Be2 a5

27.g4 Rb8 28.c3 Rb6 29.Bf1 Rb8 30.Be2 Rc5 31.Bf1 Rc7 32.Rd1 Rbc8 33.Rd4 Rc5 34.Rd2 R5c7 35.Rd4 Rc5 36.Rd2 R5c7 37.g5 h5 38.Rh2 Rc5 39.Rd2 R5c7 40.Rd4 Rb8 41.Rd1 Bf5 42.f4 Bg4 43.Rd2 Bd7 44.Rg2 Rc5 45.Rd2 Rc7 46.Rd1 Bg4 47.Rd4 Bf5 48.b4 Ra7 49.Re1 Bd7 50.Rde4 Bf5 51.R4e3 Bc8 52.Rb1 Bf5 53.Rc1 Bg4 54.Ra1 Bd7 55.Re4 Rc8 56.Ree1 Rca8 57.Re2 Rc8 58.Re3 Rb8 59.Re2 Rc8 60.Ree1 Rca8 61.Rec1 Rc8 62.Rd1 Rb8 63.Rd3 Bf5 64.Rd4 Bd7 65.Re1 Rba8 66.Re3 Rb8 67.Rde4 Bf5 68.Rd4 Bd7 69.Rd1 Bg4 70.Rc1 Bf5 71.Rd1 Bg4 72.Rde1 Bf5 73.Kb3 Rbb7 74.Ka2 Rb8 75.Kb2 Bc8 76.Rg3 Bf5 77.Rd1 Ra6 78.Rd2 Bd7 79.Rdg2 Ra7 80.Rc2 Ra6 81.Rcg2 Rb7 82.Re2 Raa7 83.Rge3 Bc8 84.Rg3 Bd7 85.Ree3 Ra8 86.Rg2 Raa7 87.Kc1 Ra8 88.Kb2 Bf5 89.Rh2 Raa7 90.Ka1 Bd7 91.Kb1 Ra8 92.Kb2 Raa7 93.Rd2 Rb8 94.Rd4 Rbb7 95.Rde4 Bf5 96.Rd4 Rb8 97.a4 axb4 98.Bxb5 bxc3+ 99.Rxc3 e6 100.Rc6 Ke7 101.dxe6 Bxe6 102.Kc3 Bd7 103.Ra6 Rxa6 104.Bxa6 d5 105.Rb4 Ra8 106.Bb5 Kd6 107.Rb3 Bxb5 108.axb5 Kc5 109.b6 Rb8 110.b7 Kc6 111.Kd4 Rxb7 112.Rxb7 Kxb7 113.Kxd5 Kc7 114.Ke5 Kd7 115.Kf6 Ke8 116.Kg7 Ke7 117.Kh6 Kd7 118.Kh7 ½-½ (118) AllieStein v0.8-120f959_net-1 (3536)-ScorpioNN (3448) tcec-chess.com INT 2020 Chris Ward: '1/2-1/2 (118) AllieStein v0.8-120f959 net-1 (3536)-ScorpioNN 3.0.8.3 (3448) tcec-chess. com INT 2020 Not exactly a thriller!'

99 **8...Nxd4** 9.Bxd4 Be6
[9...0-0 10.h4 Be6 11.h5 Qa5 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.0-0-0 Bxa2 14.Nxa2 Qxa2 15.c3 b5 16.Bxb5 Rab8 17.Qe2 Rfc8 18.e5 dxe5 19.Bxe5 Rb6 20.Rh4 Rc5 21.Bc4+ Rxc4 22.Qxc4+ Qxc4 23.Rxc4 1-0 (23) Bmwhero (2854)-Sina Iran (2824) Blitz 2021]
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31.Rf1 Kg7 32.Qd7 Re3 33.Qxd6 Rg2 34.Kb1 Qh8 35.Qc5 Qe8 36.d6 Rxd3 37.cxd3 Qe2 0-1 (37) Vistagausta (2903)-Chesselation94 (2715) Blitz 2025]

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14...Bxd5 15.exd5 Qa5 16.Bc4 Rfc8 17.b3

[17.Bb3 Qb5 18.Qd3 Qxd3 19.Rxd3 Nd7 20.Re1 Ne5 21.Bxe5 Bxe5 22.Re4 a5 23.Ba4 Rc7 24.Bc6 Rb8 25.g5 f5 26.Rc4 Kf7 27.f4 Bg7 28.Re3 Kf8 29.a4 bxa3 30.Rxa3 Bxb2 31.Rac3 Bxc3+ 0-1 (31) Kelevra317 (2924)-Norolex (2786) Blitz 2022]

17...Rxc4 18.bxc4 Rc8 19.Qd3 Nd7 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qd4+ Ne5 22.Qb2 Kg8 23.Rd4 Nxf3 24.h5 Nxd4 25.Qxd4 Qc5 26.Qd2 Qxc4 27.hxg6 fxg6 28.Re1 Qxg4 29.Rxe7 Rf8 30.Kb2 Qc4 31.Re6 Qc5 32.Qd3 Kg7 33.Re7+ Rf7 34.Re6 a5 35.Re4 Rc7 36.Qe2 Qxd5 37.Re7+ Rxe7 38.Qxe7+ Qf7 0-1 (38) Vistagausta (2945)-Norolex (2838) Blitz 2022

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10.Kb1 a6 11.Be2

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48.Kd5 g5 49.b4 1-0 (49) Herushkanamura (2891)-Masterof64 (2770) Blitz 2022

100 **9...0-0** 10.Kb1 [A would have thought this useful insertion would be the natural reaction of many who having deliberately deployed the 9 0-0-0 rather than 9 Bc4 might be reluctant to continue with 10.Bc4 in case it gets a bit too 'Soltisy'! Bd7 *(10...Na5 11.Be2 Bd7 12.Kb1 Rc8 13.h3 a6 14.g4 Re8 15.Rhg1 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Nf5 gxf5 18.gxf5 Kh8 19.Bh6 Rg8 20.Bxg7+ Rxg7 21.Rxg7 Kxg7 22.Nd5 Rc8 23.Rg1+ Kh7 24.Qg5 Qh8 25.Nxf6+ Qxf6 26.Qxh5+ Qh6 27.Qxf7+ Kh8 28.Qxe7 Be8 29.Qxb7 Rd8 30.Qe7 Rc8 31.f6 Bh5 32.b3 Qf8 33.Qd7 Rc5 34.Rg7 Be8 35.Rh7+ Kg8 36.Rg7+ Kh8 37.Qd8 Re5 38.Rc7 Kg8 39.Rg7+ Kh8 40.Rd7 Qg8 41.Rxd6 Re6 42.Kb2 a5 43.Rxe6 Qxe6 44.Qxa5 Qxf6+ 45.Qc3 Kg7 46.a4 Bh5 47.a5 Bxf3 48.a6 Bxe4 49.Qxf6+ Kxf6 50.Kc3 Ke5 51.h4 Bc6 52.h5 Bf3 53.h6 Be4 54.a7 Kf6 55.h7 Kg7 56.h8Q+ Kxh8 57.Kd4 Bg2 58.Ke5 Kg7 59.Kd6 Kf6 60.c4 Ba8 61.c5 Bf3 62.b4 Be4 63.b5 Bf3 64.c6 Kf5 65.b6 Kf4 66.b7 Bg2 67.a8Q Kf3 68.b8Q Kg4 69.Qg8+ Kf3 70.Qaf8+ Ke2 71.Qa2+ Kd3 72.Qff2 Bxc6 73.Qac2#* 1-0 (73) Leelamultiposs (2978)-Aks Mantissa (2576) Blitz 2023*; 10...a6 11.Kb1 Bd7 12.Bb3 b5 13.h4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 a5 15.e5 dxe5 16.Bxe5 Bc6 17.Qg5 Qb6 18.Qxg6 a4 19.Bxf6 exf6 20.Nd5 fxg6 21.Nxb6+ axb3 22.Nxa8 bxa2+ 23.Ka1 Rxa8 24.Rd6 Rc8 25.Kxa2 Kf7 26.Re1 Bf8 27.Rd3 b4 28.Kb1 Bb5 29.Rd5 Bc4 30.Ra5 b3 31.Ra7+ Kg8 32.cxb3 Bc5 33.bxc4 Bxa7 34.b3 Bd4 35.Kc2 Bf2 36.Re7 Bxh4 37.Kd3 Rb8 38.Kc2 Bg3 39.c5 Rb5 40.Re8+ Kf7 41.Rc8 Ke6 42.Rc6+ Ke5 43.Kc3 Kd5 44.Rxf6 Rxc5+ 45.Kd3 Rc6 46.Rf8 Rb6 47.Kc2 Ke5 48.Re8+ Kf4 49.Re4+ Kf5 50.Rc4 h4 51.b4 Be5 52.Kb3 Ke6 53.Rxh4 g5 54.Re4 Kf5 55.Ka4 Bd6 56.b5 Bc5 57.Ka5 Bf2 58.g4+ Kf6 59.Rc4 Rb8 60.Rc6+ Kf7 61.b6 Bg3 62.Ka6 Be5 63.b7 Rd8 64.Ka7 Rd6 65.Rc8 Ra6+ 66.Kxa6 Bd6 67.b8Q Ke6 68.Qb7 Bb8 69.Qc6+ Ke7 70.Rxb8 Kf7 71.Rb7+ Kf8 72.Qc8#* 1-0 (72) Next Touch (2811)-Hikarugirlfriend20 (2642) Blitz 2021 *)*

A) 11.Rhe1 Rc8 12.Bb3 Na5 13.Kb1 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Qd3 *(15.Nb3 Qc7 16.Bh6 Be6 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Nd4 Bd7 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Re8 21.Re3 Qc5 22.Nb3 Qc7 23.Rde1 Qb6 24.Ka1 Rec8 25.c3 Ra4 26.Nc1 Bf5 27.Rxe7 Rc5 28.Qg5 Rc7 29.Rxc7 Qxc7 30.Qe7 Qc5 31.Rd1 b5 32.Qe2 b4 33.c4 b3 34.Nxb3 Qb4 35.Nc1 Qxc4 36.Qd2 Ra6 37.b3 Qc7 38.Qd4+ Kh7 39.Qb2 Ra5 40.b4 Ra4 41.a3 a5 42.b5 Qc5 43.Ka2 Rc4 44.Nb3 Qxb5 45.Rd2 a4 46.Nd4 Qxb2+ 47.Kxb2 Bd7 48.Ne2 Kg7 49.Nc3 Kf6 50.g3 Ke5 51.f4+ Kf5 52.Re2 Kg4 53.h3+ Kxh3 54.g4 Bf5 55.g5* 1-0 (55) Virtualspace (2874)-Satlan (2737) Blitz 2023*)* 15...Qc8 16.h3 h4 17.Nb3 Re8 18.Bd4 b6 19.a3 Nh5 20.Nd5 Be6 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Nd4 Bxd5 23.exd5 Rc5 24.Nb3 Rc4 25.Re4

Rxe4 26.Qxe4 Qf5 27.Qxh4 Nf4 28.Nd4 Qe5 29.Qg4 Rh8 30.g3 Nh5 31.Nc6 Qxg3 32.Nxe7 Qe5 33.Nc6 Qe2 34.Qg1 Nf6 35.Nd4 Qe5 36.Re1 Qxd5 37.Re7 Rh5 38.Rxa7 Rxh3 39.Re7 Rh4 40.c3 Ng8 41.Re1 Nh6 42.Ka1 Rh5 43.Rd1 Qc5 44.Qe1 Nf5 45.f4 Nxd4 46.Rxd4 Rd5 47.Rb4 Rd3 48.Kb1 Qd5 49.Qe2 Rd1+ 50.Kc2 Rg1 51.Rd4 Rg2 52.Rxd5 Rxe2+ 53.Kb3 Re4 54.Rd4 Rxd4 55.cxd4 Kf6 56.Kc4 Ke6 57.a4 f6 58.d5+ Kd7 59.b3 Kc7 60.b4 Kb7 61.Kb3 Ka6 62.Kb2 Ka7 63.b5 Kb7 64.Kb1 Kc7 65.Kc1 Kd7 66.Kc2 Kc7 67.Kd1 Kb8 68.Kc2 Kb7 69.Kb2 Kc7 70.Kc3 Kb7 71.Kd4 Kc7 72.Ke3 Kd7 73.Ke2 Kc7 74.Kf3 Kd7 75.Kg4 Ke7 76.Kh4 Kd8 77.Kg3 Kd7 78.Kh4 Kd8 79.Kg4 Kc7 80.f5 g5 81.Kg3 Kd7 82.Kg4 Ke8 83.Kf3 Kd7 84.Ke2 Kc7 85.Kf3 Kc8 86.Kg3 Kd7 87.Kf3 Ke7 88.Kg2 Kd8 89.Kh3 Kc7 90.Kg2 Kb8 91.Kf1 Kc7 92.Ke2 Kd8 93.Kf1 Kd7 94.Kg2 Kc7 95.Kf3 Kb7 96.Kg2 Ka8 97.Kf3 Ka7 98.Kf2 Ka8 99.Kf1 Kb7 100.Kf2 Kc7 101.Ke3 Kd8 102.Ke2 Kc7 103.Kf2 Kd7 104.Kf1 Kd8 105.Ke1 Kc8 106.Kf2 Kd7 107.Kg2 Kc8 108.Kf3 Kc7 109.Kg2 Kb8 110.Kg3 Kc7 111.Kh3 Kc8 112.Kh2 Kc7 113.Kh3 Kb7 114.Kg3 Kc7 115.Kg4 Kd7 116.Kh3 Kc8 117.Kg4 Kc7 118.Kf3 ½-½ (118) Torombot (2945)-Nikitosikbot (2872) Rapid 2023;

B) 11.Kb1 Rb8 12.Bb3 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 b5 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.exd5 a5 17.a3 b4 18.a4 Qe8 19.Rhe1 Bxa4 20.Bxa4 Qxa4 21.Qd4+ Kg8 22.Rxe7 Rbc8 23.Rd2 Rfe8 24.b3 Qa3 25.Rde2 Rxe7 26.Rxe7 a4 27.Qf6 Rf8 28.Ra7 1-0 (28) Mikegscarn (2855)-Voat (2653) Blitz 2021;

C) 11.Bb3

C1) 11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 b5 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.exd5 a5 16.a3 b4 *(16...Qb6 17.Rhe1 Rfe8 18.Re4 Bf5 19.Rf4 a4 20.Ba2 Rac8 21.c3 f6 22.h4 Rc5 23.g4 hxg4 24.fxg4 Bd7 25.g5 Bf5 26.Re1 Qc7 27.Rxf5 gxf5 28.gxf6+ Kf7 29.Qe2 Rh8 30.fxe7 Ke8 31.Bb1 Rxd5 32.Ba2 Re5 33.Qf2 Qxe7 34.Rd1 Rxh4 35.Qb6 Kf8 36.Qb8+ Kg7 37.Qg8+ Kf6 38.Qg3 Rg4 39.Qh3 Qg7 40.Rxd6+ Re6 41.Rxe6+ Kg5 42.Qe3+ Kh4 43.Rh6+ Qxh6 44.Qxh6+ Kg3 45.Qe3+ Kh4 46.Be6 f4 47.Bxg4 fxe3 48.Be2 Kg3 49.Bxb5 Kf2 50.Kd1 e2+ 51.Bxe2 Ke3 52.Bb5 Ke4 53.Bxa4 Ke5 54.Kc2 Kd6 55.c4 Kc5 56.b4+ Kb6 57.Kc3 Kb7 58.c5 Kc7 59.Kc4 Kb7 60.b5 Kc7 61.b6+ Kb7 62.Kb5 Kb8 63.c6 Ka8 64.Bb3 Kb8 65.Be6 Ka8 66.Bd5 Kb8 67.c7+ Kc8 68.Be6+ Kb7 69.c8Q#* 1-0 (69) Vistagausta (2850)-Zoubkovavila (2662) Blitz 2023*)* 17.a4 Qb6 18.Rhe1 Rfe8 19.h3 Rac8 20.g4 h4 21.Kb1 Qc5 22.Re4 f6 23.Rde1 e5 24.dxe6 Bc6 25.Rd4 Bxf3 26.Rxd6 Re7 27.Rd7 Rc7 28.Rxc7 Qxc7 29.g5 f5 30.Qd4+ Kh7

31.Qxh4+ Kg8 32.Qh6 Bh5 33.Ka2 f4 34.Rd1 Bxd1 35.Qxg6+ Kf8 36.Qf6+ Kg8 37.Qg6+ Kf8 38.Qh6+ Kg8 39.Qg6+ ½-½ (39) Vistagausta (2881)-Zoubkovavila (2754) Blitz 2023;

C2) 11...a5 12.a4 Rc8 13.Kb1 Ne5 14.Bh6 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.b3 Rb4 18.Rhe1 Qb6 19.Ndb5 Rc8 20.e5 dxe5 21.Rxe5 Be6 22.Kb2 Rc5 23.Qe3 Rc6 24.Qxb6 Rxb6 25.g3 h4 26.Na2 hxg3 27.hxg3 Nh5 28.Nxb4 axb4 29.g4 Nf4 30.Rd4 f6 31.Rc5 g5 32.a5 Ra6 33.Nc7 Ra7 34.Rxf4 1-0 (34) Vistagausta (2877)-Zoubkovavila (2758) Blitz 2023;

C3) 11...Na5 12.h3 *(12.Kb1 Rb8 13.h3 b5 14.g4 h4 15.Qf2 Nc4 16.Bc1 Qa5 17.Qxh4 Rfc8 18.Nde2 b4 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.Rxd5 Qc7 21.Qxe7 a5 22.Nd4 a4 23.Bxc4 Qxc4 24.b3 Qc7 25.Rh2 axb3 26.axb3 Qa7 27.Bb2 Ra8 28.Rxd6 Qa2+ 29.Kc1 Be8 30.Rd2 Ra7 31.Qg5 Rac7 32.Rd8 Bxd4 33.R8xd4 Qxb3 34.Rc4 Rxc4 35.Qf6 Rxc2+ 36.Kb1 Rxb2+ 37.Qxb2 Qxb2+ 38.Kxb2 Ba4 39.Rd4 Rc2+ 40.Kb1 Rf2 41.Rxb4 Bd7 42.Rb3 Rh2 43.Kc1 Rxh3 44.Kd2 Be6 45.Rb8+ Kg7 46.Ke2 Rh2+* 0-1 (46) Experience Chess (2849)-Bulletcoach (2680) Blitz 2025 *)* 12...Rb8 13.g4 b5 14.Rhg1 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Nf5 gxf5 17.gxf5 Kh7 18.Nd5 c3 19.bxc3 Nxd5 20.Rxg7+ Kxg7 21.Qg2+ Kh8 22.Qg5 Nf6 23.Bd4 Rb1+ 24.Kxb1 Kh7 25.Bxf6 Qb6+ 26.Ka1 exf6 27.Qxh5+ Kg7 28.Qg4+ Kh6 29.Rg1 Qxg1+ 30.Qxg1 Bb5 31.Qd4 Kg7 32.Qxd6 Re8 33.c4 Ba4 34.Kb2 a5 35.h4 Rg8 36.c5 Bb5 37.c6 Bxc6 38.Qxc6 Rh8 39.Qc7 a4 40.Kc1 Rh5 41.Kd2 Rh6 42.Qd6 Rh5 43.c4 Kh7 44.Qxf6 Kg8 45.c5 Rh7 46.c6 Rg7 47.c7 Kh7 48.c8Q Rg2+ 49.Kd3 Rg8 50.Qxf7+ Kh6 51.Qce6+ Rg6 52.Qexg6# 1-0 (52) Colinbot (3054)-Botalexm (2631) Blitz 2025]

[10.h4 d5 11.Kb1 e5 *(11...Rb8 12.Qe1 e5 13.exd5 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 exd4 15.Rxd4 Re8 16.Qd1 b5 17.Ne4 Nxe4 18.Rxe4 Rxe4 19.fxe4 Qf6 20.c3 b4 21.Qb3 Rb6 22.c4 Bd7 23.Qc2 b3 24.axb3 Ba4 25.e5 Qxe5 26.Rh3 Qe1+ 27.Qc1 Qxc1+ 28.Kxc1 Bxb3 29.c5 Rb4 30.d6 Ba4 31.Re3 Bxb2+ 32.Kd2 Bd4 33.Rd3 Bd7 34.c6 Bxc6 35.g3 Be4 36.Ra3 Rb2+ 37.Kc1 Rb6 38.d7 Rd6 39.Bb5 Bc6 40.Bxc6 Rxc6+ 41.Kb1 Rd6 42.Rxa7 Bxa7 43.d8Q+ Rxd8* 0-1 (43) Alexandr Khlebovich (2819)-Voat (2696) Blitz 2021*)* 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Qxd5 Qc7 16.Qc5 Qb7 17.Bc4 Rb8 18.Bb3 Be6 19.Qxa7 Qb5 20.Qc5 Qa6 21.Rd6 Qb7 22.Rhd1 Rfc8 23.Qb6 Bxb3 24.axb3 Qe7 25.Qa7 Rb7 26.Qa4 Qc7 27.c3 Qe7 28.Rd7 Rxd7 29.Qxd7 Qf8 30.b4 Bf6 31.Bc5 Rxc5 32.bxc5 Qxc5 33.Qd6 1-0 (33) Worktim1 (2869)-Swindlingjoker (2616) Blitz 2024]

10...d5 but the concept is this game is

far less surprising to us.
[10...Bd7 11.h3 Qc7 *(11...Re8 12.g4 Rc8 13.Nb3 Be6 14.f4 hxg4 15.f5 Bxb3 16.cxb3 g3 17.Rg1 Ne5 18.fxg6 Nf3 19.Qg2 Nxg1 20.e5 Nh5 21.gxf7+ Kxf7 22.Bd3 Bxe5 23.Qe4 Rg8 24.Qh7+ Ng7 25.Qg6+ Kf8 26.Rf1+ Bf6 27.Nd5 g2 28.Rxg1 Qe8 29.Qxg2 Qh5 30.Nf4 Qa5 31.Nd5 Ke8 32.Bd2 Qd8 33.Qg6+ Kd7 34.Nxf6+ exf6 35.Qf7+ Qe7 36.Bb5+ Rc6 37.Qxg8 Ne6 38.Qb8 Nd8 39.Re1 Qxe1+ 40.Bxe1 a6 41.Bxc6+ bxc6 42.Bb4 c5 43.Ba5 Nf7 44.Qf8 Ng5 45.Qxf6 Nxh3 46.Qf7+ Kc6 47.Qf3+ d5 48.Qf6+ Kd7 49.Bd8 d4 50.Qe7+ Kc6 51.Qe6+ Kb7 52.Qb6+ Ka8 53.Bc7 a5 54.Qa6#* 1-0 (54) Raspfish (2959)-Aks Mantissa (2682) Rapid 2024*; 11...a6 12.g4 Rb8 13.Rg1 b5 14.gxh5 Nxh5 15.Nf5 Be5 16.f4 Bh8 17.Bd3 b4 18.Nd5 e6 19.Nh6+ Kg7 20.f5 Ne5 21.Be2 exd5 22.Bxh5 Qh4 23.Nxf7 Rxf7 24.Bxg6 Bc6 25.Bg5 Qxe4 26.Bh6+ Kg8 27.Qg5 Ba4 28.Bh5+ Kh7 29.Bg6+ Kg8 30.Ka1 Qxc2 31.Qh5 Nxg6 32.Qxg6+ Bg7 33.Bxg7 Qxd1+ 34.Rxd1 Rxg7 35.Qe6+ Kh7 36.b3 Be8 37.f6 Rg2 38.Qe7+ Kh8 39.Qf8+ Kh7 40.f7 Bxf7 41.Qxb8 a5 42.Rf1 Rg7 43.Qxd6 Be8 44.Qxd5 Rc7 45.Qe5 Rc6 46.Rf8 Rc1+ 47.Kb2 Rc2+ 48.Kxc2 Bg6+ 49.Kb2 Kh6 50.Rh8+ Bh7 51.Qf6+ Kh5 52.Rxh7#* 1-0 (52) Torbot (2929)-Aks Mantissa (2623) Blitz 2023*)* 12.g4 Rfc8 13.Rh2 Kf8 14.Nf5 gxf5 15.gxf5 Ng8 16.Rg2 Qa5 17.f6 Nxf6 18.Bh6 Bg4 19.hxg4 hxg4 20.fxg4 Qe5 21.Bd3 Nb4 22.g5 Ng8 23.Bxg7+ Kxg7 24.Nd5 Nxd3 25.Qxd3 e6 26.Ne3 Kf8 27.Ng4 Qc5 28.g6 Rc7 29.Qh3 Qg5 30.Rf1 Qxg6 31.Nf6 Qxf6 32.Rxg8+ Kxg8 33.Rxf6 Rac8 34.Rf1 Rxc2 35.Qg3+ Kf8 36.Qxd6+ Kg7 37.Qe7 Rc1+ 38.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 39.Kxc1 Kg6 40.Qxb7 f5 41.e5 a6 42.Qe7 a5 43.Kd2 a4 44.Qxe6+ Kg7 45.Qf6+ Kh7 46.e6 a3 47.bxa3 Kg8 48.e7 Kh7 49.e8Q f4 50.Qfh8# 1-0 (50) Arasanx (3025)-Aks Mantissa (2820) Rapid 2024]
[10...a6 11.Be2 *(11.h3 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Be6 13.g4 b5 14.Nd5 h4 15.Qf2 Bxd5 16.exd5 Nd7 17.g5 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 Qb6 19.Qxh4 Rae8 20.Bd3 Ne5 21.Be2 f5 22.Rhd1 Rf7 23.Qg3 Rh7 24.f4 Nd7 25.h4 b4 26.h5 gxh5 27.Rc4 Rf8 28.g6 Rg7 29.Bxh5 Rf6 30.Qe1 Nf8 31.Rxb4 Qa7 32.Ra4 Nxg6 33.Qe2 Qb7 34.b3 Qb5 35.Qd2 Nh4 36.Rh1 Ng6 37.Be2 Qb6 38.Bxa6 Nf8 39.Kb2 Qd8 40.Rc4 Qb6 41.Bc8 Qd8 42.a4 Rh7 43.Rxh7 Kxh7 44.a5 Nd7 45.Bxd7 Qxd7 46.Qc3 Rf8 47.Rc7 Qd8 48.a6 Kg6 49.a7 Re8 50.Rb7 Kf7 51.Qe1 Qa8 52.Qe6+ Kf8 53.Rxe7 Rxe7 54.Qf6+ Kg8 55.Qxe7 Kh8 56.Qc7 Qxd5 57.Qb8+ Kg7 58.a8Q Qxa8 59.Qxa8 Kf7 60.b4 Ke6 61.b5 Kf6 62.b6 d5 63.b7 Kg6 64.Qg8+ Kh6 65.b8Q d4 66.Qg5+ Kh7 67.Qbg8#* 1-0 (67) Intron014 (2951)-Aks Mantissa (2700) Blitz 2024*)* 11...Bd7 12.h4 Ne5 13.g4 Rc8 14.gxh5 Nxh5 15.f4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.f5 Qe8 18.Rhg1 e6 19.fxg6 fxg6 20.Nb3 Bc6 21.Qd3 d5 22.exd5 exd5 23.Bd4 Nf4 24.Qd2 Bxd4 25.Nxd4 Rf6 26.b3 Rc5 27.Rde1 Qf7 28.Rg5 Qd7 29.Nce2 Nh3 30.Re5 a5 31.h5 g5

32.Qe3 a4 33.Ng3 Qf7 34.Re7 Qf8 35.Qd3 Rf7 36.Qg6+ Rg7 37.Qe6+ Rf7 38.Ngf5 Rxc2 39.Nh6+ Kh8 40.Nxf7+ Qxf7 41.Qxf7 Rb2+ 42.Kxb2 a3+ 43.Ka1 b6 44.Qg7# 1-0 (44) Botyuliirma (3012)-Aks Mantissa (2785) Rapid 2024]

[10...Qa5 11.Nb3 Qc7 12.h3 Be6 13.g4 Rac8 14.f4 b5 15.Bxb5 Qb7 16.Bd3 Nb4 17.Bd4 a5 18.f5 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Bc4 20.Qe3 a4 21.Nxa4 Qxe4 22.Qxe4 Nxe4 23.Nb6 Rc7 24.Rhe1 gxf5 25.Nxc4 Rxc4 26.gxf5 Ng3 27.Rxe7 Rxd4 28.Nxd4 Bxd4 29.Rxd4 Nxf5 30.Ree4 Nxd4 31.Rxd4 f5 32.Rxd6 Kf7 33.Kc1 f4 34.Kd1 Rg8 35.Rd4 Rg1+ 36.Ke2 Rg2+ 37.Kf3 Rg3+ 38.Kxf4 Rxh3 39.Kg5 Rh2 40.Rc4 Ke6 41.b4 Kd5 42.Rc5+ Kd6 43.a4 h4 44.c3 h3 45.Kh4 Rh1 46.Kg3 Ke7 47.a5 h2 48.Kg2 Rf1 49.Kxh2 Kd6 50.c4 Rb1 51.Rd5+ Kc7 52.b5 Ra1 53.a6 Ra3 54.a7 Rxa7 55.c5 Ra5 56.c6 Kb6 57.Kg3 Ra4 58.Kf3 Rh4 59.Ke3 Rg4 60.Kd3 Rh4 61.Rd8 Rh3+ 62.Kc4 Rh4+ 63.Kd5 Rh5+ 64.Kd6 Rh6+ 65.Kd7 Rh7+ 66.Kc8 Kxb5 67.Rd6 Kc5 68.Re6 Kd5 69.Rg6 Ra7 70.c7 Ra2 71.Kd8 Rh2 72.c8Q Rh8+ 73.Kc7 Rxc8+ 74.Kxc8 Kc5 75.Kd7 Kd5 76.Re6 Kc5 77.Rd6 Kb5 78.Rd5+ Kb4 79.Kd6 Kc4 80.Kc6 Kb3 81.Rc5 Kb4 82.Kb6 Kb3 83.Ka5 Ka3 84.Rb5 Ka2 85.Ka4 Ka1 86.Kb3 Kb1 87.Rc5 Ka1 88.Rc1# 1-0 (88) Nikitosikbot (2895)-Aks Mantissa (2625) Rapid 2023]

11.Bh6

[11.Be2 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 dxe4 13.Qe3 Qa5 14.fxe4 Bg4 plausibly tendered chances to both sides in Zunker,R (2214) - Wachweger,A (2034) Baunatal 1999 but they were 1200-1300 rating points lower than the 2021 exponents of the same variation!]

[Making the obvious comparison with a 9 0-0-0 d5 main line, after 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Nxd5 *(*Also worth noting is here *13.Bd4? Bxd4 14.Qxd4* loses to *e5!* as the rook on d1 is no longer protected by the king. *15.Qd2 Nxc3+ 16.bxc3 Rb8+ 17.Ka1 Qb6 18.Qc1 Qa5 19.Rd3 Be6 20.a3 Rb6 21.Re3 Rfb8 22.c4 Qd2 23.Be2 Rb1+* 0-1 (23) Multibrendovyi (2873)-Voat (2701) Blitz 2021*)* 13...cxd5 14.Qxd5 Qc7 e.g. 15.Qxa8 Bf5 , the inclusion of ...h5 is useful as it secures the bishop's post on f5 and helps with the back-rank issue.]

[11.Qe1 e5 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bc5 Re8 14.exd5 cxd5 15.Bb5 Bd7 16.Bxd7 Qxd7 17.g4 Rac8 18.Ba3 d4 19.Ne4 hxg4 20.fxg4 Qxg4 21.Nd6 Nd5 22.Nxe8 Rxe8 23.Rg1 Qf5 24.Rxd4 exd4 25.Qxe8+ Kh7 26.Qe2 Nf4 27.Qf3 Qe5 28.h4 f5 29.Qg3 Qe3 30.Bd6 Qxg3 31.Rxg3 Nd5 32.a4 Bf6 33.Rd3 Bxh4 34.Rxd4 1-0 (34) Tinkleking (2847)-Voat (2644) Blitz 2021]

11...Bxh6 12.Qxh6 Nxd4

[12...Qb6 is the obvious alternative to trying and persuade White to trade on c6 but it seems that Black is a 'can with a plan'!]

13.Rxd4 Qb6 14.Nxd5 The d4-rook is untouchable because of the mate threat on e7 and so basically Black is simply sacrificing a pawn.

14...Nxd5 15.Rxd5 Now of course the rook did need to move! 15...Be6

16.Rb5
[After some consideration White allows the black queen a foray into the heart of his position. The obvious alternative was 16.Rd2 keeping it out when it would have been interesting to see how your average 3582 rated engine would have looked to demonstrate counterplay for the pawn. A reasonable prospect might have been Qa5 17.b3 Rfd8 18.Bd3 Qc3 with possible plans of razzing the a-pawn down the board or doubling on the d-file. Maybe we'll see that next time!?!]
16...Qf2 Looking to make a real nuisance of herself and with a specific threat here and now.
17.Bd3
[With reference to my last comment, note then 17.Rxb7?? Qe1+ 18.Qc1 Bxa2+! Oops!]
17...Rad8! 18.Rc1
[Fun could be 18.Rxb7 Qxg2 19.Qc1 Qxf3 with 20.Rxe7 *(and say 20.Rxa7 Ra8 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.b3 Qf6 23.Qe3 Qe5)* 20...a5 clearly offering some play for the pawn. We await further practical outings!]
18...Rd7 19.Rg5 Guarding the g2-pawn and facilitating Qxh5 whilst seriously threatening Rxg6.
19...Qb6! 20.Rg3
[Upon 20.Qxh5 , Rxd3! (what Black's last move threatened) 21.cxd3 Qa6 definitely leaves Black with exciting action.]
20...Rd4! A rook lift preparing to slide to b4. 21.Qxh5 Rb4 22.Qe5
[After 22.b3 at the least Black would have Bxb3 23.axb3 Rxb3+ 24.cxb3 Qxb3+ 25.Ka1 Qa3+ 26.Kb1 Qb3+ with a draw by perpetual.]
22...Rc8 White's material advantage is two pawns but with ... Rc5 available, there is danger in the air.
23.a3 Rc5 24.Qb8+ The only move and forcing an interesting endgame.
24...Rc8 25.Qxc8+ Bxc8 26.axb4 Qxb4 White has two rooks and a pawn for a queen but his rooks aren't well coordinated here. 27.f4 a5! No prizes for guessing that ...a4-a3 is on Black's agenda! 28.f5 a4!
29.c3
[And not 29.fxg6?? a3 30.gxf7+ Kf8 with a bit of a big issue on b2!]
29...Qb6 30.fxg6 f6 Make that three pawns but with more pieces on the board the queen is arguably better than the rooks anyway. Whilst the black king has a white pawn shield around it, Black retains their attacking aspirations. 31.Bc2 a3 32.b3 Qf2 33.g7 Qf4 For the technically minded amongst you, with a depth of a whopping 77, Stockfish assesses this position as 0.00! I'm not really sure I can add to that aside from advising 'sit back and enjoy the ride'! 34.Rh1 b5 35.e5 Bf5 36.Bxf5 Qxf5+ 37.Ka2 Qxe5 38.Rc1
[38.Kxa3 Qd6+ 39.Kb2 Qd2+ 40.Kb1 f5 and White won't get a rook to the back rank or a pawn to h7 before Black gets at least a perpetual.]
38...Qe2+ 39.Kxa3 f5 The passed e-pawn is going to be the ultimate distraction for Black. 40.Rf3 Qd2 41.Rff1 Kxg7 42.Rcd1 Qxc3 43.Rxf5 e5 44.Rf3 Qc5+ 45.Kb2 e4 46.Rg3+ Kf7 47.Rf1+ Ke8 48.Kb1 Qd4 49.Re1 Kf7 50.Rge3 b4 51.g3
[51.Rxe4 Qd3+ 52.Kb2 Qd2+

53.Kb1 Qd3+ is of course a basic perpetual.]
51...Qd5 52.h3 Qd2 53.h4 Kg6 54.g4 Kf6 And even with those connected passed pawns, there is no way for White to win. 55.R1e2 Qd5 56.g5+ Kg6 57.Kc2 Qe5 58.Kd1 Qa1+ 59.Kd2 Kh5 60.Rg3 Kxh4 61.Reg2 Qa2+ 62.Ke1 Qa1+ 63.Ke2 Qa2+ 64.Kf1 Qa1+ 65.Kf2 Qd4+ 66.Re3 Qd2+ 67.Re2 Qf4+ 68.Kg1 Qc1+ 69.Kh2 Qf4+ 70.Kh1 Qf1+ 71.Kh2 Qf4+ 72.Kh1 Qf1+ 73.Kh2 Qf4+ Fair enough!!! ½-½ (73) ScorpioNN (3483)-Komododragon2747 (3582) tcec-chess.com INT 2021 The Week in Chess 1392 [Chris Ward]

9...a6 as Black nails his colours firmly to the post! 10.Kb1 Bd7 11.h3 b5 12.Be2 h4 13.Rhe1 Rc8 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Kf8 17.Rc1 Rh5 18.c4 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Rb8 20.Rc2 a5 21.a4 Rb4 22.Bb5 Rxd5 23.Qc1 Ne8 24.Bd2 Rdxb5 25.axb5 Rxb5 26.Bg5 Rb7 27.Ree2 Qb6 28.Rc8 Qb5 29.Qc4 Qxc4 30.Rxc4 Bf6 31.Bxh4 d5 32.Ra4 Bxh4 33.Rxh4 Nd6 34.Rh8+ Kg7 35.Rd8 Kf6 36.h4 a4 37.Kc1 Rc7+ 38.Rc2 Ra7 39.Rc3 Ra5 40.g4 Nc4 41.f4 Rb5 42.h5 Kg7 43.f5 g5 44.Rd7 Ne5 45.Rxe7 d4 46.Rcc7 d3 47.Re6 Kg8 48.Rc8+ Kh7 49.Re7 Kg7 50.h6+ Kxh6 51.Rce8 a3 52.bxa3 Nf3 53.Rxf7 d2+ 54.Kc2 Nd4+ 55.Kd1 Rxf5 56.gxf5 Kh5 57.Rh7+ Kg4 58.f6 Ne2 59.Rxe2 Kg3 60.f7 g4 61.Rh6 Kf4 62.f8Q+ Kg5 63.Re5# 1-0 (63) Blundar (2856)-Purplehunter (2583) Blitz 2024

9...Qd7 10.Kb1 a6 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.h3 b5 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Nc6 c3 17.Qd3 Bb7 18.Bd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 0-0 20.Qxc3 Rac8 21.Rhe1 Rfe8 22.Rd4 Bxc6 23.dxc6 Rxc6 24.Qd3 Rec8 25.c3 Rb6 26.Re2 Rc7 27.Rd5 Qc8 28.Ka1 Rb4 29.Re4 Rxe4 30.Qxe4 Rc4 31.Qxe7 Rxf4 32.Qxd6 Rf2 33.Rd2 Qe8 34.a3 Qe1+ 35.Rd1 Qe2 36.Qb8+ Kg7 37.Rd8 Rf1+ 38.Ka2 Qc4+ 39.Qb3 Ra1+ 40.Kxa1 Qxb3 41.Rd4 Qc2 42.g4 h4 0-1 (42) Mikegscarn (2898)-Sd45C45 (3005) Blitz 2023

[101] **10.Bc4** could potentially wind up transposing to a Soltis variation which if White deliberately deploys the Yugoslav Attack 9 0-0-0 variation, he probably wouldn't want. I'm not sure 'wanting' is a verb applicable to engines, nor indeed would they be worried about transposing to another main line that they might not have prepared for/have in their repertoire. Nevertheless the text is by far the most popular continuation here, in general of course being a standard useful waiting move. 10...Rc8 11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.h3 Qa5 13.Kb1 b5 14.Bb3 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Qb5 17.Bxa7 Nd7 18.Rhe1 Nc5 19.Qe2 Qxe2 20.Rxe2 Kd7 21.Bxc5 Rxc5 22.Ba4+ Kd8 23.Bc6 Bf6 24.Re4 Kc7 25.Rxb4 Rb8 26.Rxb8 Kxb8 27.Be8 Rb5 28.Bxb5 1-0 (28) ekfj4cxjx8vkco0acjx2 (2829)-Zlatin (2579) Blitz 2024

[102] **10...Rb8** 11.g3 Na5 12.Nd5 b5 13.Bg5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Rhe1 0-0 17.Rxe7 Qb6 18.b3 cxb3 19.axb3 Ba4 20.Bh6 Bf6 21.Bxf8 Rxf8 22.Re4 Rb8 23.Qd3 Bd7 24.Rde1 Qa5 25.R1e3 Bf5 26.Re8+

Kh7 27.Rxb8 Bxd3 28.Rxd3 Qe1+ 29.Kb2 Qf2 30.Rb4 a5 31.Rc4 Qxh2 32.g4 h4 33.f4 Qxf4 34.Ka2 Qf2 35.Rf3 Bxd4 36.Rxf2 Bxf2 37.Rf4 Bg3 38.Rxf7+ Kh6 39.c4 Kg5 40.Rg7 Kxg4 41.Rxg6+ Kf3 42.Rf6+ Kg2 43.Rh6 h3 44.Ka3 h2 45.Ka4 Be1 46.Kb5 Bg3 47.Rxh2+ Kxh2 48.Kxa5 Bf2 49.Kb5 Bc5 50.Kc6 Ba3 51.b4 Bxb4 52.c5 Bxc5 53.Kb5 Bb4 54.Kc6 Bc5 55.Kb5 Bb4 56.Kc6 Ba3 57.Kb5 Bb4 ½-½ (57) Vistagausta (2836)-Aybabtu (2631) Blitz 2022

[103] **11.Nxc6** Assuming that Black was always going to recapture now with the pawn, this was the only way to guarantee safe passage for the light-squared bishop to c4.

11...bxc6

[11...Bxc6 12.Bc4 Qa5 13.Bb3 0-0 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Bxa7 Ra8 17.Bd4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Qa5 19.Rhe1 Qg5 20.g3 Ra5 21.f4 Qg4 22.a3 Rc8 23.Rd3 Rc5 24.e5 Bb5 25.Rde3 d5 26.e6 f6 27.Qd1 Qf5 28.Qd2 Bc4 29.Rc1 d4 30.Qxd4 Bxb3 31.Rxb3 Qxe6 32.Rxb7 Rxc2 33.Rxc2 Qe1+ 34.Ka2 Rxc2 35.Qd3 Qe6+ 36.Rb3 Qf5 37.Qxf5 gxf5 38.a4 Rxh2 39.a5 Rd2 40.a6 Rd7 41.Ra3 Ra7 42.b4 e5 43.b5 e4 44.b6 Rd7 45.b7 Rd2+ 46.Kb3 Rd3+ 47.Ka4 Rd4+ 48.Kb5 Rd5+ 49.Kc6 Rd8 50.Kc7 Re8 51.b8Q Rxb8 52.Kxb8 e3 53.a7 e2 54.Re3 Kg7 55.Rxe2 h4 56.gxh4 Kg6 57.Rh2 Kh5 58.a8Q Kg4 59.Qg2+ Kxf4 60.h5 Ke5 61.h6 f4 62.h7 f3 63.Qxf3 Ke6 64.h8Q Ke5 65.Qhxf6# 1-0 (65) Karlballmer (2867)-Michael (2922) Blitz 2021]

12.Bc4

[12.Bxa7 c5 could see White get his bishop out of trouble through 13.e5 dxe5 14.Bb5 but instead 12...Ra8!? followed by the likes of ...Be6 and ...Qa5 suggests very reasonable play for the pawn.]

12...Qa5 13.Rhe1 With the black king in the centre, it is logical for White to want to break through there.

13...Be6!?

[Not dissimilar was the 13...Rb8 14.Bb3 Be6 of Fedorchuk,S (2656)-Laurent,J (2343) Livry-Gargan FRA 2009 worth checking the archives for.]

14.Bb3

[Despite the weaknesses in Black's position that 14.Bxe6 fxe6 might incur, White opts to keep the b-file more sealed.]

14...Nd7!?

[Unleashing the Dragon bishop and looking to re-manoeuvre the steed. Just as in the case of the other game involving incredibly high rated engines this month, flying in the face of theory built up by humans over the years, a position has been reached that has only featured once before. There 14...Bxb3 15.axb3 0-0 16.Bh6 Rfd8 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.f4 Nh7 19.f5 g5 20.Qf2 Nf6 21.Qe3 g4 22.Qg5+ Kh7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Ne4 Rxd1+ 25.Rxd1 Nxe4 26.Qxh5+ Kg7 27.Qxg4+ Kh8 28.f6 suddenly prompted a resignation in Papadopoulos,I (1921)-Staggat,R (1639) Wiesbaden 2019.]

15.Bd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Rg8 In another incredible game where the 'players' search for perfect moves, following the moving of this attacked rook I can tell those of you that are

interested that with a depth of 43, Stockfish now assesses the position as 0.00! I could give up.... but I won't! To me it feels a tad better for White! 17.f4 Rb8 Black won't be castling now, so this thrust definitely looks very natural. 18.Qf2 Qb6 19.Qd2 [19.Qxb6 axb6 is no way to play for White who really needs to keep the queens on to try and prove an advantage.] 19...Nc5 20.Qc1 Rb7 21.Re3 [It looks as though 21.f5 gxf5 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Rxd6 Rxg2 bearing in mind the potential pressure on b3, b2 and c2, would have left Black as much on the offensive as White.] 21...Kd7! The super-computers are bringing Dragon play to a whole different level. Anticipating a bit of grief in the centre, Black decides to walk his king over safety. That's not typically on the queenside! 22.Rde1 [22.e5 would be comfortably met by d5] 22...a5 23.f5 Bxb3 24.cxb3 [More accurate here than the 'recapturing towards the centre' 24.axb3] 24...f6! Correctly nipping the e4-e5 break in the bud. 25.Qd2 Kc8 Unpinning the d-pawn and heading to that aforementioned safety! 26.g3 Potentially safeguarding this pawn as there isn't too much going on now! 26...g5 27.Rc1 Kb8 28.Na4 Nxa4 29.bxa4 Rc8 30.Rec3 c5 31.Rc4 [Or 31.Rb3 Qc6 32.Rxb7+ Kxb7 , basically pretty equal.] 31...Rh8 32.b3 g4 33.R1c3 Ka7 34.Qe1 Rbb8 35.Kb2 Rh7 36.Rc2 h4 With nothing else happening, Black is the one seemingly looking to progress! 37.Qe2 hxg3 38.hxg3 Rg8 39.R4c3 Rh1 40.Rc4 Qc6 41.R2c3 Qc7 It's clear where we're headed! 42.Rc1 Rh3 43.Qf2 Fair result! ½-½ (43) Ethereal13.07_NNUE-15EE (3497)-Stockfish2021061923 (3632) tcec-chess.com INT 2021 The Week in Chess 1392 [Chris Ward]

An annotated on this site encounter that sticks in my mind saw **11.Be2** Ne5 12.h3 (Satisfied that not much is going to happen by way of a typical Yugoslav Attack attack(!) down the h-file, White logical switches to the centre by preparing the push f3-f4 without Black being able to park his knight on g4.) 12...h4!? 13.Rhe1 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Qd3 Qc8 16.f4 and now 16...Rh5!? intercepting White's plan to blow Black away with 17 e5 in Bratovic, B-Starostits, I/Pula CRO 2003.

11.Nb3 a6 12.Bd3 b5 13.Rhe1 b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.Qxb4 Nxd3 17.Rxd3 0-0 18.Bb6 Qe8 19.Bd4 Bf5 20.Rd2 Bh6 21.Rde2 Qd7 22.Bc3 Rfe8 23.Qd4 f6 24.h3 g5 25.g4 Bg6 26.h4 gxh4 27.gxh5 Bf5 28.Qxh4 Rxc3 29.bxc3 a5 30.Nxa5 Qb5+ 31.Nb3 Kf7 32.Qd4 Bf8 33.Kb2 Rc8 34.Qa7 Bd7 35.Re3 Rc4 36.h6 Ra4 37.Qc7 Rc4 38.Qa7 Ra4 39.h7 Rxa7 40.h8Q Bf5 41.Qh5+ Bg6 42.Qg4 Qa6 43.a4 Qxa4 44.Qxa4 Rxa4 45.Nd4 Rc4 46.Nc6 e5 47.dxe6+ Ke8 48.Nd4 d5 49.Kc1 1-0 (49) Savakrasavavictory (2875)-Damjangari1232132325 (2640) Blitz 2023

11.h3 Na5 12.f4 Rxc3 13.Qxc3

Nxe4 14.Qe1 f5 15.Bd3 Qc7 16.Nb5 Bxb5 17.Bxb5+ Kf7 18.Qb4 Rc8 19.Bd3 Nc6 20.Qb3+ e6 21.Bxe4 fxe4 22.g4 Na5 23.Qa4 Nc4 24.Bc1 b5 25.Qb3 d5 26.gxh5 gxh5 27.Rh2 Qc5 28.Rg2 Bf6 29.Qg3 Qb4 30.a3 Qc5 31.f5 exf5 32.Qg6+ Ke6 33.Bg5 Rf8 34.Bxf6 Rxf6 35.Qe8+ Kd6 36.Rg7 1-0 (36) Sovietrussia (2819)-Damjangari1232132325 (2635) Blitz 2023

104 **14.h3** h4 15.Rhe1 [15.b3 Rc8 16.Nd5 Rh5 17.Ne2 Nxd5 18.exd5 Bf5 19.Rc1 a5 20.g4 hxg3 21.Nxg3 Rh4 22.Nxf5 gxf5 23.Rcg1 Kf8 24.Rxg7 Kxg7 25.Rg1+ Kh7 26.Qg2 Qh8 27.Qg5 Qf6 28.Qg2 f4 29.Bc1 Rh5 30.Qg4 Qg6 31.Qxc8 Qxg1 32.Qxb7 Re5 33.Qb5 Qd4 34.a4 Re1 35.Qxa5 Qe3 0-1 (35) Vistagausta (2871)-Satlan (2756) Blitz 2023] 15...Rh5 16.Nde2 Kf8 17.Qd3 Qc7 18.Bd4 Rg5 19.Rg1 Rh5 20.Rh1 Ra5 21.a3 Qc6 22.Rhe1 Qc8 23.Qd2 b6 24.Na2 Kg8 25.Nec3 Rh5 26.Qf2 Be6 27.f4 Nh7 28.Bxg7 Kxg7 29.b3 Rc7 30.Re3 Nf6 31.Kb2 a6 32.Rd4 b5 33.Qd2 Qb7 34.Nc1 Rh8 35.N1e2 Rc5 36.g4 hxg3 37.f5 gxf5 38.Rxg3+ Kf8 39.e5 Rxe5 40.Rxd6 Ne8 41.Rd8 Qc7 42.Nf4 Rc5 43.Rg1 Qe5 44.Re1 Qf6 45.Re3 a5 46.Kb1 Rg8 47.Nce2 a4 48.bxa4 Rc6 49.axb5 Rd6 50.Rd3 Bc4 51.R3xd6 exd6 52.Rb8 Qe5 53.b6 Bxe2 54.Nxe2 f4 55.b7 f3 56.Qh6+ Ke7 57.Qh4+ Kf8 58.Nd4 Kg7 59.Rc8 Kg6 60.b8Q f2 61.Qxf2 Kh7 62.Qxf7+ Rg7 63.Qxe8 Rd7 64.Qxd7+ Qg7 65.Rh8+ Kg6 66.Qf5# 1-0 (66) Komododragon2747 (3582)-ScorpioNN (3483) tcec-chess.com INT 2021

105 **9.0-0-0** a6 10.Kb1 Rc8 11.Bh6 0-0 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.g4 b5 14.h4 h5 15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.Nf5+ Bxf5 17.exf5 Ne5 18.f4 Nc4 19.Qd4+ f6 20.Rg1 e5 21.fxe6 Qb6 22.Qxb6 Nxb6 23.Rxd6 Nc4 24.Bxc4 Rxc4 25.f5 Nf4 26.Nd5 Nxd5 27.Rxg6+ Kh7 28.Rxd5 Rxh4 29.b3 Rf4 30.Rd7+ Kh8 31.e7 Re8 32.Rd8 Re4 33.Rxe8+ Kh7 34.Rxf6 a5 35.Re6 Rd4 36.Rd8 Rg4 37.e8Q Rg1+ 38.Kb2 a4 39.Qh5+ Kg7 40.Qh8+ Kf7 41.Qf8# 1-0 (41) Drawdenied Twitch (2815)-Berendemir (2335) Rapid 2022

106 **9...Rc8** 10.0-0-0 h5 11.g5 Nh7 12.Nd5 e6 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Nb4 0-0 15.Kb1 a5 16.Nxc6 bxc6 17.Qxd6 Rb8 18.Qxd8 Rfxd8 19.Rxd8+ 1-0 (19) Vistagausta (2875)-Mrwabisabi (2681) Blitz 2025

9...Ne5 10.h4 Rc8 11.h5 0-0 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.0-0-0 b5 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Rxc3 16.bxc3 Qa5 17.g5 Nh5 18.Rxh5 gxh5 19.g6 Nxg6 20.Kb2 Rc8 21.Rd3 b4 22.c4 Rxc4 23.f4 Rc3 24.f5 Ne5 25.Qg5+ Kf8 26.Qh6+ Ke8 27.Qxh7 Kd8 28.Qg8+ Kc7 29.Nb3 Qa3+ 30.Kb1 Nxd3 31.Bxd3 Qa4 32.f6 exf6 33.Qf7 Qc6 34.Qxf6 h4 35.Qxh4 Qb6 36.Qf4 a5 37.e5 a4 38.exd6+ Qxd6 39.Qxd6+ Kxd6 40.Nd2 Kc5 41.Ne4+ Kd4 42.Nxc3 Kxc3 43.a3 bxa3 44.Ka2 Be6+ 45.Kxa3 Bb3 46.cxb3 axb3 47.Bb1 b2 48.Ka2 Kc4 49.Kxb2 ½-½ (49) Vistagausta (2866)-Gingergm (2753) Blitz 2022

9...Bxg4 10.fxg4 Nxg4 11.Bb5 Rc8 12.0-0-0 Nxe3 13.Qxe3 h5 14.Kb1 0-0 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.Rhg1

Qb6 17.Nf5 Qxe3 18.Nxe3 Rb8 19.Rd3 Rb4 20.a3 Rb7 21.Ka2 Rfb8 22.b3 Be5 23.h3 Bf6 24.Nc4 Kg7 25.Re1 g5 26.e5 dxe5 27.Nxe5 c5 28.Nd5 a5 29.Nxf6 exf6 30.Nc4 a4 31.bxa4 Kg6 32.a5 g4 33.hxg4 hxg4 34.Rd6 Rh8 35.a6 Ra7 36.Rf1 Rh2 37.Kb3 Kg5 38.Ka4 Rxc2 39.Kb5 Ra8 40.Rd5+ Kh4 41.Rxf6 g3 42.Rxf7 Kh3 43.Rh7+ Kg2 44.Rg7 Rb8+ 45.Ka5 Rxc4 46.a7 Rb3 47.a4 Ra3 48.Rdg5 Rcxa4+ 49.Kb6 Rxa7 50.Rxg3+ Rxg3 51.Rxa7 Rf3 52.Kxc5 Kg3 53.Ra4 Rf4 54.Kb5 Kg4 55.Rxf4+ Kxf4 ½-½ (56) Cutemouse83 (2854)-Symbiote (2671) Blitz 2021

[107] **11...0-0** 12.h4 Re8 13.Kb1 Nf8 14.Nd5 Rc8 15.Be2 Be6 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Nb4 Ne5 18.Bd4 a5 19.Bxe5 Bxe5 20.Nd3 Nd7 21.c3 Qb6 22.Rc1 Rf8 23.f4 Bg7 24.Rhe1 Rc4 25.Bf1 Rfc8 26.Qe3 Kf7 27.Rcd1 Qxe3 28.Rxe3 Kg8 29.Nc1 R4c7 30.Bh3 Nf8 31.e5 dxe5 32.fxe5 b5 33.Re4 Rb8 34.a3 Rb6 35.Rd8 Kh7 36.Nd3 Rd7 37.Rd4 Rxd8 38.Rxd8 Rc6 39.Rd4 Rc4 40.a4 Rxa4 41.b3 Rxd4 42.cxd4 Nd7 43.Bxe6 Nb8 44.Bd5 Bf8 45.Nf4 a4 46.Be4 Kg8 47.Nxg6 Na6 48.Ka2 Bg7 49.bxa4 bxa4 50.Ka3 Nc7 51.Kxa4 Kf7 52.Nf4 Kf8 53.Ka5 Kg8 54.Bg6 e6 55.Kb6 Nd5+ 56.Nxd5 exd5 57.Kc6 Bf8 58.Kxd5 Bg7 59.Kc6 Kh8 60.Kd7 Kg8 61.e6 Bf8 62.Bxh5 Kh8 63.d5 Kh7 64.d6 Bh6 65.e7 Bxg5 66.hxg5 1-0 (66) Stockfish2021061923 (3632)-Ethereal13.07_NNUE-15EE (3497) tcec-chess.com INT 2021

11...Qa5 12.f4 Bg4 13.Re1 [13.Be2 Nf8 14.h3 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Rc8 16.Kb1 Nd7 17.Rhf1 0-0 18.Nd5 Rfe8 19.a3 e6 20.Nf6+ Nxf6 21.gxf6 Bxf6 22.Nb5 Qa6 23.Qd3 Red8 24.Nxd6 Qxd3 25.Rxd3 Rb8 26.e5 Be7 27.Rg1 a5 28.Bb6 Rd7 29.Rgg3 a4 30.Ne4 Rxd3 31.Rxd3 Kf8 32.Rc3 Ra8 33.Ka2 Rc8 34.Rc4 Ra8 35.Bc7 Rc8 36.Bb6 Ra8 37.Be3 Kg7 38.Bf2 g5 39.fxg5 Kg6 40.h4 Kf5 41.Ng3+ Kg6 42.Ne4 Kf5 43.Bg3 Nxe5 44.Bxe5 Kxe5 45.Ng3 f6 46.Nxh5 fxg5 47.hxg5 b5 48.Rc7 Rh8 49.Ng3 Bd6 50.Rc3 Rh4 51.Rd3 Bc5 52.Ne2 Rh2 53.Nc3 Rxc2 54.Nxb5 Rg2 55.Nc3 Rg4 56.Rd8 Bd4 57.Nb5 Be3 58.Nc3 Bd4 59.Nb5 Be3 60.Ra8 Bd2 61.g6 Rxg6 62.Rxa4 Rg2 63.Rc4 Kd5 64.Kb3 e5 65.Nc7+ Kd6 66.a4 e4 67.Nb5+ Ke5 68.Rc5+ Kf4 69.Nd4 e3 70.a5 Ke4 71.Nc2 Rg8 72.Kc4 Rb8 73.b3 e2 74.Rc6 Ke5 75.a6 e1Q 76.Nxe1 Bxe1 77.b4 Bxb4 78.a7 Ra8 79.Kxb4 Rxa7 80.Kc3 Ra1 81.Rc4 Rc1+ 82.Kb3 Rxc4 83.Kxc4 ½-½ (83) Intron014 (2940)-Caissa,X (2945) Rapid 2023]

13...0-0 14.h3 Bd7 15.Nb3 Bxc3 16.Nxa5 Bxd2+ 17.Bxd2 Rfc8 18.Nxc6 Bxc6 19.h4 Nf8 20.Rh3 Bd7 21.Rf3 Bg4 22.Rf2 Ne6 23.Re3 Rc7 24.f5 Nc5 25.Bc3 Rac8 26.Bd4 a6 27.b3 b5 28.Kb1 Nd7 29.c4 b4 30.Bd3 e5 31.fxe6 fxe6 32.e5 dxe5 33.Bxe5 Nxe5 34.Rxe5 Kg7 35.Ra5 Rd8 36.Bc2 Rd4 37.Rxa6 Bf5 38.Bxf5 exf5 39.Rh2 f4 40.Rf6 Rf7 41.Rxf7+ Kxf7 42.a3 bxa3 43.Rf2 Ke6 44.Ka2 Ke5 45.Kxa3 Rd3 46.c5 f3 47.Kb4 Kd5 48.Rf1 Kc6 49.Kc4 Re3 50.Kd4 ½-½ (50) Stoofvlees Ii B5 (3492)-LCZero 0.31-dag-5107404-T2-52 (3633) tcec-chess.com INT 2023

[108] **14.Kb1** Nc5 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Ndc7 a6 17.Qxd7 axb5 18.Bxb5 Ne5 19.Qxd8 Raxd8 20.f4 Ng4 21.a4 Nf2 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 23.Re1 Nh3 24.Nd5 e6 25.Nb6 Nxf4 26.Nd7 c4 27.Re3 Bd4 28.Rf3 Ng2 29.c3 Ba7 30.e5 Kg7 31.h3 Ne1 32.Rf4 Be3 33.Re4 Ng2 34.h4 Ra8 35.Ka2 Bg1 36.Rxc4 Bf2 37.Rc7 Nxh4 38.Rxb7 Nf3 39.Rc7 Nxg5 40.Bc6 Ra6 41.b4 h4 42.a5 Rxc6 43.Rxc6 Nf3 44.Nf6 Nxe5 45.Ne4 Nxc6 46.Nxf2 Kf8 47.a6 Ke7 48.b5 Kd7 49.b6 Kc8 50.Kb3 g5 51.Ka4 Nd8 52.Kb5 e5 53.a7 Kb7 54.Ne4 Ne6 55.Nd6+ Ka8 56.Kc6 Nd8+ 57.Kd7 h3 58.Nb5 Kb7 59.Nc7 h2 60.a8Q+ Kxb6 61.Qa6+ Kc5 62.Qb5# 1-0 (62) LCZero 0.31-dag-5107404-T2-52 (3633)-Stoofvlees Ii B5 (3492) tcec-chess.com INT 2023

[109] **8.Qe2** Nc6 9.0-0-0 Qa5
[9...Bd7 10.Kb1 a6 11.g4 b5 12.h4 b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 a5 17.h5 g5 18.h6 f6 19.Qe3 Kh8 20.Bd3 Rf7 21.Re4 Qf8 22.Qb6 Qd8 23.Qd4 Kg8 24.b3 Rb8 25.Rhe1 a4 26.Qe3 Kf8 27.f4 axb3 28.cxb3 gxf4 29.Qxf4 Qa5 30.Rxe7 Ra8 31.Rxf7+ Kxf7 32.Re2 Qc5 33.Qe4 Qg1+ 34.Re1 Qxg4 35.Qe7+ Kg8 36.Qxh7+ Kf8 37.Qh8+ Kf7 38.Qxa8 Qg3 39.Rd1 Qf3 40.Kc2 Qf2+ 41.Rd2 Qc5+ 42.Bc4 Bf5+ 43.Kb2 Qe3 44.Qb7+ Kg6 45.Qxb4 Kxh6 46.Qc3 Qe7 47.Rf2 Bg6 48.Qxf6 Qxf6+ 49.Rxf6 1-0 (49) Mrshaibel1895 (2844)-Daubon (2715) Blitz 2022]
10.Qb5 Qc7 11.h4 a6 12.Qc4 Qb8 13.g4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Be6 15.Qe2 Rc8 16.h5 b5 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qh2 b4 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Qc7 21.Bd3 a5 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Qxh7+ Kf8 24.Bxg6 Bg7 25.Rh5 1-0 (25) Mrshaibel1895 (2943)-Yakamuzosan (2721) Blitz 2024

[110] **8...a6** 9.h4
[9.Bb3 b5 10.Qd2 b4 *(10...Bb7 11.0-0-0 Nbd7 12.Bh6 Ne5 13.h4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.h5 e5 16.Nde2 Re8 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Qxd6 Qa5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qd2 Rad8 21.Qh6+ Kg8 22.Rxd8 Qxd8 23.g4 Qe7 24.Ng3 Qg7 25.Qxg7+ Kxg7 26.Rd1 Re7 27.b3 Rc7 28.Kb2 Kf7 29.bxc4 Rxc4 30.g5 Rb4+ 31.Ka3 Rc4 32.Kb3* 1-0 (32) Spongebob The Yellow (2881)-Midenistis (2657) Blitz 2019*; 10...Re8 11.h4 Nbd7 12.h5 Nc5 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.0-0-0 Bb7 16.Kb1 Nxb3 17.Nxb3 b4 18.Nd5 e6 19.Ne3 a5 20.Qxd6 a4 21.Nc5 Qc8 22.Nc4 b3 23.cxb3 axb3 24.a3 Ba6 25.Nb6* 1-0 (25) Ilqar (2869)-Chesselation94 (2770) Blitz 2025*)* 11.Na4 a5 12.g4 Bd7 13.h4 h5 14.Rg1 Nc6 15.Nxc6 Bxc6 16.gxh5 Bxa4 17.Bxa4 Nxh5 18.0-0-0 e6 19.Bg5 Qc7 20.Qxd6 Qxd6 21.Rxd6 Be5 22.Rd7 Bf4+ 23.Kb1 Bxg5 24.Rxg5 Nf4 25.a3 bxa3 26.b3 Kg7 27.Ka2 Rh8 28.Rg4 e5 29.Kxa3 Rac8 30.c4 Rcd8 31.Rg1 Rxd7 32.Bxd7 Ne2 33.Rd1 Nd4 34.Ka4 Kf6 35.Bb5 Ke7 36.Rd3 Ra8 37.Rc3 Ne2 38.Re3 Nd4 39.Rd3 Kd6 40.f4 f6 41.Rd2 Rd8 42.Rd1 Kc7 43.Rf1 Kd6 44.fxe5+ Kxe5 45.Rg1 Kxe4 46.Rxg6 Rh8 47.Rxf6 Rxh4 48.Rg6 Rh3 49.Kxa5 Rxb3 50.Rg8 Ke5 51.Re8+ Kd6 52.Rd8+ Ke5 53.Rh8

Rb1 54.Rh5+ Kf6 55.Ba4 Rc1 56.Kb4 Ne6 57.Rd5 Rh1 58.Bd7 Nf4 59.Rd2 Ke5 60.Be8 Rb1+ 61.Ka5 Ne6 62.Rd5+ Kf6 63.Bd7 Rc1 64.Bxe6 ½-½ (64) Stoofvleesii A18 (3532)-LCZero0.28.0-rc1_69146 (3614) tcec-chess.com INT 2021]
[9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Qd2 b5 11.Bd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.b3 Bb7 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Rc8 16.Ne4 f6 17.Ne6 Qb6+ 18.Kh1 Rf7 19.Qd2 b4 20.h4 Qb5 21.Rad1 f5 22.N4g5 Rf6 23.Nf4 Qc5 24.Nge6 Qc3 25.Rf2 Qxd2 26.Rfxd2 h6 27.Kg1 Nf7 28.h5 g5 29.Ng6 Re8 30.Nc7 Rb8 31.Nxe7+ Kg7 32.Nc6 Bxc6 33.dxc6 Rc8 34.Nxa6 Rxc6 35.Nxb4 Rc5 36.Nd5 Re6 37.c4 Ne5 38.Kf2 f4 39.Re2 Ra5 40.Rd4 Ra3 41.Rde4 Nd3+ 42.Kf1 Rxe4 43.Rxe4 Rxa2 44.Re7+ Kf8 45.Rh7 Rf2+ 46.Kg1 Rb2 47.Rxh6 Rb1+ 48.Kh2 Nf2 49.Rf6+ Kg7 50.Rg6+ Kh7 51.g3 Rh1+ 52.Kg2 Rxh5 53.Kxf2 1-0 (53) Bettercollsoul (2877)-Onee,M (2653) Blitz 2024]
9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.Nd5 a5 12.a3 bxa3 13.Rxa3 e6 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.h5 Bd7 16.Qd2 Re8 17.f4 Nc6 18.Nb5 Bxb2 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Ra2 Bg7 21.Nxd6 Re7 22.Kf2 Nb4 23.Bd4 Nxa2 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.f5 exf5 26.Qh6+ Kf6 27.Qh4+ Kg7 28.Qh7+ Kf6 29.Bxf7 Qb6+ 30.Kf3 Rxe4 31.Ne8+ Ke7 32.Be6+ Kxe6 33.Qxg6+ Ke5 34.Qxb6 Rxe8 35.Rd1 Rf4+ 36.Kg3 Rg4+ 37.Kf2 Re6 38.Qb2+ Kf4 39.g3+ Rxg3 40.Qb8+ Re5 41.Rd4+ Kg5 42.Qxe5 Rc3 43.Qe7+ Kh5 44.Qh4+ Kg6 45.Rd6+ Kf7 46.Qh7+ Ke8 47.Qxd7+ Kf8 48.Rf6+ Kg8 49.Qf7+ Kh8 50.Rh6# 1-0 (50) LCZero0.28.0-rc1_69146 (3614)-Stoofvleesii A18 (3532) tcec-chess.com INT 2021

111 **9.Qe2** Na5
[9...Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Bb3 Be6 13.e5 Nd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.exd6 exd6 16.Bxd5 cxd5 17.Rxd5 Re8 18.Qd2 Qc7 19.Kb1 Rxe3 0-1 (19) Motar0 (2855)-Sergeiaza (2662) Blitz 2024]
10.Bd3 a6 11.0-0 Bd7 12.Qf2 Qc8 13.Rae1 Nc4 14.Bc1 Qc5 15.Kh1 Rac8 16.Nb3 Qxf2 17.Rxf2 b5

112 **9...Nxd4** 10.Bxd4 b5
[10...Bd7 11.g4 b5 12.g5 Nh5 13.Nd5 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 e5 15.Qd2 a5 16.a3 Be6 17.0-0-0 b4 18.a4 Rc8 19.h4 Rc5 20.Kb1 Kg7 21.Ne3 Rc6 22.Bd5 Ra6 23.Bc4 Rc6 24.Bb5 Rb6 25.Rh2 Qc7 26.b3 Qc5 27.Bc4 Rc6 28.Bd5 Rb6 29.Nc4 Ra6 30.Bxe6 fxe6 31.Nxd6 Rxf3 32.Nc4 Ra7 33.Qd8 Raf7 34.Rhd2 Rf1 35.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 36.Ka2 Rf7 37.Qxa5 Qg1 38.Qxe5+ Kg8 39.Rd8+ Rf8 40.Qxe6+ Kg7 41.Qe7+ Rf7 42.Qe5+ Nf6 43.gxf6+ Kh6 44.Qf4+ g5 45.hxg5+ Kh5 46.Rd5 Kg6 47.Qf5+ 1-0 (47) Creep30 (2812)-Lyinted (2732) Blitz 2020]
11.Nxb5 Ba6 12.c4 Bxb5 13.cxb5 Qa5+ 14.Bc3 Qxb5 15.Qe2 Qb6 16.Qf2 Qb5 17.Qe2 Qb6 18.0-0-0 a5 19.Kb1 a4 20.Bc4 Rfc8 21.e5 dxe5 22.Bxe5 e6 23.Rd6 Qc5 24.Rhd1 a3 25.Bxe6 fxe6 26.Bxf6 Qf5+ 27.Qe4 Qxf6 28.Qxe6+ Qxe6 29.Rxe6 Bxb2 30.Re3 Rab8 31.Rb3 Rxb3 32.axb3 Rc3 0-1 (32) Azumilover (2903)-Steem20 (2679) Blitz 2023

113 **10.h4** h5
[10...Qa5 11.Qd2 Rfc8 12.Nxc6 Rxc6 13.0-0-0 Rac8 14.Bd4 Be6 15.Kb1 h5 16.Bxe6 fxe6 17.e5 dxe5 18.Qg5 Nh7 19.Qxg6 exd4 20.Rxd4 Rxc3 21.bxc3 Qxc3 22.Rhd1 Nf8 23.Qe4 Rc6 24.Rb4 Qa1# 0-1 (24) Erow (2843)-Wuzhaobing (2692) Blitz 2022]
11.Qd2 Rc8 12.0-0-0
[12.g4 hxg4 13.h5 Nxh5 14.0-0-0 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 e5 16.Be3 gxf3 17.Rdg1 Rxc3 18.bxc3 Kh7 19.Rxh5+ gxh5 20.Qh2 h4 21.Bg5 Qb6 22.Qxh4+ Kg8 23.Rh1 Rc8 24.Bf6 Qe3+ 25.Kb1 Bh3 26.Qxh3 1-0 (26) Azumilover (2892)-Zoubkovavila (2696) Blitz 2023]
[12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bh6 d5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Qc7 18.0-0-0 Bf5 19.Qd4+ e5 20.Qf2 Rfd8 21.Kb1 e4 22.fxe4 Bxe4 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.a3 Bf5 25.Ka2 Qb6 26.Qf4 Qd4 27.Qc7 Rd7 28.Qa5 Qd2 29.Qe5+ f6 30.Qc5 Qxg2 31.Re1 Qb7 32.a4 Qc7 33.Qf2 Qb6 34.Qf4 Qd6 35.Qc4 Qb8 36.a5 Qd8 37.Qc5 Qc7 38.Qb4 Qd6 39.Qxd6 Rxd6 40.Re7+ Kh6 41.Rxa7 g5 42.hxg5+ fxg5 43.a6 g4 44.Bc4 g3 45.Bf1 Be4 46.b4 g2 47.Bxg2 Bxg2 48.b5 h4 49.Re7 h3 50.Re8 Kh5 51.Rh8+ Rh6 52.Rxh6+ Kxh6 53.b6 h2 54.b7 Bd5+ 55.Kb2 h1Q 56.b8Q Qe4 57.Qd6+ Kh5 58.Qc5 Qe5+ 59.Qc3 Qb8+ 60.Kc1 Qf4+ 61.Qd2 Qe5 62.Qd3 Qe1+ 63.Kb2 Qb4+ 64.Kc1 Qf4+ 65.Qd2 Qxd2+ 66.Kxd2 Ba8 67.Kc3 Kg5 68.Kb4 Kf6 69.Ka5 Ke6 70.Kb6 Kd7 71.c4 Bc6 72.c5 Ba8 73.Ka7 Bc6 74.Kb8 1-0 (74) Donatella1954 (2829)-Burgerswave (2605) Blitz 2021]
12...Nxd4 13.Bxd4 b5 14.Kb1
[14.g4 hxg4 15.h5 Be6 16.h6 Nxe4 17.hxg7 1-0 (17) Antonsmirnov01 (2817)-Nozdrachev,V (2703) Blitz 2021]
14...a5 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Bxd5 e6 18.Bb7 Rb8 19.Bc6 Bxc6 20.Qc3+ Qf6 21.Qxc6 Rfc8 22.Qxd6 Rd8 23.Qc5 Qxh4 24.a3 Qf6 25.e5 Qf5 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.g4 Qxf3 28.Rc1 Rd1 29.Qxb5 Rxc1+ 30.Kxc1 hxg4 31.Kd2 g3 32.Qe2 Qh1 33.b4 axb4 34.axb4 g2 35.Qf3 g1Q 36.Qf6+ Kg8 37.Qd8+ Kh7 38.Kc3 Qe3+ 39.Qd3 Qxd3+ 40.Kxd3 Qd5+ 41.Kc3 Qxe5+ 42.Kb3 Qd5+ 43.c4 Qd3+ 44.Ka4 Qxc4 45.Ka5 Qxb4+ 46.Kxb4 g5 47.Kc4 Kg6 48.Kd4 Kf5 49.Ke3 g4 50.Kf2 Kf4 51.Kg2 g3 52.Kg1 Kf3 53.Kf1 e5 54.Kg1 g2 55.Kh2 Kf2 56.Kh3 g1Q 57.Kh4 Qg6 58.Kh3 Qg3# 0-1 (58) John Captain Price (2892)-Domore (2558) Blitz 2024

114 **10...Na5** 11.h4 h5
[11...b5 12.h5 Nxb3 13.axb3 b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 a5 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 g5 18.Qxg5+ Kh8 19.h6 Rg8 20.Qf4 Rxg2 21.Qxf7 Qf8 22.Qxf8+ Rxf8 23.Rxa5 Kg8 24.Ra7 Rd8 25.Rh4 Rg5 26.Nc6 Bxc6 27.dxc6 Re5+ 28.Kd2 Rc8 29.Rc4 Kf7 30.Rb7 Rh5 31.c7 Ke8 32.Rbxb4 Rxh6 33.Rb7 Rh3 34.b4 Rxf3 35.b5 Rf5 36.b6 Rb5 37.b4 Kd7 38.Kc3 h5 39.Kb3 d5 40.Rc5 Rxc5 41.bxc5 h4 42.Rb8 1-0 (42) Swimmerchess (2813)-Nguyen,D (2655) Blitz 2021]
12.Bh6 e5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Ndb5 Bxb5 15.Nxb5 Nxb3 16.axb3 d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.0-0-0 Nf4 19.Qe3

Qf6 20.g3 Ne6 21.Rd5 Kg8 22.Rxe5 Rfd8 23.Nc3 Nd4 24.f4 Qa6 25.Kb1 Nf5 26.Qf3 Rd7 27.g4 Nd4 28.Qg2 hxg4 29.h5 Qc6 30.Nd5 Rad8 31.c4 Nxb3 32.Ne7+ Rxe7 33.Qxc6 bxc6 34.Rxe7 Nd2+ 35.Kc2 Nxc4 36.hxg6 fxg6 37.Rhh7 Nd6 38.Reg7+ Kf8 39.Rxg6 Nf5 1-0 (39) Nobodies0 (2890)-Luoxiaoke (2897) Blitz 2024

10...a5 11.Ndb5 Ne5 12.a4 Rc8 13.Qe2 Be6 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Bd7 16.0-0 Bxb5 17.Qxb5 Nd7 18.c3 Nc5 19.Bc2 Qc7 20.Rfe1 Rfe8 21.Rad1 b6 22.Bg5 e5 23.dxe6 Nxe6 24.Be3 Nc5 25.Bf2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Bf8 27.h4 h5 28.Qc4 Qc6 29.Rd1 Re8 30.Bxg6 d5 31.Rxd5 Qxa4 32.Bxf7+ Kxf7 33.Rd7+ Kg6 34.Qf7+ Kh6 35.Qh7# 1-0 (35) Donatella1954 (2838)-Burgerswave (2600) Blitz 2021

[115] The positional approach. Not that long ago **12.0-0-0** a5 13.e5 dxe5 14.Bxe5 Bc6 15.Qxd8 Rfxd8 16.Rxd8+ Rxd8 17.Bc7 Bh6+ 18.Kb1 Rd2 occurred in Balloglu,P-Ward,C (yes me!) London League: WG V Hackney 2019 whilst the sharp occurred in Balloglu,P-Ward,C (yes me!) London League: WG V Hackney 2019 whilst the sharp

12.h4 a5 was recently revisited in Aizenberg,B (1995) -Guseinov,G (2691) Tallinn 2019 was recently revisited in Aizenberg,B (1995) -Guseinov,G (2691) Tallinn 2019 13.h5 e5

[13...a4 14.Bxf6 exf6 15.Bd5 b4 16.Ne2 Rc8 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Nf4 Re8 19.Nxg6 f5 20.Nf4 fxe4 21.Nh5 0-1 (21) Vamonospeste (2825)-Timofeevar (2758) Blitz 2023]

14.hxg6 exd4 15.gxf7+ Rxf7 16.Bxf7+ Kxf7 17.Qxd4 b4 18.Ne2 Ne8 19.Rxh7 Be6 20.0-0-0 Rc8 21.Kb1 Kg8 22.Rxg7+ Nxg7 23.Qxd6 Qxd6 24.Rxd6 Bc4 25.Nd4 Ne8 26.Rd7 Rc7 27.Rxc7 Nxc7 28.Kc1 Ne6 29.Nxe6 Bxe6 30.Kd2 Kh7 31.b3 Kh6 32.c4 bxc3+ 33.Kxc3 Kg5 34.g3 Bf7 35.a3 Bh5 36.f4+ Kf6 37.b4 axb4+ 38.axb4 Bf3 39.Kd4 Be2 40.f5 Ke7 41.Ke5 Kf7 42.Kf4 Kf8 43.g4 Kg7 44.e5 Kh6 45.e6 Bc4 46.g5+ Kh5 47.Ke5 Kxg5 48.e7 Bb5 49.e8Q Bxe8 50.f6 Kg6 51.Ke6 Bf7+ 52.Ke7 Bd5 53.b5 Kf5 54.b6 Ke5 55.b7 Bxb7 56.f7 Ba8 57.f8Q Bd5 58.Qf2 Ke4 59.Qc5 Ke5 60.Kd7 Kf4 61.Qxd5 Kg3 62.Qf5 Kh4 63.Qf3 Kg5 64.Ke6 Kh4 65.Qg2 Kh5 66.Kf5 Kh4 67.Qh2# 1-0 (67) Reinforcementtrial (2870)-Pseudo (2363) Rapid 2023

12.a3 a5 13.h4 h5 14.g4 b4 15.Nd5 a4 16.Ba2 bxa3 17.bxa3 e5 18.Be3 hxg4 19.Bg5 Be6 20.h5 gxh5 21.Rxh5 Bxd5 22.Bxd5 Qa5 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Bxa8 Rxa8 25.Qxa5 Rxa5 26.fxg4 Rc5 27.0-0-0 Be7 28.Rh3 Rc4 29.Re1 Kg7 30.Kb2 Kg6 31.Rc3 Rd4 32.Rc7 Bg5 33.Re2 Rd1 34.Rc4 Bf4 35.Rxa4 Kg5 36.Ra7 Kxg4 37.Rxf7 Kf3 38.Rh2 Kxe4 39.Rh3 d5 40.a4 Bc1+ 41.Ka2 Be3 42.a5 Bd4 43.Ra3 Bc5 44.a6 d4 45.a7 Bxa7 46.Rfxa7 Kf4 47.Kb2 Rd2 48.Rf7+ Ke4 49.Re7 Re2 50.Ra5 Kf4 51.Kc1 e4 52.Kd1 Rh2 53.Rae5 e3 54.Kc1 Rg2 55.Re4+ Kf3 56.Rxd4 Rg6 57.Rde4 e2 58.Re3+ Kf4 59.Rxe2 Rg1+ 60.Kd2 Rg8 61.R7e4+ Kf3 62.Re8 Kf4 63.Rxg8 1-0 (63) Alireza2003 (2929)-Neslracsungam77 (2857) Blitz 2023

12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.exd5 a5

[14...Qb6 15.h4 h5 16.a3 a5 17.0-0-0 Rfc8 18.g4 a4 19.Ba2 hxg4 20.h5 Rxc2+ 21.Qxc2 Rc8 22.Qxc8 Bxc8 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.fxg4 Bxg4 25.Rde1 Bf5 26.Rxe7+ Kf6 27.Re6+ Bxe6 28.dxe6 Qe3+ 29.Kc2 Qe4+ 30.Kc3 Qxh1 31.Kb4 Qc6 32.Ka5 d5 33.Bxd5 Qxd5 0-1 (33) Timetrave1 (2833)-Ocinitram (2680) Blitz 2023]

15.a3 Qb6 16.0-0-0 Rfc8 17.Kb1 Bf5 [17...a4 18.Ba2 Bf5 19.Rc1 h5 20.Ka1 Ra7 21.c3 Rac7 22.h4 Rh8 23.Rce1 Qc5 24.Re3 Re8 25.Rhe1 Kg8 26.R1e2 Kf8 27.Qe1 Bc8 28.Qd2 Kg7 29.Re1 Bb7 30.g4 hxg4 31.fxg4 Rh8 32.h5 gxh5 33.Rh3 Rh6 34.gxh5 Rf6 35.h6+ Kh8 36.Rg3 Qf2 37.Qxf2 Rxf2 38.Reg1 Rc8 39.Rg7 Rf6 40.Bb1 Rxh6 41.Rxf7 Re8 42.Rf5 e5 43.dxe6 Be4 44.Bxe4 1-0 (44) Sweetdream2900 (2910)-Yakamuzosan (2741) Blitz 2023]

18.Rc1 Rab8 19.g4 Bd7 20.Rhe1 a4 21.Ba2 b4 22.Qxb4 Qf2 23.Qf4 Rxc2 24.Rxc2 Qxe1+ 25.Qc1 Qh4 26.Qe3 Bb5 27.Bc4 Bxc4 28.Rxc4 Qxh2 29.Qc3+ Kg8 30.Rxa4 Qh1+ 31.Ka2 Qd1 32.Rd4 Qe2 33.Re4 Qb5 34.Rd4 h6 35.a4 Qa6 36.Rc4 Kh7 37.Ka3 Ra8 38.b3 Qb5 39.Qd4 Qb7 40.Rc6 Rb8 41.Qc4 h5 42.gxh5 gxh5 43.Qd3+ Kg7 44.Rc4 f5 45.Qc3+ Kg6 46.Rd4 h4 47.Rxh4 Qxd5 48.Rc4 Kf7 49.f4 Kg6 50.Qc2 Qe6 51.Rc3 Qd5 52.Kb2 e5 53.Qf2 Kf6 54.fxe5+ Qxe5 55.Qc2 Rc8 56.a5 Rxc3 57.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 58.Kxc3 f4 59.Kd3 Ke5 60.a6 d5 61.a7 f3 62.a8Q f2 63.Qf8 1-0 (63) Sweetdream2900 (2916)-Yakamuzosan (2735) Blitz 2023

12.0-0 a5 13.a3 Rc8 14.Rad1 Qc7 15.Rfe1 Bc6 16.Re2 Qb7 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 b4 19.a4 Rc7 20.Qe1 Rfc8 21.Be3 Nd7 22.Bg5 Ne5 23.f4 Qb6+ 24.Qf2 Qxf2+ 25.Kxf2 Nc4 26.Rxe7 Nxb2 27.Rde1 Bd4+ 28.Kf1 Kg7 29.Rxc7 Rxc7 30.Re7 Rc3 31.Rd7 Nc4 32.f5 gxf5 33.Bxc4 Rxc4 34.Rxd6 Rxc2 35.Bh6+ Kg8 36.Rd8# 1-0 (36) Nozdrachev,V (2856)-Sina Iran (2775) Blitz 2021

[116] Interesting. This was the original move that texts indicated was best but enthusiastic subscribers will no doubt have noted from annotated games on this site that the likes of Guseinov, Giri and the great Magnus himself have all opted for Interesting. This was the original move that texts indicated was best but enthusiastic subscribers will no doubt have noted from annotated games on this site that the likes of Guseinov, Giri and the great Magnus himself have all opted for

12...b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5 and with very reasonable success. 14.Bxg7 [14.exd5 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Qxb6 axb6 17.Kd2]

14...Kxg7 15.exd5 Qb6 [%draw full,b4] [%draw arrow,b6,g1] 16.h4 h5 17.0-0-0 Qa5 18.g4 Bxa4 19.Bxa4 Qxa4 20.Kb1 Rh8 21.b3 Qb5 22.Rhe1 Qb7 23.Re4 a5 24.Rde1 Rae8 25.Qd4+ Kg8 26.g5 Kh7 27.f4 Qd7 28.Qb6 a4 29.Qc6 Qh3 30.Qxa4 Ra8 31.Qxb4 Rhb8 32.Qc4 Rb7 33.Qd3 Qxd3 34.cxd3 Rxb3+ 35.Kc2 Rb7 36.Rxe7 Ra2+ 37.Kc3 Ra3+ 38.Kd2 Ra2+ 39.Kc3 Ra3+ 40.Kd2 Ra2+ 41.Kc3 Normal ½-½ (41) No Stockfish Bots (3001)-Proteussf Godot (3002) Rapid 2024

[117] **13.Nxa4** Bc6 14.Nc3 a5 15.0-0 Nd7 16.Ba4 Bxd4+ 17.Qxd4 Bxa4 18.Rxa4 Qb6 19.Nd5 Qxd4+ 20.Rxd4 Rfb8 21.b3 Kf8 22.Ra1 Nb6 23.Kf2 Nxd5 24.exd5 Rc8 25.Ra2 Rc5 26.Ke3 Rac8 27.c4 Rb8 28.Rd3 Rb4 29.Rc3 Ke8 30.Kd3 Kd7 31.Ra3 e6 32.dxe6+ Kxe6 33.Rc2 d5 34.cxd5+ Rxd5+ 35.Kc3 Rc5+ 36.Kb2 Rxc2+ 37.Kxc2 Rb5 38.Ra4 h5 39.h4 Kd5 40.Kc3 Rc5+ 41.Kd3 Rb5 42.Kc3 Rc5+ 43.Kb2 Ke5 44.Re4+ Kd6 45.g4 f5 46.gxf5 Rxf5 47.f4 Rc5 48.Ka3 Rc3 49.Re5 Rh3 50.Rg5 Rxh4 51.Rxg6+ Kc5 52.f5 Rf4 53.f6 h4 54.Rh6 h3 55.Rh5+ Kb6 56.Rxh3 Rxf6 57.Rh4 Rc6 58.Ka4 Ka6 59.Rh5 Kb7 60.Kxa5 Ra6+ 61.Kb5 Rb6+ 62.Kc5 Rg6 63.Rh7+ Kc8 64.Rh5 Kb8 65.b4 Rf6 66.Rd5 Rg6 67.Rd6 Rxd6 68.Kxd6 Kb7 69.Kd5 Kb6 70.Kc4 Kc6 71.b5+ Kb6 72.Kb4 Kb7 73.Ka5 Ka7 74.Ka4 Kb7 75.Kb4 Kb6 76.Kc4 Kb7 77.Kc5 Kc7 78.b6+ Kb7 79.Kb5 Kb8 80.Ka4 Kb7 81.Ka5 Kb8 82.Kb5 Kb7 83.Kc5 Kb8 84.Kc6 Kc8 85.Kd5 Kb8 86.Kc5 Kb7 87.Kb5 Kb8 88.Kc6 Kc8 89.b7+ Kb8 90.Kb5 Kxb7 ½-½ (90) Merci Mon Ami (2862)-Pinepiper (2730) Blitz 2023

[118] **13...Be6** with **13...Bxa4** 14.Rxa4 Qb8 15.0-0 Rc8 16.b3 generally just deemed to be a little better for White who has the chance to pressurise Black's isolated a-pawn. generally just deemed to be a little better for White who has the chance to pressurise Black's isolated a-pawn. The text, immediately connecting the black rooks along the back rank, may only be 3rd most popular in practice but upon reflection looks like the way to go. The text, immediately connecting the black rooks along the back rank, may only be 3rd most popular in practice but upon reflection looks like the way to go. **14.Bxd7** Qxd7 15.0-0 Rfc8 16.h3

[A slightly odd looking move, the purpose of which is demonstrated well in the more direct variation A slightly odd looking move, the purpose of which is demonstrated well in the more direct variation 16.Ra2 a6 17.Rfa1 Qb7 18.Qd3 d5! 19.Rxa6 *(19.e5 Nd7* being not dissimilar to the main game*)* 19...dxe4 20.fxe4 Ng4! 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.Rxa8+ Qxa8 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 Black has compensation because of the difficulty White has in dealing with the ...Qa7+ and ...Qa1+ threats. [%draw arrow,a8,a7] [%draw arrow,a7,g1] Black has compensation because of the difficulty White has in dealing with the ...Qa7+ and ...Qa1+ threats.]

16...Qc6 17.Ra4 Over-protecting the bishop but getting ready to focus on the black isolani. Over-protecting the bishop but getting ready to focus on the black isolani. 17...d5!? Deflecting the attention from a7 and giving White something to think about. Deflecting the attention from a7 and giving White something to think about. 18.e5

[Upon 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Bxg7 Nxc3 Black is okay tactically after Black is okay tactically after 20.Rh4 Ne2+! *(*Not so much after *20...Kxg7? 21.Qh6+ Kf6 22.Rf4+ Ke6 23.Re1+ Kd7 24.bxc3)* 21.Qxe2 *(* With the black knight in a more annoying

position, With the black knight in a more annoying position, *21.Kf2? Kxg7 22.Qh6+ Kf6* is simply good for Black. is simply good for Black.*)* 21...Kxg7 With the pawn count even, so is the position.]

18...Nd7 19.f4 a6 20.Rfa1 e6 Particularly with how he has placed his rooks, we are very unlikely to see White engage in a kingside offensive now and so it's basically a question of whether he can pick off Black's a-pawn whilst trying to guard his own queenside. Particularly with how he has placed his rooks, we are very unlikely to see White engage in a kingside offensive now and so it's basically a question of whether he can pick off Black's a-pawn whilst trying to guard his own queenside. 21.Kh2 Bf8 It seems to me though that Black is always going to be able to drum up counterplay and that statement is justified in the game continuation. It seems to me though that Black is always going to be able to drum up counterplay and that staement is justified in the game continuation. It seems to me though that Black is always going to be able to drum up counterplay and that statement is justified in the game continuation. 22.Qe2 Nc5 23.R4a2

[A good example of that aforementioned counterplay is demonstrated in the variation A good example of that aforementioned counterplay is demonstrated in the variation 23.Bxc5 Qxc5 24.Rxa6 Rab8! 25.R1a2 Qc4 26.Qxc4 Rxc4 27.Kg3 *(*or *27.g3 d4* i.e. *28.R6a4 dxc3! 29.Rxc4 cxb2)* 27...Bh6 Essentially Black will always have f4/e5 and b2/c2 to scrutinise. Essentially Black will always have f4/e5 and b2/c2 to scrutinise.]

23...Rab8 24.b3 Rb4 25.Qd2

[Too much is loose in White's camp after Too much is loose in White's camp after 25.Bxc5 Qxc5 Well c3 and f4 at least!]

25...Qb7 With no clear ways for either side to progress without weakening their position, it's very possible here that we would have seen some humans agreeing draws right now. However we are talking computers here and with equal chances, we get to see a full game played out! With no clear ways for either side to progress without weakening their position, it's very possible here that we would have seen some humans agreeing draws right now. However we are talking computers here and with equal chances, we get to see a full game played out! 26.Qd1 Rc6 27.Qg1 Not that every move is going to be a thriller! Not that every move is going to be a thriller! 27...h5!? More useful than a concession. 28.Qe3 Qc7 29.Qd2 Kg7 30.Kh1 Be7 31.Rf1 Qb6 32.Qe3 Qb8 33.Rf3 Qd8 34.Rf1 Qc8 35.Rf3 h4 Grasping that g3-square. 36.Rf1 Kh7 37.Qd2 Still about equal then with maybe a miniscule preference for Black. Still about equal then with maybe a miniscule preference for Black. 37...Rb7 38.Kh2 Rbc7 39.Rc1 Qb7 40.Qd1 Kg7 41.Rca1 Qb4 Suddenly Black has a tactical threat in the form of ... Nxb3. Suddenly Black has a tactical threat in the form of ... Nxb3. 42.Rb2 My last note

explaining this move. 42...Rc8 43.Na2 wouldn't have been an unexpected sequence, soon seeing the game terminated but nope with this unhuman move, play continues! wouldn't have been an unexpected sequence, soon seeing the game terminated but nope with this inhuman move, play continues! wouldn't have been an unexpected sequence, soon seeing the game terminated but nope with this inhuman move, play continues! 43...Qa3

[So 43...Qb7 44.Nc3 Qb4 45.Na2 wouldn't have been an unexpected sequence, soon seeing the game terminated but nope with this inhuman move, play continues!]

44.Rbb1 Ne4! This move was necessary or else the black queen was in danger of being embarrassed. It remains in jeopardy but Black has everything in hand. This move was necessary or else the black queen was in danger of being embarressed. It remains in jeopardy but Black has everything in hand. This move was necessary or else the black queen was in danger of being embarrassed. It remains in jeopardy but Black has everything in hand. 45.c3 Qa5 46.Nb4 Bxb4! Through this yes Black is giving up his queen but after Through this; yes Black is giving up his queen but after Through this yes Black is giving up his queen but after 47.Rxa5 Bxa5 48.b4 Bd8 has a rook and a very well placed knight for it as well as obvious pressure against c3. has a rook and a very well placed knight for it as well as obvious pressure against c3. 49.Qa4 Be7

[Also possible was 49...Nxc3 50.Bxc3 Rxc3 51.Qxa6 R8c4 52.b5 Rxf4 53.b6 Rf2 54.b7 Rg3 Black has a perpetual should White promote whilst 55.Rg1? Rb3! would leave Black winning. would leave Black winning.]

50.b5 axb5 51.Rxb5 R6c7

[51...Nxc3 52.Bxc3 Rxc3 would also be fine but it's as though Black is playing for more!]

52.Qa6 Bc5 53.Rb7

[Correctly avoiding 53.Bxc5?! Nxc5 54.Qa1 Ne4]

53...Rc6 54.Qa4 Bxd4 55.cxd4

[Upon 55.Qxd4?! R6c7! White won't get any action whilst c3 will fall. White won't get any action whilst c3 will fall.]

55...Ng3 Suddenly there is a serious threat in ...Rc1-h1 mate. Suddenly there is a serious threat in ...Rc1-h1 mate. 56.Qa7 But of course in attacking f7 White now has a serious threat of 'his' own. But of course in attacking f7 White now has a serious threat of 'his' own. 56...Rf8 57.Rc7 Rxc7 58.Qxc7 Nf5 Black's position is totally impregnable but still the game doesn't end as one might expect. Black's position is totally impregnable but still the game doesn't end as one might expect. 59.Qc5 Ra8 60.Qb6 Rc8 61.Qb2 Ng3 62.Qb1 Rc3 63.Qd1 Nf5 64.Qb1 Nxd4 65.Qb4 Rc4 66.Qe7 Nf5 67.Qf6+ Kg8 68.Qd8+ Kh7 Avoiding the perpetual. You have to admire this! Avoiding the perpetual. You have to admire this! 69.Qf6 Rc7 70.Qd8 Re7 71.Kh1 Kg7 72.Kg1 Rb7 73.Kf2 d4

74.Qf6+ Kg8 75.Qd8+ Kh7 And again but Black is risking little. 76.Ke1 Rb2 77.Qf6 Nh6 78.Qxh4 Rxg2 79.Qd8 Rh2 80.Qh4 d3 81.Kd1 Ra2 82.Kc1 Rc2+ 83.Kd1 Rc5 84.Kd2 Rd5 85.Qf6 Kg8 86.Qh4 Nf5 87.Qg4 Rd4 88.h4 Ng7 89.Kc3 Rd5 90.Kd2 Nh5 91.f5! I'm guessing the phrase 'conserving energy' doesn't really come into play! I'm guessing the phrase 'conserving energy' doesn't really come into play! 91...exf5 92.Qb4 Ng3 93.Qb7 Nf1+ 94.Kc3 Ne3 95.Kd2 f4 96.e6 fxe6 97.Qb8+ Kg7 98.Qc7+ Kf6 99.Qxf4+ Nf5 100.Qg5+ Kf7 101.h5 gxh5 102.Qxh5+ Ke7 103.Qh7+ Kd6 104.Qb7 Ke5 105.Qc8 Nd6 106.Qh8+ Kf5 107.Qh5+ Finally they 'shake hands' as a perpetual is established. Finally they 'shake hands' as a perpetual is established. ½-½ (107) Komodo (3794)-Stoofvlees li A14 (3746) tcec-chess.com INT 2020 [Chris Ward]

[119] **8...d5** 9.e5

[9.0-0-0 e5 10.Nb3 d4 11.Bg5 Nc6 12.Nd5 Be6 13.Bc4 Rc8 14.Kb1 b6 15.h4 Bxd5 16.Bxd5 Ne7 17.Bb7 Rc7 18.Ba6 Qd6 19.g4 Nc6 20.a3 Nd7 21.h5 Nc5 22.Nxc5 Qxc5 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.b4 Qd6 25.Bc4+ Kh8 26.Rxh7+ Kxh7 27.Qh2+ 1-0 (27) Molt7N (2820)-Prem0Ve (2732) Blitz 2022]

9...Ne8 10.f4 f6 11.e6

[11.exf6 Nxf6 12.0-0-0 Ng4 *(12...Nc6 13.Be2 Bg4 14.Rhe1 Qd7 15.h3 Bxe2 16.Qxe2 Rac8 17.Nxc6 Rxc6 18.Bd4 e6 19.g4 Ne8 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qe5 Qc8 22.Rd2 a6 23.Ne2 b5 24.Nd4 Rc4 25.b3 Rc3 26.Nxe6 Nxe6 27.Qxe6+ Qxe6 28.Rxe6 Rxf4 29.Rxa6 Rxh3 30.Rxd5 b4 31.Ra7 Rhf3 32.Rd8+ Rf8 33.Rdd7 Rf1+ 34.Kb2 R8f7 35.Rxf7 Rxf7 36.Ra4 Rb7 37.c3 h5 38.gxh5 gxh5 39.cxb4 Kg7 40.b5 Rxb5 41.Rc4 Kf6 42.a4 Rb8 43.Ka3 Kg5 44.a5 h4 45.Ka4 Re8 46.b4 Re1 47.a6 h3 48.Rc2 Kg4 49.Kb5 Kg3 50.a7 Re8 51.Ka6 h2 52.Rxh2 Kxh2 53.b5* 1-0 (53) Herushkanamura (2901)-Amir (2810) Blitz 2022 *)*

A) 13.Bg1 Rxf4 14.Kb1 *(14.Qxf4 Bh6 15.Qxh6 Nxh6 16.Nf3 e6 17.h4 Nc6 18.h5 g5 19.Be3 Nf7 20.h6 Qf6 21.Bb5 Bd7 22.Rdf1 Qg6 23.Bd3 Qf6 24.Nxg5 Qe5 25.Bxh7+ Kf8 26.Rxf7+ Ke8 27.Bf4 Qd4 28.Bg6* 1-0 (28) Nindja64 (2815)-Ladymercedes (2675) Blitz 2021*)* 14...Rf8 15.Nf3 e6 16.Bd4 Nc6 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Bb5 Nge5 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.Qd4 Rf5 21.g4 Rg5 22.h4 Rxg4 23.Qxe5+ Qf6 24.Qc7+ Qf7 25.Qh2 a6 26.Bd3 Qf4 27.Qe2 Rxh4 28.Rhf1 Qg5 29.Qf2 Qe7 30.Nxd5 exd5 31.Rde1 Qd8 32.Qf7+ Kh6 33.Re7 Qh8 34.Rg1 Bf5 35.Bxf5 Rf8 36.Rxg6+ Kh5 37.Qxh7+ 1-0 (37) Temurkuybokarov (2877)-Prem0Ve (2715) Blitz 2022;

B) 13.Be2 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Nc6 15.Ncb5 Qb6 16.Bf3 e6 17.Rhe1 a6 18.Nxc6 Qxe3+ 19.Rxe3 bxc6 20.Nc7 Rb8 21.Nxe6 Bxb2+ 22.Kd2 Re8 23.Rde1 Bf6 24.Nc5 Rxe3 25.Kxe3 Kf7 26.Kd2 a5 27.g3 Rb2 28.a4 Bf5 29.Nd3 Ra2 30.Rb1 Rxa4 31.Rb7+ Kg8 32.Rc7 Rc4 33.g4 Bxd3 34.cxd3 Rxf4 35.Ke3 Bg5 36.Ke2 Rf6

37.Rxc6 d4 38.Rc5 Bf4 39.Rxa5 Bxh2 40.Be4 Kg7 41.Rd5 Bg1 42.g5 Rf7 43.Rd6 Be3 44.Rd5 h6 45.gxh6+ Kxh6 46.Rd6 Rg7 47.Kf3 Kh5 48.Rd5+ g5 49.Bf5 Kh4 50.Bg4 Rf7+ 51.Rf5 Ra7 52.Rf6 Rh7 53.Bf5 Rh8 54.Rg6 Kh5 55.Rg7 Kh6 56.Rf7 Kh5 57.Rf6 g4+ 58.Bxg4+ Kg5 59.Rf5+ Kg6 60.Rd5 Kg7 61.Bf5 Kf6 62.Kg4 Rf8 63.Rd7 Ke5 64.Re7+ Kd6 65.Be4 Kc5 66.Re6 Kb4 67.Rc6 Rg8+ 68.Kf5 Rf8+ 69.Ke6 Re8+ 70.Kd7 Rg8 71.Rc4+ Kb3 72.Ke7 Kb2 73.Kf7 Rg1 74.Ke6 Rc1 75.Kd5 Rc3 76.Rxd4 Kc2 77.Rc4 Bd2 78.d4+ Kb2 79.Rxc3 Bxc3 80.Kc4 Bd2 0-1 (80) Rosagasa (2819)-Ladymercedes (2681) Blitz 2021;

C) 13.Kb1 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Nc6 15.Ne6 d4 16.Qe4 Bxe6 17.Qxe6+ Kh8 18.g3 Rf6 19.Qe4 Qa5 20.Ne2 d3 21.cxd3 Rd8 22.Bh3 Rfd6 23.Be6 Nb4 24.Nc1 Qb6 25.Bb3 a5 26.Qe2 Nc6 27.Rhe1 Bf6 28.g4 Nd4 29.Qf2 Qc7 30.g5 Bg7 31.Re4 b5 32.Rde1 Nf5 33.Be6 Nd4 34.Bb3 Nf5 35.h4 a4 36.Be6 Nd4 37.h5 gxh5 38.f5 Nxe6 39.Rxe6 a3 40.f6 exf6 41.gxf6 Bh6 42.Re8+ Bf8 43.f7 Kg7 44.Rg1+ Rg6 45.Rf1 Rdd6 46.Qf4 Qd7 47.Qe5+ Rdf6 48.Rxf6 Rxf6 49.bxa3 b4 50.axb4 Qxf7 51.Rc8 Bxb4 52.Rc7 Be7 53.Rxe7 Kg6 54.Rxf7 Rxf7 55.Qe4+ Kg7 56.Qd4+ Kg6 57.Qe4+ Kg7 58.d4 Kg8 59.Qe5 Rf6 60.d5 1-0 (60) Durarbayli (2904)-Prem0Ve (2771) Rapid 2022]

[11.Nf3 fxe5 12.Qxd5+ Qxd5 13.Nxd5 exf4 14.Nxe7+ Kh8 15.Bc5 Be6 16.0-0-0 Nd7 17.Ba3 Nef6 18.h4 Bg4 19.Bc4 Nb6 20.Bb3 Ne4 21.Rde1 Ng3 22.Rh2 Rfe8 23.Ne5 Bxe5 24.Rxe5 Kg7 25.h5 gxh5 26.Bb4 Nd7 27.Re1 Nf6 28.Bc3 Ne2+ 29.Rxe2 Bxe2 30.Nd5 Kg6 31.Nxf6 Red8 32.Nd5 Rf8 33.g3 f3 34.Nf4+ Kg5 35.Ne6+ Kg4 36.Be5 f2 37.Rh4+ Kf3 38.Bd5+ Ke3 39.Bd4# 1-0 (39) Insearchoflosttime (2826)-Ladymercedes (2717) Blitz 2022]

11...f5 12.h4 Nf6 13.h5 Nxh5 14.Rxh5 gxh5 15.0-0-0 Nc6 16.Qe2 a6 17.Qxh5 Nxd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.Rxd4 Bxe6 20.Qd1 Qd6 21.g3 Rac8 22.Nxd5 Bxd5 23.Rxd5 Qe6 24.Qd2 Rc6 25.Bg2 Rd6 26.Rxd6 Qxd6 27.Qxd6 exd6 28.Bxb7 a5 29.a4 Kh8 30.Bd5 Rf6 31.b4 axb4 32.a5 Rg6 33.a6 Rg7 34.Bb7 Rxg3 35.a7 Ra3 36.a8Q+ Rxa8 37.Bxa8 1-0 (37) Deacbogdan1 (2937)-Ladymercedes (2694) Blitz 2021

8...e6 9.0-0-0 d5 10.e5 Ne8 11.f4 f6 12.h4 fxe5 13.fxe5 Bxe5 14.h5 Nc6 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Nxc6 bxc6 17.Bd3 Rb8 18.Bxg6 Rb7 19.Rh5 Qf6 20.Qd3 Bf4 21.Rdh1 Bxe3+ 22.Qxe3 Qxg6 23.Rg5 Qxg5 24.Qxg5+ Rg7 25.Qe5 Rf5 26.Qb8 Rc7 27.Na4 d4 28.Qb3 Rg7 29.g4 Rd5 30.Qb8 Rc7 31.Rh5 Rxh5 32.gxh5 c5 33.b3 Kf7 34.Nb2 Bb7 35.Qd8 Re7 36.Nd3 e5 37.h6 Be4 38.Nxc5 Bf5 39.Qd5+ Kf8 40.b4 Nc7 41.Qf3 Rf7 42.Qg3 e4 43.Qe5 e3 44.Qh8+ Ke7 45.Qxd4 e2 46.Qe5+ Ne6 47.Qxe2 Kf6 48.Ne4+ Bxe4 49.Qxe4 Ng5 50.Qc6+ Kf5 51.c4 Kg4 52.c5 Rf1+ 53.Kb2 Rf2+ 54.Kb3 Rf7 55.Qd6 Rf3+ 56.Ka4 Kh5 57.c6 Rf7 58.c7 Rxc7 59.Qxc7 Kxh6 60.Qxa7

Kg6 61.b5 Ne6 62.a3 Kf6 63.Qg1 Ke7 64.b6 Kd6 65.b7 Nc5+ 66.Qxc5+ Kxc5 67.Kb3 Kb6 68.b8Q+ Kc6 69.a4 Kd5 70.a5 Ke4 71.a6 Kf5 72.a7 Kg5 73.Qh2 Kg4 74.a8Q Kf5 75.Qe8 Kg5 76.Qf4+ Kxf4 77.Qh5 Ke4 78.Kc3 Kf4 79.Kd4 Kg3 80.Ke3 Kg2 81.Qg5+ Kh3 82.Kf3 Kh2 83.Qg2# 1-0 (83) Arasanx (2832)-Admete (2359) Rapid 2023

[120] **9.g4** b5 10.0-0-0 [10.h4

A) 10...Bb7 11.h5 b4 12.Na4 Qa5 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Bc4+ Kh8 *(14...d5 15.Bb3 Nbd7 16.0-0-0 Kh8 17.Ne6 dxe4 18.g5 exf3 19.gxf6 Nxf6 20.Nac5 Bc6 21.Qd3 Be8 22.Nxf8 Bxf8 23.Rxh7+ Nxh7 24.Qd5 e6 25.Qxe6 Bf7 26.Qxf7 Bxc5 27.Rd7 Bxe3+ 28.Kb1 Qxa2+ 29.Bxa2 Nf8 30.Qg7# 1-0 (30) Proteussf Turbo (2904)-Admete (2419) Rapid 2023)* 15.Bh6 *(15.Bb3 Nc6 16.0-0-0 Nd8 17.Rh4 e5 18.Nf5 gxf5 19.g5 d5 20.Qh2 Qc7 21.Rh1 Kg8 22.gxf6 Rxf6 23.Rxh7 Ne6 24.exd5 Bxd5 25.Bxd5 Rd8 26.Qh5 Kf8 27.Bxe6 Rd4 28.Bb3 a5 29.Bxd4 exd4 30.Re1 Qf4+ 31.Kb1 Qe4 32.Rxe4 fxe4 33.Qc5+ Ke8 34.Rxg7 Rf7 35.Rxf7 Kd8 36.Qf8# 1-0 (36) Proteussf Turbo (2921)-Admete (2320) Rapid 2023)* 15...Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Nbd7 17.g5 Qxa4 18.0-0-0 Rg8

A1) 19.Bxg8 Rxg8 20.gxf6 Nxf6 21.Ne6 Nh5 22.Nf8 Rg7 23.Nxg6+ Rxg6 24.Qxh5 Rg7 25.Rdg1 Qb5 26.e5 Bc8 27.Rxg7 Kxg7 28.Qxh7+ Kf8 29.Qh8+ *(29.exd6 Qg5+ 30.f4 Qxf4+ 31.Kb1 Qxd6 32.Qh8+ Kf7 33.Rf1+ Bf5 34.Qh5+ Kg7 35.Qxf5 Qf6 36.Qg4+ Qg6 37.Qd4+ Qf6 38.Rxf6 exf6 39.Qxb4 Kg6 40.Qd4 f5 41.c4 Kh5 42.c5 f4 43.Qxf4 Kg6 44.c6 Kh5 45.c7 Kg6 46.c8Q Kg7 47.Qff8+ Kg6 48.Qcf5# 1-0 (48) Proteussf Open (2872)-Admete (2348) Rapid 2023)* 29...Kf7 30.Qxc8 Qxe5 31.Rh7+ Kg6 32.Qg8+ Kf5 33.Rh5+ Kf4 34.Qg4+ Ke3 35.Rxe5+ dxe5 36.Qxb4 *(36.Qe4+ Kf2 37.Kd2 a5 38.Qe3+ Kg3 39.Ke2 e4 40.Qxe4 Kg2 41.Qg4+ Kh1 42.Kf2 b3 43.Qg2# 1-0 (43) Proteussf Lite (2868)-Admete (2361) Rapid 2023)* 36...Kxf3 37.Kd2 e6 38.Kd3 a5 39.Qe4+ Kg3 40.Ke3 a4 41.a3 Kh2 42.Kf2 Kh3 43.c4 Kh2 44.Qg2# 1-0 (44) Proteussf Turbo (2945)-Admete (2384) Rapid 2023;

A2) 19.gxf6 Nxf6 20.Ne6 *(20.e5 Nh5 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.Bd3 Rg7 23.Ne6 Rag8 24.Nxg7 Rxg7 25.Bxh7 Qxa2 26.Bf5+ Kg8 27.Be6+ Qxe6 28.Qxe6+ Kf8 29.exd6 Bc6 30.d7 Bxd7 31.Rxd7 Ke8 32.Ra7 Rg1+ 33.Kd2 Rg2+ 34.Ke3 Re2+ 35.Kxe2 Kf8 36.Qxe7+ Kg8 37.Ra8# 1-0 (37) Proteussf Lite (2894)-Admete (2380) Rapid 2023)* 20...Nh5 21.Ng5 Rg7 22.Nf7+ Kg8 23.Nxd6+ Kh8 24.Nf7+ Rxf7 25.Bxf7 Qc6 26.Rdg1 Qf6 27.Bxg6 Qf4+ 28.Qxf4 Nxf4 29.Rxh7+ Kg8 30.Bf5+ Kf8

A2a) 31.Rg4 b3 32.axb3 Ne2+ 33.Kb1 Nd4 34.e5

(34.Bg6 Kg8 35.Rxe7 Bc8 36.Re8+ Kg7 37.Bf5+ Kf7 38.Rxc8 Rxc8 39.Bxc8 Ke7 40.Bxa6 Nxf3 41.Rf4 Nd4 42.Bc4 Kd6 43.e5+ Kxe5 44.Rxd4 Kxd4 45.b4 Kxc4 46.c3 Kb5 47.Kc1 Ka4 48.Kc2 Kb5 49.Kb3 Kb6 50.Ka4 Kc6 51.b5+ Kc5 52.Ka5 Kd5 53.c4+ Kxc4 54.b6 Kb3 55.b7 Kxb2 56.Kb4 Kc2 57.b8Q Kd2 58.Qf4+ Kd3 59.Kb3 Ke2 60.Kc2 Ke1 61.Kd3 Kd1 62.Qf1# 1-0 (62) Proteussf Turbo (2928)-Admete (2352) Rapid 2023*)* 34...Bd5 35.Rxd4 Bg8 36.Rh8 Kf7 37.Rg4 Rf8 38.Rhxg8 Rxg8 39.Be6+ Kxe6 40.Rxg8 Kxe5 41.Ra8 Kd4 42.Rxa6 e5 43.b4 e4 44.fxe4 Kxe4 45.b5 Kd5 46.Rh6 Ke5 47.b6 Kf4 48.b7 Kg5 49.Ra6 Kf4 50.b8Q+ Ke3 51.Qe5+ Kf2 52.Qf4+ Ke2 53.Re6+ Kd1 54.Qc1# 1-0 (54) Proteussf Lite (2946)-Admete (2317) Rapid 2023;

A2b) 31.Kd2 Bc6 32.e5 e6 33.Rh8+ Kf7 34.Rh7+ Kf8 35.Be4 Rd8+ 36.Ke3 Nd5+ 37.Kf2 Be8 38.Rh8+ Kf7 39.Rhg8 Ke7 40.R1g7+ Bf7 41.Rxd8 Kxd8 42.Rxf7 Nb6 43.Ra7 Nc4 44.Rxa6 Kd7 45.f4 Nxb2 46.Ke2 Ke7 47.f5 exf5 48.Bd5 Kd8 49.e6 Nd1 50.Kxd1 Ke7 51.Ra7+ Kf6 52.e7 b3 53.Bxb3 Ke5 54.e8Q+ Kf6 55.Kd2 Kg5 56.Rg7+ Kf4 57.Qe3# 1-0 (57) Proteussf Lite (2958)-Admete (2315) Rapid 2023;

B) 10...d5 11.e5 Nfd7 12.f4 Nb6 13.h5 b4 14.hxg6 bxc3 15.Qh2 h6 16.gxf7+ Rxf7 17.b3 e6 18.g5 Qe8 19.gxh6 Bf8

B1) 20.Bd3 Kh8 21.Ke2 Nc4 22.Rag1 Rh7 23.Qg3 *(23.Rg7 Ra7 24.bxc4 Re7 25.Bxh7 Nc6 26.Nxc6 Rb7 27.Rhg1 a5 28.Bd3 Qf7 29.Rxf7 Rxf7 30.Qg3 Bg7 31.hxg7+ Kg8 32.Qg6 dxc4 33.Qh7#* 1-0 (33) Proteussf Turbo (2950)-Admete (2383) Rapid 2023*)* 23...Qf7 24.Bxh7 Nxe5 25.fxe5 Bd7 26.Bg8 Qe8 27.Bxe6 Bxe6 28.Nxe6 Qxe6 29.h7 Nd7 30.Qg8+ Qxg8 31.hxg8Q# 1-0 (31) Proteussf Turbo (2961)-Admete (2367) Rapid 2023;

B2) 20.Rg1+ Kh8 21.Bd3 Rb7 22.Qg3 Bxh6 23.Rh1 Raa7 24.Rxh6+ Rh7 25.Bxh7 Rxh7 26.Rxh7+ Kxh7 27.Qh4+ Kg8 28.Qg5+ Kh7 29.0-0-0 Qg6 30.Rh1+ Kg7 31.Qe7+ Kg8 32.Qd8+ Kg7 33.f5 Qg1+ 34.Bxg1 exf5 35.Qf6+ Kg8 36.Rh8# 1-0 (36) Proteussf Open (2963)-Admete (2347) Rapid 2023]

10...Bb7 11.h4 h5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Bxd5 14.gxh5 Nc6 15.Nxc6 Bxc6 16.Bh6 e5 17.Be2 Qf6 18.Rhg1 Bxf3 19.hxg6 Bxe2 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.gxf7+ Kh8 22.Qxe2 Rxf7 23.b3 Raf8 24.Kb1 Qf3 25.Qxf3 Rxf3 26.Rxd6 R8f6 27.Rg6 Rxg6 28.Rxg6 e4 29.Rxa6 Kg7 30.Kc1 e3 31.Kd1 Rf1+ 32.Ke2 Rf2+ 33.Kxe3 Rxc2 34.h5 Kh7 35.Kd4 b4 36.h6 Kg8 37.Rb6 Kf7 38.Rxb4 Rd2+ 39.Kc3 Rxa2 40.h7 Ra8 41.h8Q Rxh8 42.Re4

Kf6 43.b4 Kf5 44.Re1 Rc8+ 45.Kd4 Rd8+ 46.Kc5 Rc8+ 47.Kd6 Rb8 48.Rb1 Rd8+ 49.Kc7 Rd3 50.b5 Ke6 51.b6 Rc3+ 52.Kb8 Kd7 53.Ra1 Ke6 54.b7 Kd5 55.Ka8 Rb3 56.b8Q Rxb8+ 57.Kxb8 Kd4 58.Kc7 Kd3 59.Ra4 Ke3 60.Kd6 Kf3 61.Ke5 Kg3 62.Rf4 Kg2 63.Ke4 Kg3 64.Ke3 Kg2 65.Rf3 Kg1 66.Rf2 Kh1 67.Kf3 Kg1 68.Kg3 Kh1 69.Rf1# 1-0 (69) Nikitosikbot (3027)-Playwithkomodo (2619) Blitz 2023

121 **9...Nc6** 10.g4
[10.Kb1 Bd7 11.g4 b5 12.h4 h5 13.gxh5 Nxh5 14.Rg1 b4 15.Nd5 e6 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Nxb4 Rb8 18.c3 Bb5 19.Bg5 Qa5 20.Bh6 Bxf1 21.Rdxf1 Rfc8 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Rg5 Qb6 24.Rfg1 a5 25.Nd3 a4 26.f4 a3 27.b3 Nf6 28.Re1 Qc6 29.Qe2 Qxc3 30.Rg2 d5 31.exd5 Nxd5 32.Qe5+ Qxe5 33.fxe5 Nc3+ 34.Ka1 Rd8 35.Nf4 Rd4 36.Rf1 Rbd8 37.Rgg1 Rd2 0-1 (37) Mr Baronmunchausen (2867)-Evilhamburger (2716) Blitz 2024]
10...Bd7 11.h4 h5 12.g5
[12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 hxg4 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h5 Rh8 17.Bd3 Qb6 18.Qf4 gxh5 19.Rde1 Kf8 20.fxg4 h4 21.g5 Rg8 22.g6 f6 23.Qh6+ Ke8 24.Qh7 Kd8 25.Qxg8+ Kc7 26.Qxa8 Qc5 27.g7 Qxd5 28.g8Q Qg5+ 29.Qxg5 fxg5 30.Rxe7 Kc6 31.Qd8 b5 32.Rxd7 Kc5 33.Rxd6 Kb4 34.Rd4+ Kc5 35.Qd6# 1-0 (35) Arasanx (2861)-Bot Adario (2571) Blitz 2024]
12...Ne8 13.f4 e5 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.f5 gxf5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Be2 Bg6 18.Bc5 Kh8 19.Bf3 Rb8 20.Ba3 Qb6 21.b3 Qa5 22.Na4 Qxd2+ 23.Rxd2 e4 24.Rd3 exd3 0-1 (24) Fantasticinspiration (2874)-Daddy Calling (3062) Blitz 2022

122 **10.Kb1** Bb7
[10...b4 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Bb7 13.Bc4 a5 14.h4 Qc7 15.b3 Nd7 16.h5 Ne5 17.Bb5 Rfc8 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Bh6 Qc3 20.Bxg7 Qxd2 21.Rxd2 Kxg7 22.f4 Ng4 23.Nc6 Rc7 24.Re1 e6 25.g3 Nf6 26.dxe6 Bxc6 27.Bd3 d5 28.exf7 Kxf7 29.g4 Ne4 30.Rh2 Rg8 31.f5 gxf5 32.gxf5 Kf6 33.Rh6+ Kxf5 34.Reh1 Ke5 35.Kb2 Kd4 36.R1h4 a4 37.bxa4 Bxa4 38.Rb6 Kc5 39.Ra6 Nc3 40.a3 Rb8 41.Ra5+ Kd6 42.axb4 Bd7 43.Ra6+ Ke5 44.Rh5+ Kd4 45.Rh4+ Ne4 46.Kc1 Rxb4 47.Rah6 Bf5 48.R6h5 Rcb7 49.Bxe4 Bxe4 50.Rh3 Rc4 51.Rh2 Rbc7 52.R5h4 Rxc2+ 53.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 54.Kd1 Ra2 55.Kc1 Kc3 56.Kd1 Bd3 57.Ke1 d4 58.Rh8 Ra1+ 59.Kf2 Kd2 60.Rc8 Re1 61.Rd8 Re2+ 62.Kg3 Re3+ 63.Kf4 Re4+ 64.Kf3 Rh4 65.Kg3 Re4 66.Kf3 Bc2 67.Rc8 Re3+ 68.Kf2 d3 69.Rd8 Re6 70.Rc8 Rf6+ 71.Kg3 Kd1 72.Kg4 d2 73.Rd8 Re6 74.Kg5 Re1 75.Rxd2+ Kxd2 76.Kf4 Bd3 77.Kf3 Re2 78.Kf4 Re3 79.Kg5 Ke2 80.Kg4 Kf2 81.Kg5 Rf3 82.Kg4 Rg3+ 83.Kf4 Kg2 84.Ke5 Kh3 85.Kd6 Kg4 86.Kc5 Rf3 87.Kd4 Kf4 88.Kc5 Re3 89.Kb4 Ke4 90.Kc5 Be2 91.Kb4 Kd3 92.Ka5 Bf3 93.Kb6 Be4 94.Ka7 Kd4 95.Kb6 Rb3+ 96.Kc7 Kc4 97.Kd8 Kd5 98.Ke7 Rd3 99.Kf8 Kd4 100.Kg7 Ke5 101.Kh6 Rd6+ 102.Kg5 Rf6 103.Kh5 ½-½ (103) Kelevra317 (2890)-Sina Iran (2803) Blitz 2021]
11.g4 Nc6 12.g5 Nd7 13.h4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Qb6 16.Qxb6

Nxb6 17.Ne2 Rfc8 18.Nf4 b4 19.h5 Rc5 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Rg1 a5 22.Bd3 Ba6 23.Bxa6 Rxa6 24.Nd3 Rc7 25.b3 Nd7 26.Rd2 e6 27.Rh1 Kf8 28.Rh7 Ke7 29.Nf4 Ne5 30.Rdh2 Rac6 31.Rg7 Rc3 32.Rf2 a4 33.Rh7 a3 34.Rh3 Re3 35.Re2 Rxf3 36.Rxf3 Nxf3 37.Nd3 Nd4 38.Rf2 Rb7 39.e5 d5 40.Nc5 Rb5 41.Nd3 Nf5 42.Rf4 d4 43.Kc1 Kd7 44.Kd2 Kc6 45.Rf2 Kd5 46.Rh2 Rb8 47.Rh7 Rf8 48.Rh2 Rb8 49.Rh7 Rb7 50.Rh8 Ng3 51.Rd8+ Ke4 52.Nc5+ Kxe5 53.Nxb7 Ne4+ 54.Kd3 Nc3 55.Ra8 Nxa2 56.Na5 Nc1+ 57.Kd2 Na2 58.Ra7 Kd5 59.Rxf7 Nc3 60.Nc4 Ne4+ 61.Ke2 Nxg5 62.Ra7 Ne4 63.Ra5+ Kc6 64.Kd3 Nc5+ 65.Kxd4 Nb7 66.Ra6+ Kd7 67.Ne5+ Kc7 68.Nd3 Nd6 69.Nxb4 Nb5+ 70.Kc5 Nd6 71.Rxa3 Nc8 72.Kb5 Nb6 73.Ra7+ Kb8 74.Kxb6 Kc8 75.Nc6 e5 76.Rc7# 1-0 (76) Kelevra317 (2903)-Classical Chess Game (2912) Blitz 2022

10.Bh6 b4

[10...Bb7 11.h4 Nc6 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.h5 Qa5 *(13...Qe8 14.g4 Kh8 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Bxg7+ Kxg7 17.Qh6+ Kh8 18.Bd3 Qf7 19.e5 dxe5 20.g5 Ng8 21.Qxg6 Qxg6 22.Bxg6 h6 23.Be4 Bxe4 24.fxe4 Rad8 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.gxh6 Nf6 27.Rd1 Rd4 28.Rxd4 exd4 29.Nd5 Nxe4 30.Nxe7 Kh7 31.Nf5 Kg6 32.b4 Nf6 33.Nxd4 Kxh6 34.Ne6 Nd5 35.a3 Kg6 36.Nc5 Nc7 37.Kd2 Kf6 38.Kd3 Ke5 39.c4 Kd6 40.Kd4 Kc6 41.a4 bxa4 42.Nxa4 Ne6+ 43.Kc3 Kd6 44.Nb2 Kc6 45.Nd3 Kd6 46.Kb3 Kc6 47.Ka4 Kb6 48.c5+ Kb7 49.Ne5 Nd4 50.Nc4 Nc6 51.Na5+ Nxa5 52.Kxa5 Ka7 53.c6 Ka8 54.Kxa6 Kb8 55.Kb6 Kc8 56.c7* Normal 1-0 (56) Vistagausta (2838)-Canc3111 (2660) Blitz 2024*)* 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Qh6+ Kg8 17.Bd3 e5 18.g4 Rf7 19.g5 Nd7 20.Kb1 Nf8 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 Qc7 23.Be4 Rf4 24.Rh2 Qg7 25.Qh3 Qe7 26.Qg3 Rf7 27.Rdh1 Rg7 28.a3 Nd7 29.Bxg6 Rxg6 30.Rxh7 Qxh7 31.Rxh7 Kxh7 32.Qh3+ Kg8 33.Qxd7 Rf8 34.Qg4 Rf4 35.Qc8+ Rf8 36.Qxa6 Rxf3 37.Qxb5 Rxg5 38.Qe8+ Kg7 39.Qe7+ Kg6 40.Qxd6+ Rf6 41.Qe7 Kf5 42.d6 Rg1+ 43.Ka2 Rd1 44.d7 Rfd6 45.Qf7+ Kg5 46.Qg7+ Kf5 47.Qh7+ Ke6 48.Qh3+ Ke7 49.Qf5 Re6 50.Qh7+ Kd8 51.Qg8+ Kxd7 52.Qf7+ Re7 53.Qf3 Rd6 54.b4 e4 55.Qe3 Re5 56.a4 Ke6 57.b5 Kd5 58.b6 Re7 59.a5 Kc6 60.Qc3+ Kb5 61.Ka3 e3 62.Qb4+ Kc6 63.Qc4+ Kb7 64.Qb5 e2 65.a6+ Kb8 66.b7 e1Q 67.a7+ Kxa7 68.b8Q# Normal 1-0 (68) Vistagausta (2844)-Canc3111 (2654) Blitz 2024]

11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 a5 13.h4 Bb7 14.h5 Bxd5 15.Nf5 Normal 1-0 (15) Vistagausta (2850)-Canc3111 (2648) Blitz 2024

[123] **11.Nce2** a5 12.h5 Nxh5 13.g4 Nf6 14.Ng3 a4 15.Qh2 b3 16.a3 bxc2 17.Rd2 Ra5 18.g5 Nh5 19.Nxh5 gxh5 20.Qxh5 h6 21.Qh2

[21.Rg2 Kh8 22.Qh4 Qb6 *(22...Kh7 23.Bc4 d5 24.Bd3 Ra6 25.Bxa6 Nxa6 26.g6+ fxg6 27.Bxh6 Rh8 28.Rxg6 Bxd4 29.Qh5 Bxb2+ 30.Kxb2 Qb6+ 31.Rxb6 c1Q+ 32.Bxc1+ Kg7 33.Qxh8+ Kf7 34.Rh7#* 1-0 (34) Proteussf Open (2960)-Admete (2302) Rapid 2023*)*

23.g6 h5 24.gxf7 Rxf7 25.Bc4 Nd7 26.Bxf7 Nf6 27.Nf5 Qxe3+ 28.Nxe3 Bh6 29.f4 Bg4 30.Rxg4 Bf8 31.Qg3 Bg7 32.Rxg7 Ng4 33.Qxg4 Rg5 34.Qxg5 *(34.Rxg5 h4 35.Rxh4#* 1-0 (35) Proteussf Lite (2915)-Admete (2305) Rapid 2023*)* 34...h4 35.Rxh4# 1-0 (35) Proteussf Open (3024)-Admete (2342) Rapid 2023]

21...Kh8 22.Rg2 Kh7

[22...Qb6 23.g6 h5 24.gxf7 Rxf7 25.Bc4 e6 26.Bd5 Kg8 27.Qxh5 *(27.Rxg7+ Rxg7 28.Qxh5 Bd7 29.Bxe6+ Kf8 30.Qh8+ Ke7 31.Qxg7+ Kd8 32.Bxd7 Qxd4 33.Bxd4 Nxd7 34.Rh7 Ra7 35.Bxa7 Nf6 36.Qxf6+ Ke8 37.Qe7#* 1-0 (37) Proteussf Turbo (2923)-Admete (2367) Rapid 2023*)* 27...Kf8 28.Rxg7 Rxg7 29.Qh8+ Kf7 30.Qxc8 Qxb2+ 31.Kxb2 c1Q+ 32.Rxc1 Rb5+

A) 33.Ka1 Rc5 34.Qxe6+ Kf8 35.Rh1 Rc1+ 36.Bxc1 Rd7 37.Bh6+ *(37.Rh8+ Kg7 38.Qh6#* 1-0 (38) Proteussf Lite (2929)-Admete (2320) Rapid 2023*)* 37...Rg7 38.Qf7# 1-0 (38) Proteussf Lite (2960)-Admete (2313) Rapid 2023;

B) 33.Nxb5 Rg2+ 34.Ka1 Ra2+ 35.Bxa2 d5 36.Rc7+ Kg6 37.Qxe6+ Kh5 38.Rh7# 1-0 (38) Proteussf Open (2999)-Admete (2347) Rapid 2023]

23.Qg3

[23.Rhg1 Qe8 24.gxh6 Bf6 25.e5 Bxe5 26.Bd3+ f5 27.Rg7+ Kh8 28.f4 Bf6 29.Qg2 Nd7 30.h7 Qh5 31.Rg8+ Kxh7 32.Nxf5 Qd1+ 33.Rxd1 cxd1Q+ 34.Kxd1 Rxg8 35.Nxe7+ Kh6 36.Nxg8+ Kh5 37.Bg6+ Kh4 38.Bf2# 1-0 (38) Proteussf Lite (2973)-Admete (2310) Rapid 2023]

23...h5 24.Rxh5+ Kg8 25.Rh1 Re8 26.g6 f6 27.Rh8+ Bxh8 28.Qh4 Rh5 29.Qxh5 Bg7 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Bh6 Bxh6+ 32.Qxh6+ Kg8 33.Qh7+ Kf8 34.Qf7# 1-0 (34) Proteussf Open (3095)-Admete (2314) Rapid 2023

[124] **14.Bh6**

[14.h5 Rc8 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Bh6 Bf6 17.Bg5 Bg7 18.Bh6 Bf6 19.Bg5 Bg7 20.Nf5 gxf5 21.Bh6 Bf6 22.Rh5 f4 *(22...b3 23.Qg5+ Bxg5+ 24.Rxg5+ Kh7 25.Bf8 Qe1 26.Rxe1 Rxc4 27.Rh1+ Rh4 28.Rxh4#* 1-0 (26) Proteussf Open (2931)-Admete (2346) Rapid 2023*)* 23.Qxf4 Bxb2+ 24.Kb1 f6 25.Qf5 Kf7 26.Rg5 Qxa2+ 27.Bxa2 Ke8 28.Rg8+ Kf7 29.Qg6# 1-0 (29) Proteussf Turbo (3087)-Admete (2421) Rapid 2023]

14...Bxd5

[14...Rc8 15.Bxg7 Rxc4

A) 16.h5 Qxa2 17.Qh6 Qa1+ 18.Kd2 Qxb2 19.Ke3 *(19.Ke1 Qc3+ 20.Kf2 Rxd4 21.Bxd4 Qxc2+ 22.Rd2 Qxd2+ 23.Qxd2 Bxd5 24.hxg6 fxg6 25.Qh6 Kf7 26.Qg5 h5 27.Qxd5+ e6 28.Qb7+ Ke8 29.Qxa8 e5 30.Qxb8+ Kd7 31.Rc1 exd4 32.Rc7+ Ke6 33.Qe8+ Kf6 34.Rf7+ Kg5 35.Qe7+ Kh6 36.Rh7#* 1-0 (36) No Stockfish Bots (3012)-Admete (2368) Blitz 2024*)* 19...Nc6 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Qxh7+ Kf7 22.Bf8+ Ke8 23.dxc6 Rc3+ 24.Rd3 Rxd3+ 25.cxd3 Qxd4+ 26.Kxd4 Kxf8 27.Qxg6 e5+ 28.Ke3 Bxc6 29.Qf6+ Ke8 30.Rh8+ Kd7 31.Qf7# 1-0 (31) No Stockfish Bots (3014)-Admete

(2361) Blitz 2024;
B) 16.Qh6 Nd7 17.h5 Bxd5 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bh8 Kf7 20.Qg7+ Ke8 21.Rxh7 Kd8 22.Qxe7+ Kc7 23.Qxd7+ Kb6 24.Qxd6+ Rc6 25.Nxc6 Bxc6 26.Bd4+ Kb5 27.Qc5+ Ka4 28.b3+ Ka3 29.Qxa5+ Ba4 30.Qxa4# 1-0 (30) Proteussfx Ai (3184)-Admete (2410) Blitz 2024]

15.Bxg7 Bxc4 16.Qh6

[16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.a3 Nd7 18.Qxb4 Qxb4 19.axb4 Rb8 20.b3 Bd5 21.c3 e5 22.Nc2 Bxb3 23.Rxd6 Nb6 24.Re1 h5 25.Rc6 Ba4 26.Rc5

A) 26...f6 27.Rd1 Rb7 28.Rd2 Be8 29.c4 f5 30.Ne3 Nd7 31.Ra5 Rxb4 32.Rb2 Rb8 33.Rxb8 Nxb8 34.Rxe5 Nc6 35.Re6 a5 *(35...Nb4 36.Nd5 Nxd5 37.cxd5 Kf7 38.Kd2 Bb5 39.Kc3 a5 40.Kd4 a4 41.Rb6 Bf1 42.Rb7+ Kf6 43.f4 Bxg2 44.Ra7 Bf3 45.Ra6+ Ke7 46.Rxa4 Be2 47.Ke5 Kd7 48.Ra7+ Kd8 49.Kf6 Bc4 50.d6 Be2 51.Kxg6 Bg4 52.Kf6 Be2 53.Kxf5 Bd3+ 54.Ke5 Bc4 55.d7 Be6 56.Kd6 Bxd7 57.Rxd7+ Ke8 58.Ke6 Kf8 59.Kf6 Kg8 60.Rd8+ Kh7 61.Rb8 Kh6 62.Rh8#* 1-0 (64) Proteussf Turbo (2951)-Admete (2329) Rapid 2023*)* 36.Rd6 Kg7 37.Nd5 Ne5 38.Re6 Nd3+ 39.Kd2 Bf7 40.Re7 Nb4 41.Nxb4 axb4 42.Rb7 Kf6 43.Rxb4 Ke5 44.Ke3 Be8 45.Rb6 f4+ 46.Kd3 Bd7 47.Rb5+ Bxb5 48.cxb5 Kd5 49.b6 Kc6 50.Ke4 Kxb6 51.Kxf4 Kc5 52.Kg5 Kd6 53.Kxg6 Ke5 54.g4 Kd4 55.gxh5 Kd3 56.h6 Ke3 57.h7 Kxf3 58.h8Q Ke3 59.Qc3+ Ke4 60.h5 Kd5 61.h6 Ke6 62.h7 Kd7 63.h8Q Kd6 64.Qe8 Kd5 65.Qee5# 1-0 (65) No Stockfish Bots (2981)-Admete (2483) Rapid 2024;

B) 26...Kg7 27.Rcxe5 Rc8 28.Rc5 Rxc5 29.bxc5 Nd7 30.Kd2 Nxc5 31.c4 Kf6 *(31...a5 32.Re5 Nb7 33.Re7 Nd6 34.Ne3 Bc6 35.Rc7 Be8 36.Ra7 Bc6 37.Rxa5 Nc8 38.Kc3 Kf8 39.Kb4 Ke7 40.Kc5 Kd7 41.Nd5 Bxd5 42.cxd5 Kd8 43.g4 Kd7 44.Ra8 Kc7 45.Rxc8+ Kxc8 46.gxh5 gxh5 47.Kd6 Kd8 48.f4 Ke8 49.f5 Kd8 50.f6 Ke8 51.Kc7 Kf8 52.d6 Kg8 53.d7 Kh7 54.Kd6 Kh6 55.Ke5 Kg6 56.d8Q Kh7 57.Qf8 Kg6 58.Qg7#* 1-0 (58) Proteussf Turbo (2846)-Admete (2413) Rapid 2023*)* 32.Nb4 a5 33.Nd5+ Kg7 34.Kc3 Bc6 35.Kd4 Nb3+ 36.Kc3 Nc5 37.Nf4 Kf6 38.Kd4 Nb3+ 39.Kc3 Nc5 40.Nd3 Nxd3 41.Kxd3 a4 42.Kd4 Bd7 43.Re5 Bc6 44.Rc5 Bd7 45.Ra5 Ke6 46.g4 hxg4 47.fxg4 Kf6 48.Ra6+ Be6 49.g5+ Kf5 50.Rxa4 Kg4 51.Ke5 Kxh4 52.Kf4 Kh3 53.c5 Kg2 54.Ra6 Bh3 55.Rf6 Kf2 56.Rxf7 Ke2 57.Rf6 Bf1 58.Rxg6 Kd3 59.c6 Bg2 60.Rf6 Bh3 61.g6 Bg2 62.c7 Bh3 63.g7 Kc3 64.g8Q Kb4 65.c8Q Bxc8 66.Qxc8 Kb5 67.Ra6 Kb4 68.Rb6+ Ka3 69.Qa6# 1-0 (69) Proteussf Open (3056)-Admete (2342) Rapid 2023]

16...Rc8 17.h5 Nd7 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Rde1

[19.Qxh7+ Kf7 20.Be5+ Ke8 21.Bxd6 Qg5+ 22.f4 Qf6 23.Bxe7 Qxf4+ 24.Kb1 Nf6

A) 25.Bxf6 Qxf6 26.b3 Qf7 27.bxc4 *(27.Qh8+ Kd7 28.Qe5*

Rd8 29.Qc5 Bd5 30.Nc6 Qe6 31.Rxd5+ Ke8 32.Nxd8 Rxd8 33.Qc7 Qe7 34.Rxd8+ Kf7 35.Rf1+ Kg7 36.Qxe7+ Kh6 37.Rh1# 1-0 (37) Proteussf Turbo (2924)-Admete (2311) Rapid 2023*)* 27...Qxh7 28.Rxh7 Rc5 29.Re1+ Kf8 30.Ree7 Re5 31.Rxe5 Kg8 32.Rc7 Rc8 33.Rxc8+ Kg7 34.Ra5 Kh7 35.Rc7+ Kh6 36.g4 b3 37.axb3 g5 38.Rxa6# 1-0 (38) Proteussf Open (2997)-Admete (2324) Rapid 2023;

B) 25.Qg7 Nh5 26.Rxh5 gxh5 27.Bxb4 Qe3 28.Rf1 *(28.Ne6 Bxa2+ 29.Ka1 Qc1+ 30.Rxc1 Ra7 31.Qxa7 Rc5 32.Bxc5 Bb3 33.Qe7#* 1-0 (33) Proteussf Turbo (2904)-Admete (2419) Rapid 2023*)* 28...Bxf1 29.Qf8+ Kd7 30.Qf7+ Kd8 31.Ba5+ Rc7 32.Nc6+ Kc8 33.Qxc7# 1-0 (33) Proteussf Lite (3098)-Admete (2354) Rapid 2023]

19...Kf7 20.Qxh7

[20.Qf4+ Kg8 21.Rxh7 Qh5 22.Rxh5 gxh5 23.Qg5 Rc5 24.Be5+ Kf7 25.Qg7+ Ke8 26.Bxd6 Kd8 27.Qh8+ Bg8 28.Qxg8+ Nf8 29.Rxe7 Rxc2+ 30.Nxc2 Rc8 31.Qxf8# 1-0 (31) Proteussf Turbo (2975)-Admete (2341) Rapid 2023]

20...Qg5+ 21.f4 Qxf4+ 22.Kb1 Ke8 23.b3 Bd5

[23...Nf8 24.Bxf8 Qxf8 25.Qxg6+ *(25.bxc4 Qf7 26.Qxf7+ Kxf7 27.Rh7+ Kg8 28.Rexe7 Re8 29.Reg7+ Kf8 30.Rxg6 Re5 31.Ne6+ Rxe6 32.Rxe6 Kg8 33.Reh6 Rc8 34.Rh8+ Kg7 35.Rxc8 Kxh6 36.Rc6 Kg5 37.Rxd6 b3 38.axb3 Kf4 39.c5 Ke5 40.Rd3 a5 41.c6 a4 42.bxa4 Ke4 43.c7 Kf5 44.c8Q+ Kf6 45.Qc5 Kf7 46.Rd6 Ke7 47.Qc7+ Ke8 48.Rd8#* 1-0 (48) Proteussf Turbo (2952)-Admete (2328) Rapid 2023*)* 25...Bf7 26.Qxd6 Ra7

A) 27.Nc6 Rd7 28.Rh8 Rxc6 29.Rxe7+ Rxe7 30.Qxc6+ Rd7 31.Qe4+ Re7 32.Qa8+ Kd7 33.Rxf8 Re1+ *(33...Kd6 34.Qxa6+ Ke5 35.Qc6 Kf5 36.Qd6 Ra7 37.Qc5+ Ke6 38.Qxa7 Bh5 39.Qa6+ Ke5 40.Rf6 Bg4 41.Qd6+ Ke4 42.Qf4+ Kd5 43.Rd6+ Kc5 44.Qe5#* 1-0 (44) Wandathewise (2906)-Admete (2417) Blitz 2024*)* 34.Kb2 Rf1 35.Qd8+ Ke6 36.Qb6+ Ke5 37.Qc7+ Ke6 38.Qc4+ Ke7 39.Qxb4+ Kf6 40.Ra8 Kf5 41.Rxa6 Kg5 42.Qe7+ Kg4 43.Qe2+ Kg3 44.Qxf1 Bh5 45.Rf6 Kh2 46.Qf2 Kh1 47.Rh6 Kh2 48.Rxh5# 1-0 (48) Proteussf Open (2930)-Admete (2347) Rapid 2023;

B) 27.Qe5 Bg8 28.Rh8 *(28.Ref1 Qxf1+ 29.Rxf1 Rb7 30.Ne6 Rb5 31.Nc7+ Rxc7 32.Qxc7 Rd5 33.Qc6+ Rd7 34.Qg6+ Kd8 35.Qxg8+ Kc7 36.Qe6 Rd6 37.Qxe7+ Kc6 38.Rf4 Rd1+ 39.Kb2 Rb1+ 40.Kxb1 Kd5 41.Rf5+ Kc6 42.Rc5+ Kb6 43.Qc7#* 1-0 (43) Proteussf Open (3031)-Admete (2339) Rapid 2023*)* 28...Rac7 29.Ne6 Qf7 30.Rd1 Rc5 31.Nxc5 Qg6 32.Rd7 Qxc2+ 33.Kxc2 Rxc5+ 34.Qxc5 Kxd7 35.Rxg8 a5 36.Qb6 e6 37.Rg7+ Ke8 38.Qb8# 1-0 (38) Proteussf Turbo (3074)-Admete (2421) Rapid 2023]

24.Rhf1 Qxf1 25.Rxf1 Kd8 26.Re1 Rab8 27.Bf8 Kc7 28.Rxe7 Rd8 29.Bh6 Bc6 30.Qxg6 Bd5 31.Bf4 Rb6

32.Qf5 Bg8 33.Qc5+ Kb7 34.Bxd6 Rxd6 35.Qxd6 Bc4 36.Rxd7+
[36.bxc4 b3 37.axb3 Ka8 38.Rxd7 Rxd7 39.Qxd7 a5 40.Nc6 a4 41.Qa7# 1-0 (41) Proteussfx Ai (3179)-Admete (2478) Rapid 2024]
[36.Nc6 Bb5 37.Nxd8+ Kc8 38.Ne6 Kb7 39.Qc7+ Ka8 40.Re8+ Nb8 41.Qxb8# 1-0 (41) Caissa Ai (2969)-Admete (2416) Rapid 2023]
36...Rxd7 37.Qxd7+ Kb6 38.Qc6+ Ka7 39.Qc7+ Ka8 40.Nc6 Bd5 41.Qa7# 1-0 (41) Proteussfx Ai (3210)-Admete (2472) Rapid 2024

125 **9.0-0-0** 'Collins,Sam: 'I covered this line in the Archives, with Black aiming for Dragon-type play (G. Jones - E.Inarkiev, European Championship 2018 (1-0 in 36)) and Najdorf-type play (A.Giri - A. Salem, World Rapid Championship 2018 (1-0 in 39)). Here Wei Yi goes for a Scheveningen setup."I covered this line in the Archives, with Black aiming for Dragon-type play (G.Jones - E.Inarkiev, European Championship 2018 (1-0 in 36)) and Najdorf-type play (A.Giri - A.Salem, World Rapid Championship 2018 (1-0 in 39)). Here Wei Yi goes for a Scheveningen setup. Perunovic, Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'I covered this line in the Archives, with Black aiming for Dragon-type play (G. Jones - E.Inarkiev, European Championship 2018 (1-0 in 36)) and Najdorf-type play (A.Giri - A. Salem, World Rapid Championship 2018 (1-0 in 39)). Here Wei Yi goes for a Scheveningen setup.'" ' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A few years back when Magnus himself played the Dragon as Black 9.♗c4 was the line he was most tested in, but Leko did play this move agianst him in their match at Miskolic 2008.' 9...d5

[9...Bd7
A) 10.h4
A1) 10...Rc8
A1a) 11.h5
A1a1) 11...Nxh5 12.g4 Ng3 13.Rh2 *(13.Rh3 Nxf1 14.Rxf1 Ne5 15.Bh6 Nc4 16.Qh2 Bxd4 17.Bxf8 Qb6 18.b3 Bxc3 19.Rxh7 Qe3+ 20.Kb1 Na3#* 0-1 (20) Kelevra317 (2818)-Mikasinski (2670) Blitz 2021 *)* 13...Nxf1 14.Rxf1 Ne5 15.Bh6 Nc4 16.Qd3 Qb6 17.Nb3 Nxb2 18.Kxb2 Rxc3 19.Qxc3 Bxc3+ 20.Kxc3 Rc8+ 21.Kb2 a5 22.a4 Bxa4 23.Rfh1 Rxc2+ 24.Kxc2 Qxb3+ 25.Kd2 Qb2+ 26.Ke3 Qc3+ 27.Kf2 Bc6 28.Be3 a4 29.Rxh7 a3 30.e5 Qb2+ 31.Kg3 Qxe5+ 32.Bf4 Qc3 Normal 0-1 (32) Zkid (2845)-Excavator24 (2605) Blitz 2024;
A1a2) 11...Ne5 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.Bh6 Qa5 *(13...Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qa5 16.Kd2 Rc8 17.Ne2 Bb5 18.Ke1 Qxa2 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.Qd2 Qa5 21.c4 Qa4 22.c3 Nxc4 23.Bxc4+ Qxc4 24.Kf2 b5 25.Rc1 a5 26.Ne2 a4 27.Qd4 Qf7 28.Kg1 h5 29.Kh2 Qc4 30.Rhe1 Kf7 31.Kg1 g5 32.e5 dxe5*

33.Qxe5 Rc5 34.Qe3 e6 35.Nd4 Qd5 36.Rcd1 Qc4 37.Rc1 a3 38.f4 Ng4 39.Qf3 Kg6 40.Qe4+ Kf6 41.fxg5+ Rxg5 42.Rf1+ Kg7 43.Qf4 Kg6 44.Qf7+ Kh6 45.Qxd7 Qa2 46.Qxe6+ 1-0 (46) Kelevra317 (2817)-Cemilchess (2635) Blitz 2019*)* 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Kb1 Rc5 16.Nb3 Qc7 17.Nxc5 Qxc5 18.Qh6+ Kg8 19.Nd5 Rf7 20.b3 Be6 21.c4 Bxd5 22.exd5 b5 23.Qc1 bxc4 24.Bxc4 Rf8 25.Rhe1 Rb8 26.Ka1 Kg7 27.f4 Nxc4 28.Rxe7+ Kf8 29.Re6 Ne3 30.Qxc5 dxc5 31.Rxf6+ Kg7 32.Rd3 Nc2+ 33.Kb2 Nb4 34.Rxg6+ hxg6 35.Rd2 Rd8 36.d6 Kf6 37.a3 Nc6 38.Rd5 Ke6 39.Rxc5 Rxd6 40.Rg5 Kf6 41.b4 Nd4 42.Ra5 a6 43.g4 Ne6 44.f5 gxf5 45.gxf5 Nd4 46.a4 Rb6 47.b5 axb5 48.axb5 Nxb5 49.Kc2 Nd4+ 50.Kd3 Nxf5 51.Ke4 Re6+ 52.Kf4 Ne7 53.Rb5 Ng6+ 54.Kg4 Re4+ 55.Kf3 Rc4 56.Rb6+ Kf5 57.Rb5+ Ne5+ 58.Ke3 Rc3+ 59.Kd4 Rd3+ 60.Kc5 Rd8 61.Rb7 Ke4 62.Rb4+ Kf5 63.Rh4 Rd1 64.Rh5+ Kf6 65.Rh6+ Kg5 66.Rh8 Kf5 67.Rf8+ Ke4 68.Re8 Rc1+ 69.Kb4 Kd5 70.Rd8+ Ke4 71.Re8 Rc7 72.Kb5 Kd5 73.Rd8+ Ke6 74.Re8+ Kd6 75.Rh8 Rc1 76.Rd8+ Nd7 77.Kb4 Rb1+ 78.Kc3 Kc6 79.Rc8+ Kd5 80.Rg8 Rc1+ 81.Kd2 Rc6 82.Rg5+ Kd4 83.Rg4+ Ke5 84.Rg5+ Kf6 85.Rb5 Ne5 86.Ke3 Rd6 87.Ke4 Nf7 88.Rf5+ Ke6 89.Rh5 Ra6 90.Ke3 Ra4 91.Rb5 Ra3+ 92.Kd2 Ra6 93.Rb4 Nd6 94.Rb3 Kd5 95.Rd3+ Ke5 96.Rc3 Ne4+ 97.Kd3 Nxc3 98.Kxc3 Rd6 99.Kb4 Rd4+ 100.Kc5 Rd6 101.Kc4 Rd5 102.Kc3 Ke4 103.Kc4 Ke5 104.Kc3 Rd4 105.Kb3 Kd5 106.Kc3 Kc5 107.Kc2 Kc4 108.Kb2 Rd2+ 109.Kc1 Kc3 110.Kb1 Re2 111.Kc1 Re1# 0-1 (111) The Old Pacifist (2860)-samidescalona2002 (2653) Blitz 2022;

A1b) 11.Kb1 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 b5 13.h5 e5 14.Be3 b4 15.Ne2 d5 16.exd5 Bf5 17.Rc1 Qxd5 18.Ng3 Be6 19.Qxd5 Nxd5 20.Bd2 Nc3+ 21.bxc3 bxc3 22.Bxc3 Rb8+ 23.Ka1 Rfc8 24.Bb2 Rc5 25.h6 Ra5 26.a3 Bh8 27.Ne4 f5 28.Ng5 e4 29.c3 Bd5 30.fxe4 fxe4 31.Be2 Rb3 32.Rhd1 Raxa3+ 33.Bxa3 Rxa3+ 34.Kb1 Rb3+ 35.Kc2 Rxc3+ 36.Kd2 Rg3 37.Ke1 Rxg5 38.Rxd5 Rxd5 39.Bc4 1-0 (39) Benefactorr (2809)-Leopslr (2602) Blitz 2021;

A1c) 11.Nxc6 Rxc6 12.Bd4 Qa5 13.Kb1 Rfc8 14.Bb5 Rxc3 15.Bxd7 Nxd7 16.bxc3 Ne5 17.Ka1 Rc6 18.c4 Qa4

19.Qe3 Rxc4 20.c3 b5 21.f4 Ng4 22.Qf3 h5 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Rd3 Rxe4 25.Rhd1 Rxf4 26.Qg3 Ne5 27.Rd4 Rxd4 28.Rxd4 Qc2 29.Qe1 Qxg2 30.Qd2 Qf1+ 31.Qd1 Qf2 32.Rd2 Qxh4 33.Qc1 Qf6 34.Rd4 h4 35.Rf4 Qg5 36.Qf1 f5 37.Rf2 Qg3 38.Kb2 h3 39.Qe2 Nc4+ 40.Kb3 e5 41.Rf3 Qg2 42.Rf2 Qd5 43.Qf3 Qxf3 44.Rxf3 f4 45.Kc2 Ne3+ 46.Kd3 h2 47.Rh3 Ng4 48.Rxh2 Nxh2 49.Ke4 f3 50.Kd5 f2 0-1 (50) Mrbochwalt (2924)-Durarbayli (2838) Blitz 2021;

A2) 10...h5

A2a) 11.g4 hxg4 12.h5 Nxh5

A2a1) 13.Nf5 Re8 *(13...Bxf5 14.exf5 Ng3 15.fxg6 Nxh1 16.Qh2 fxg6 17.Bc4+ Rf7 18.Rxh1 e6 19.Bxe6 Qf6 20.Bxf7+ Kxf7 21.fxg4 Qf3 22.Re1 Re8 23.Qg1 Kg8 24.Bd2 Rxe1+ 25.Bxe1 Nd4 26.Bf2 Ne2+ 27.Nxe2 Qxe2 28.Bxa7 Qe5 29.c3 Qd5 30.Bd4 Qxa2 31.Qe3 Bxd4 32.Qxd4 Qe6 33.Qb4 Qd5 34.c4 Qg5+ 35.Kb1 Qxg4 36.Qxb7 Qxc4 37.Qb8+ Kf7 38.Qxd6 g5 39.b4 g4 40.Kb2 Qe2+ 41.Kb3 Qe6+ 42.Qxe6+ Kxe6 43.Kc4 g3 44.b5 g2 45.b6 g1Q 46.b7 Qb6 47.b8Q Qxb8 48.Kd3 Qf4 49.Kc3 Kd5 50.Kc2 Qe3 51.Kb2 Kc4 52.Kb1 Qf2 53.Ka1 Kb3 54.Kb1 Qf1#* 0-1 (54) Ilqar (2875)-Powerking2000 (2815) Blitz 2025 *)* 14.fxg4 Nf6 15.Nxg7 Kxg7 16.Bh6+ Kg8 17.Be2 Bxg4 18.Rdg1 Ne5 19.Bf4 Nf3 20.Qd1 Nxg1 21.Bxg4 b5 22.Qxg1 Kg7 23.Bh6+ Kg8 24.Nd5 e6 25.Bg5 exd5 26.Qh2 1-0 (26) Ilqar (2877)-Marckevinlabog (2725) Blitz 2025;

A2a2) 13.fxg4 Bxg4 14.Be2 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Qa5 16.Nf5 e6 17.Nxg7 Kxg7 18.Rdg1 Rh8 19.Qd2 Rad8 20.Rg5 Ne5 21.Qg2 Nf6 22.Rf1 Rh5 23.Rxf6 Kxf6 24.Rxh5 Nd3+ 25.cxd3 Qxh5 26.e5+ Qxe5 27.Ne4+ Kg7 28.Qf2 Rc8+ 29.Kb1 Qf5 30.Bd4+ e5 31.Qxf5 gxf5 32.Nxd6 Rd8 33.Bxe5+ f6 34.Bf4 Kg6 35.Kc2 Rh8 36.Kd2 Rh4 37.Ke3 Rh3+ 38.Ke2 b6 39.Nc4 Rh4 40.Kf3 Rh3+ 41.Bg3 Kg5 42.Kg2 Rh8 43.Nd2 f4 44.Nf3+ Kg4 45.Bf2 Rc8 46.Nd4 Rc1 47.b3 Ra1 48.a4 Ra2 49.Nf3 Rb2 50.Nd4 Rd2 51.Nf3 Rxd3 52.Nh2+ Kf5 53.b4 Ke4 54.Ng4 f3+ 55.Kg3 f5 56.Nf6+ Ke5 57.Nh5 Rd2 58.Bxb6 1-0 (58) Yarebore (2831)-Hungzhao (2694) Blitz 2021;

A2a3) 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Bh6 Qa5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Be2 Qe5 17.fxg4 Nf4 18.Rdf1 g5 19.Bd1 Rh8

20.Ne2 Rab8 21.c3 Rxh1 22.Rxh1 Rh8 23.Rxh8 Kxh8 24.Ng3 e6 25.Qd4 Qxd4 26.cxd4 c5 27.dxc5 dxc5 28.Kd2 Kg7 29.e5 Bc6 30.Ke3 Ng6 31.Ne4 Bxe4 32.Kxe4 Kf8 33.Ba4 Ke7 34.Bb5 a5 35.Be2 Nf4 36.Bd1 Nd5 37.Be2 Nb6 38.Bb5 f6 39.exf6+ Kxf6 40.b3 Nc8 41.Be2 Nd6+ 42.Kd3 Ke5 43.Ke3 Ne8 44.Kd3 Nd6 45.Ke3 Nc8 46.Kd3 Nb6 47.Ke3 Nd5+ 48.Kd2 Kd4 49.Bc4 Nf4 50.Bf1 e5 51.Bb5 e4 52.Bf1 e3+ 53.Ke1 Nd3+ 54.Kd1 Nb4 55.a3 Nc6 56.Bg2 Ne5 57.Ke2 Nxg4 58.Bc6 Ne5 59.Bb5 Ng6 60.Ba6 Nf4+ 0-1 (60) Avonswfins0034 (2823)-Wuzhaobing (2622) Blitz 2024;

A2a4) 13.Be2 Qa5 14.Nb3 Qe5 15.f4 Qe6 16.Rdg1 Nf6 17.Bd3 Rfc8 18.f5 Qe5 19.Bf4 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Qf6 21.Bg5 Qe5 22.Bf4 Qf6 23.fxg6 Nb4 24.gxf7+ Kxf7 25.Rf1 Nxa2+ 26.Nxa2 Qxb2+ 27.Kd1 Qxa2 28.Be5+ Ke8 29.Bxg7 Be6 30.Qb4 1-0 (30) Yarebore (2879)-Hungzhao (2731) Blitz 2021;

A2b) 11.Kb1 Rc8 12.Nxc6 *(12.Bh6 Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Ne5 14.g4 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qb6+ 16.Kc1 Qc5 17.Qd2 hxg4 18.h5 gxf3 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Nb3 Qa3+ 21.Kb1 Be6 22.Bd3 Rc8 23.Qc1 Qxc1+ 24.Kxc1 Rxc3 25.Kd2 Rc8 26.Nd4 Bg4 27.Rdf1 b6 28.Ke3 g5 29.a4 Kg7 30.a5 bxa5 31.Rb1 Rc7 32.Rb8 Bh5 33.Ne6+ Kg6 34.Nxc7 g4 35.Kf4 Kf7 36.Nd5 Ng6+ 37.Kg3* 1-0 (37) Yarebore (2838)-Hungzhao (2686) Blitz 2021*; 12.Nb3 Ne5 13.Bh6 Kh7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Bf5 17.Nd4 Qd7 18.Qf4 Rc5 19.Rd2 Rfc8 20.Be2 e6 21.dxe6 fxe6 22.g4 Nc4 23.Bxc4 Bxc2+ 24.Rxc2 Rxc4 25.Rxc4 Rxc4 26.Nf5+* 1-0 (26) Ice2Breaker (2822)-Ssultanovv (2633) Blitz 2021*)*
12...bxc6 *(12...Rxc6 13.Bd4 Be6 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Rc8 16.g4 Rc5 17.c4 Qc8 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Bd3 hxg4 20.h5 g5 21.f4 b5 22.fxg5 Be5 23.g6 Kg7 24.h6+ Kg8 25.g7 Rd8 26.Qg5* 1-0 (26) Kelevra317 (2878)-Hungzhao (2714) Blitz 2021*)*
13.Bc4 *(13.Bh6 Rb8 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Bc4 Qa5 16.Bb3 Be6 17.Rhe1 c5 18.e5 dxe5 19.Rxe5 Rfd8 20.Qe1 Rxd1+ 21.Nxd1 Qxe1 22.Rxe1 c4 23.Ba4 Rb4 24.Nc3 Nd5 25.Nxd5 Bxd5 26.b3 cxb3 27.Bxb3 Bxb3 28.axb3 Kf6 29.g3 a5 30.Kb2 a4 31.Re4 Rxe4 32.fxe4 axb3 33.Kxb3 Ke5 34.Kb4 Kxe4 35.c4 Ke5 36.Kb5 Kd6 37.Kb6 Kd7 38.Kb7 Kd6 39.Kb6 Kd7 40.Kb7 Kd6 41.Kb6*

½-½ (41) Invisibleguest2023 (2823)-Wuzhaobing (2715) Blitz 2024) 13...Qc7 14.Bb3 Rfd8 15.g4 hxg4 16.h5 Nxh5 17.Bh6 Bf6 18.Rdg1 g3 19.Rxh5 gxh5 20.Rxg3+ Kh7 21.Bg7 d5 22.Qh6+ 1-0 (22) Aspiringstar (2941)-Wuzhaobing (2710) Blitz 2022;

B) 10.Kb1

B1) 10...Rb8 11.h4 *(11.g4 Na5 12.h4 b5 13.h5 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Ka1 Qa5 16.Rb1 Rb6 17.Bh6 Rfb8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.a3 Ra6 21.Nde2 g5 22.Ng3 Be6 23.Nf5+ Bxf5 24.gxf5 h6 25.Qh2 Ng8 26.Qg1 Kf8 27.Qd4 Rb4 28.Na2 Ra4 29.c3 Rb6 30.f4 g4 31.e5 Rb3 32.f6 Qb6 33.fxe7+ Kxe7 34.exd6+ Qxd6 35.Qg7+ Kd8 36.Rhd1* 1-0 (36) Ernst Gruenfeld (2845)-Dhonimessi (2638) Blitz 2022) 11...h5 12.Bh6 *(12.g4 hxg4 13.h5 Nxh5 14.Nf5 Bxf5 15.exf5 Ng3 16.fxg6 Nxh1 17.Bc4 e6 18.Qh2 fxg6 19.Bxe6+ Rf7 20.Ne4 g3 21.Qxh1 Qe7 22.Ng5 Kf8 23.Qh7 Qf6 24.Bc1 Nd8 25.Re1 g2 26.Qh3 Qe7 27.Qxg2 Nxe6 28.Rxe6 Qc7 29.Nxf7 Qxf7 30.Rxg6 Re8 31.Rxd6 Qf5 32.f4 Qe4 33.Qg4 Re7 34.a3 Rc7 35.Qd1 Kf7 36.Qh5+ Ke7 37.Rd2 Qc6 38.Qh7 Ke8 39.f5 Qc4 40.Qh5+ Qf7 41.Qh2 Bf6 42.Rd1 Qg7 43.Qe2+ Re7 44.Qc4 Rc7 45.Qa4+ Kf7 46.Qe4 Be7 47.Qe6+ Ke8 48.Bf4 Rc6 49.Qd7+ Kf8 50.Qxb7 Rb6 51.Qa8+ Kf7 52.Qd5+ Kf8 53.Be5 Qg5 54.Re1 Qg8 55.Qd7 Qg5 56.Qxa7 Qh6 57.Bg7+ Qxg7 58.Qxb6 Qg5 59.Qc7 Qg7 60.Qxe7+ Qxe7 61.Rxe7 Kxe7 62.b3 Kd6 63.c3 Ke5 64.a4 Kxf5 65.a5 Ke5 66.a6 Kf5 67.b4 Kf6 68.b5 Kg5 69.b6 Kg6 70.a7 Kf7 71.a8Q Kf6 72.b7 Kg7 73.b8Q Kf6 74.Qg2 Kf7 75.Qe5 Kf8 76.Qgg7#* 1-0 (76) Nikitosik Ai (2837)-Aks Mantissa (2614) Rapid 2023) 12...Nxd4 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Qxd4 b5 15.Nd5 e5 16.Qd2 Be6 17.g4 hxg4 18.h5 Nxh5 19.Be2 g3 20.f4 Bxd5 21.Bxh5 Bxe4 22.Rh3 gxh5 23.Rxg3+ Kh7 24.Qe2 Bg6 25.f5 Qh4 26.Qg2 Bxf5 27.Rh1 Qxh1+ 28.Qxh1 Bg6 29.Kc1 e4 30.Rg5 Rbe8 31.Rxh5+ Kg7 32.Rh2 e3 33.Re2 f5 34.Qb7+ Rf7 35.Qxb5 Re5 36.Qb4 f4 37.Qxd6 Re4 38.Rg2 Rf6 39.Qd7+ Rf7 40.Rxg6+ Kxg6 41.Qc6+ Kf5 42.Qd5+ Re5 43.Qxf7+ Ke4 44.Kd1 f3 45.Ke1 f2+ 46.Ke2 Rf5 47.Qe7+ Kd5 48.Qd7+ Ke5 49.Qe8+ Kf6 50.Kf1 e2+ 51.Qxe2 Kg6 52.Qg4+ Kf6 53.Qxf5+ Kxf5 54.Kxf2 Ke5 55.Ke2 Kd6 56.Kd2 Kc5 57.c4 Kc6 58.Kc3 Kc7 59.b4 Kc8 60.a4 Kc7 61.Kd4 Kb7 62.b5 Kc7 63.c5 Kb7 64.a5 a6 65.Kc4 1-0 (65) Mikegscarn (2860)-Burgerswave (2645) Blitz 2021;

B2) 10...Qa5 11.Nb3 Qc7

12.h4 h5 13.Bg5 *(13.g4 hxg4 14.h5 Nxh5 15.Be2 Ng3 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Bh6 Bh8 18.Bc4 Ne5 19.Bg5 Nxc4 20.Nxe7+ Qxe7 21.Qh2 Nh5 22.Bxe7 Be5 23.Qg1 Rfe8 24.fxg4 Nf4 25.Bg5 Ne6 26.Bc1 Rac8 27.Qf2 Bc6 28.Rde1 Bg7 29.Qh4 Ne5 30.Rh3 Kf8 31.Bd2 b6 32.Bb4 Rcd8 33.Bc3 b5 34.a3 Ba8 35.g5 Rc8 36.Bb4 Red8 37.Rd1 Rc6 38.Rc3 Nc4 39.Na5 Nxa5 40.Bxa5 Rd7 41.Rxc6 Bxc6 42.Rd3 Ke7 43.b3 Bb7 44.Bc3 Bxc3 45.Rxc3 a6 46.Re3 Bc6 47.e5 dxe5 48.Rxe5 Kd8 49.Qh8+ Kc7 50.Rxe6 Rd1+ 51.Kb2 fxe6 52.Qh7+ Kd6 53.Qxg6 Rd2 54.Qf6 Rg2 55.g6 Be4 56.Qd4+ Bd5 57.g7 e5 58.Qb6+ Ke7 59.Qc5+ Ke6 60.Qf8 Kd7 61.Qf5+ Be6 62.Qxe5 Ke7 63.Qc7+ Kf6 64.Qc3+ Ke7 65.Qc7+ Kf6 66.Qc3+ Ke7 67.Qc5+ Kf6 68.Qd4+ Ke7 69.Qa7+ Kf6 70.Qxa6 Rxg7 71.Qxb5 Rg6 72.a4 Rg5 73.Qb8 Rg2 74.Qd6 Rg7 75.a5 Rd7 76.Qf4+ Ke7 77.a6 Bd5 78.Qe5+ Kf7 79.a7 Bc6 80.Qf5+ Ke7 81.Qc5+ Rd6 82.Qxc6 Rxc6 83.a8Q Rc5 84.c3 Kd6 85.b4 Rf5 86.c4 Kd7 87.b5 Rf6 88.c5 Rg6 89.b6 Rg1 90.c6+ Kd6 91.c7 Rc1 92.Kxc1 Kc5 93.Qf8+ Kxb6 94.c8Q Kb5 95.Qcc5+ Ka6 96.Qa8# 1-0 (96) Raspfish (2860)-Aks Mantissa (2612) Rapid 2023)* 13...Be6 14.f4 a5 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 a4 17.Nc1 a3 18.b3 Ne4 0-1 (18) Kelevra317 (2912)-Multibrendovyi (2845) Blitz 2022;

C) 10.g4

C1) 10...Rb8 11.h4 b5 *(11...Na5 12.h5 b5 13.Bh6 b4 14.Nd5 e5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qh6+ Kf7 18.Nb3 Nxb3+ 19.axb3 Rh8 20.Bc4 Nxd5 21.Rxd5 Be6 22.Rhd1 Bxd5 23.Bxd5+ Ke8 24.Qg7 Rf8 25.Bc6+* 1-0 (25) Exhausted10 (2852)-Dhonimessi (2669) Blitz 2022*)* 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.Kb1 h5 14.Bh6 hxg4 15.h5 Kh7 16.hxg6+ fxg6 17.e5 Nh5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rxh5 gxh5 20.Qg5+ Kf7 21.Qxh5+ Ke6 22.Qxg4+ Kf7 23.Qh5+ Kg7 24.Bd3 1-0 (24) Vistagausta (2922)-Dhonimessi (2678) Blitz 2022;

C2) 10...h5 11.gxh5 Nxh5 12.Nxc6 *(12.Bc4 Rc8 13.Bb3 Ne5 14.Bh6 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Rhg1 Qa5 18.Rg5 Rc5 19.Nb3 Rxg5 20.Nxa5 Rxa5 21.Nd5 Rc5 22.Nxe7 Be6 23.Qxd6 Ra5 24.Qd4+ Kh7 25.a3 Re8 26.Qb4 Rg5 27.Qxb7 Rg2 28.Nd5 Rc8 29.c3 Rxh2 30.f4 Bg4 31.Qxf7+* 1-0 (31) Durarbayli (2812)-Ajedrezlapalma (2609) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...bxc6 13.Bc4 Rb8 14.Rhg1 Kh7 15.f4 Qa5 16.Bb3 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Nf6 18.Qg2 d5 19.f5 Rg8 20.Qh3+ Nh5 21.fxg6+ fxg6 22.Qxd7 Qxc3 23.Bd4 1-0 (23) Bettercollsoul (2902)-Big Kittttty,A (2489) Blitz

2024;
C3) 10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 b5 12.h4 b4 13.Nd5 e5 14.Be3 Nxd5 15.exd5 f5 16.h5 f4 17.Bg1 Qf6 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.g5 Qxg5 20.Bd3 Qf6 21.Be4 Bf5 22.Qxb4 Rab8 23.Qa4 Bxe4 24.Qxe4 Qf5 25.Re1 Qxe4 26.Rxe4 Rb7 27.b4 Kf7 28.Kb2 Rb5 29.Bxa7 Rxd5 30.a4 Ra8 31.Bb6 Rxa4 32.Ba5 Rdxa5 33.bxa5 Rxa5 34.Rb4 e4+ 35.Kb3 exf3 36.Rxf4+ Rf5 37.Rxf5+ gxf5 38.Rf1 Ke6 39.Kc4 f4 40.Rxf3 Be5 41.Kd3 Kf5 42.Rh3 Ke6 43.Rh5 Kd5 44.Rg5 Kc5 45.Ke4 Kc4 46.Rg8 Kc3 47.Rc8+ Kd2 48.c4 Ke2 49.c5 f3 50.c6 f2 51.Rf8 Bh2 52.Kd5 Ke3 53.Rxf2 Bf4 54.Rxf4 1-0 (54) Vistagausta (2818)-Neseacar (2553) Blitz 2020;
C4) 10...Rc8
C4a) 11.h4
C4a1) 11...Ne5
C4a11) 12.Be2
C4a111) 12...b5 13.h5 b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Qc7 *(15...Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.b3 Rc3 18.Bh6 Be5 19.f4 Bf6 20.g5 Bh8 21.Bxf8 Qxf8 22.Qh2 Qg7 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Qh6 Qf7 25.Ne6 a5 26.f5 Bxe6 27.dxe6 Qg7 28.Qxg7+ Bxg7 29.f6 Bf8 30.f7+ Kg7 31.Rd3 Rc5 32.Rdh3 Rxg5 33.Rxh7+ Kf6 34.Rh8 Bg7 35.f8Q+ Bxf8 36.Rxf8+ Kxe6 37.Re1+ Kd7 38.Rf7* 1-0 (38) Vistagausta (2857)-Wuzhaobing (2690) Blitz 2023; *15...Qa5 16.Kb1 Qxd5 17.Nf5 Qxd2 18.Nxe7+ Kh8 19.Bxd2 Rce8 20.Nd5 Nxg4 21.fxg4 Rxe2 22.Bxb4 Bxg4 23.Bxd6 Rd8 24.Bc7 Rc8 25.h6 Be5 26.Bxe5+ Rxe5 27.Rd3 Bf5 28.Rd2 Be4 29.Rhd1 Bf3 30.b4 Bxd1 31.Rxd1 Re4 32.a3 Rd8 33.Kc1 g5 34.a4 Re6 35.b5 Rxh6 36.a5 Re6 37.b6 axb6 38.axb6 g4 39.Kb2 Rxd5 40.Rxd5 Rxb6+ 41.Kc1 Rg6* 0 - 1 (4 1) Dalmatinac101 (2829)-Ucanthandledenker (2675) Blitz 2021*)* 16.Bh6 Bf6 17.Bxf8 Kxf8 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Kb1 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Qxc4 21.g5 Bg7 22.Rh4 Qxd5 23.Rdh1 Rc4 24.Nb3 Qxd2 25.Nxd2 Rxh4 26.Rxh4 a5 27.Nc4 f6 28.gxf6 Bxf6 29.Rh1 a4 30.Nb6 Bc6 31.Rf1 a3 32.bxa3 bxa3 33.c4 Bd4 34.Nd5 Kf7 35.Kc2 e6 36.Nb4 Ba4+ 37.Kd3 Bc5 38.Nc2

Kf6 39.Nd4 g5 40.Rh1 Be8 41.Rh6+ Bg6+ 42.Kc3 e5 43.Nb3 Be3 44.Rh8 Bf2 45.Ra8 Be1+ 46.Nd2 g4 47.fxg4 e4 48.g5+ Kxg5 49.Rxa3 e3 50.Ra5+ Bf5 51.Rd5 exd2 52.Rxd2 Bxd2+ 53.Kxd2 Kf4 54.Kc3 Be6 55.Kd4 Kf5 56.a4 Kf6 57.a5 1-0 (57) Vistagausta (2876)-Hungzhao (2718) Blitz 2021;

C4a112) 12...Qa5 13.Kb1 Nc4 *(13...Rxc3 14.Qxc3 Qxc3 15.bxc3 Rc8 16.Kb2 Be8 17.h5 Nfd7 18.h6 Bh8 19.Bg5 Kf8 20.Rh3 Nb6 21.f4 Na4+ 22.Kc1 Nd7 23.Kd2 Ndc5 24.Re3 Nxc3 25.Kxc3 Ne6+ 26.Kd2 Bxd4 27.Rb3 f6 28.Bh4 Nxf4 29.Bd3 b6 30.Ra3 a5 31.Rb1 g5 32.Bg3 Ng6 33.Bh2 Bd7 34.Bg1 Bc5 35.Bxc5 bxc5 36.Rxa5 Bxg4 37.Rab5 c4 38.Rb8 cxd3 39.Rxc8+ Bxc8 40.Rb8 Kf7 41.Rxc8 dxc2 42.Kxc2 g4 43.a4 Ne5 44.Kd2 Nd7 45.a5 Nc5 46.Rxc5 dxc5 47.a6 g3 48.Ke2 c4 49.a7 g2 50.Kf2 c3 51.a8Q c2 52.Qc6* 1-0 (52) Mr Baronmunchausen (2856)-Wuzhaobing (2667) Blitz 2024*)* 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Nb3 Qc7 16.h5 *(16.g5 Nh5 17.Nd5 Qd8 18.Bxa7 Be6 19.Bb6 Qd7 20.Ne3 Ra4 21.Nc5 Rxa2 22.Nxd7 Rfa8 23.c4 Bxd7 24.Qb4 Nf4 25.Rc1 Nd3 26.Qb3 Rxb2+ 27.Qxb2 Nxb2 28.Nd5 Na4 29.Nxe7+ Kf8 30.Be3 Kxe7 31.Kc2 Nc5 32.Bxc5 dxc5 33.Kd3 Ra3+ 34.Kd2 Bd4 35.Rc2 Ba4 36.Ke2 Bxc2 37.f4 Bd3+ 38.Kf3 Bxe4+ 39.Kxe4 Ke6 40.Re1 Re3+ 41.Rxe3 Bxe3 42.Kxe3 Kf5 43.Kf3 f6 44.gxf6 Kxf6 45.Ke4 Ke6 46.h5 gxh5 47.f5+ Kf6 48.Kf4 h4 49.Kg4 h3 50.Kf4 h2 51.Ke4 h1Q+ 52.Ke3 Qc6 53.Kd2 Qd6+ 54.Kc3 Qd7 55.Kb3 Qxf5 56.Ka4 Qe5 57.Kb3 Qd4 58.Ka3 Qxc4 59.Kb2 h5 60.Ka1 h4 61.Kb1 h3 62.Ka1 h2 63.Kb1 Qe2 64.Ka1 h1Q#* 0-1 (64) Uralan77 (2898)-Rolly9891 (2679) Blitz 2023*)* 16...Be6 17.Bh6 Rc8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Qh6+ Kg8 21.g5 Nh5 22.Rxh5

gxh5 23.Qxe6+ Kh8 24.Nd5 1-0 (24) Vistagausta (2901)-samidescalona2002 (2572) Blitz 2021;

C4a12) 12.h5 Qa5 13.hxg6 fxg6 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Rxh6 Rxc3 16.Qxc3 Qxa2 17.Be2 Rc8 18.Qb3+ Qxb3 19.Nxb3 g5 20.Rhh1 Ng6 21.Nd4 Nf4 22.Bf1 a6 23.c3 Kf7 24.Kd2 Ng6 25.Ke3 Ne5 26.Be2 Rh8 27.Rdf1 Kg7 28.Rfg1 h6 29.Rf1 Ng6 30.Re1 Nf4 31.Bf1 Rc8 32.Rd1 Rc5 33.Kf2 a5 34.Nb3 Re5 35.Nd4 a4 36.Bc4 Rc5 37.Bf1 a3 38.Rd2 b5 39.bxa3 Rxc3 40.Bxb5 Bxg4 41.Rc2 Rxa3 42.fxg4 Nxg4+ 43.Kg1 Ra1+ 44.Bf1 Ne3 45.Nf5+ Nxf5 46.exf5 h5 47.Kf2 Kf6 48.Bg2 Ra5 49.Be4 d5 50.Bf3 g4 51.Be2 Kxf5 52.Rc7 e5 53.Rb1 Ra2 54.Rf7+ Kg6 55.Rxf4 exf4 56.Kf1 f3 57.Bd3+ Kg5 58.Rb5 Kf4 59.Rxd5 Kg3 60.Bb1 Ra1 61.Rb5 h4 62.Ke1 h3 63.Kd2 h2 64.Kc2 h1Q 65.Kb2 Rxb1+ 66.Ka2 Rxb5 67.Ka3 Rb8 68.Ka4 Qa1# 0-1 (68) Silence404 (2905)-Wuzhaobing (2716) Blitz 2024;

C4a2) 11...h5

C4a21) 12.g5 Ne8 *(12...Nh7 13.f4 Bg4 14.Be2 Bxe2 15.Ndxe2 Re8 16.Kb1 Nf8 17.Rhf1 Nd7 18.Nd5 Nc5 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.e5 e6 21.Ndc3 Qb6 22.Ne4 Red8 23.Qe3 Bf8 24.Nf6+ Kg7 25.Ng3 c4 26.Ngxh5+ gxh5 27.Qe4 Ba3 28.b3 Kf8 29.Qh7 Rxd1+ 30.Rxd1 Rd8 31.Qh8+ Ke7 32.Rd7+* 1-0 (32) Avonswfins0034 (2820)-Derdimcokanacan (2819) Blitz 2024*)* 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Bd4 Qa5 15.Kb1 Be6 16.Bh3 Rb8 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.Bxg7 Nxg7 19.f4 Rb6 20.Rhf1 c5 21.Ne2 Qa3 22.b3 c4 23.Rf3 Rfb8 24.Qc3 Ra6 25.Nc1 Qc5 26.Qd4 Qb4 27.Rc3 Rc6 28.Nd3 Qb5 29.Nb2 Qb7 30.Rxc4 Rxc4 31.Nxc4 Qb5 32.Qxa7 Rb7 33.Qd4 Kf7 34.a4 Qb4 35.Kb2 Kf8 36.Ra1 Rb8 37.a5 Qb7 38.a6 Qc8 39.a7 Ra8 40.Nb6 Qb7 41.Nxa8 Qxa8 42.Qb6 Qxe4 43.Qb8+ Kf7 44.a8Q Qd4+ 45.Kb1 Qg1+ 46.Kb2 Qd4+ 47.Ka2 Qc3 48.Qg8# 1-0 (48) Worktim1 (2887)-Idisjuda (2696) Blitz 2024;

C4a22) 12.gxh5 Nxh5 13.Rg1 a6 *(13...Kh7 14.Kb1 Ne5 15.f4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.f5 Qa5*

18.Rg5 Qd8 19.Qe2 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Rh8 21.Rdg1 Be8 22.Rxh5+ gxh5 23.Qxh5+ Kg8 24.Qg4 Rh7 25.Bh6 Qb6+ 26.Kc1 f6 27.Bxg7 Bh5 28.Qg3 Kf7 29.Bxf6 1-0 (29) Nozdrachev,V (2833)-Ssultanovv (2629) Blitz 2021; *13...Qa5 14.Rg5 Ne5 15.Nb3 Qc7 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Be2 Ba4 18.f4 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 20.Rxh5 gxh5 21.Rg1 e6 22.Qg2* 1-0 (22) Buecker,J (2820)-Garcia, A (758) Lechenicher SchachServer 2015*)*
14.Nd5 Ne5 15.Bg5 Re8 16.Kb1 b5 17.c3 a5 18.f4 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 20.f5 b4 21.fxg6 f6 22.Bh6 bxc3 23.Nxc3 Qb6 24.Nb3 a4 25.Nd5 Qxg1 26.Rxg1 axb3 27.Qe2 bxa2+ 28.Ka1 Rc5 29.Qxh5 1-0 (29) Bettercollsoul (2953)-Tigex (2424) Blitz 2024;

C4b) 11.Nxc6 Rxc6 12.Bd4 Qa5 13.Kb1 Rfc8 14.h4 e5 15.Be3 Rxc3 16.bxc3 Bxg4 17.Be2 Rxc3 18.fxg4 Nxe4 19.Qc1 Ra3 20.Bd2 Nxd2+ 21.Qxd2 Qb6+ 22.Kc1 Rxa2 23.Qc3 e4 24.Qc8+ Bf8 25.Qc3 d5 26.Rxd5 Ba3+ 27.Kd1 Bb4 28.Qe5 Ba5 29.Qe8+ Kg7 30.Qe5+ Kg8 31.Bb5 Qf2 32.Qe8+ Kg7 33.Qe5+ Kg8 34.Be2 Qb6 ½-½ (34) Mrbochwalt (2923)-Durarbayli (2818) Rapid 2021;

C4c) 11.Kb1

C4c1) 11...Ne5

C4c11) 12.Be2

C4c111) 12...Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.h4 h5 15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.Rhg1 b5 *(16...Kh7 17.Qd3 Rc8 18.Rg5 Be5 19.Nde2 f6 20.Rg2 Rg8 21.Bc1 f5 22.Nd5 Qf8 23.Qe3 Rc5 24.b3 Be6 25.Nb4 Bg7 26.Nd3 Ra5 27.Rdg1 fxe4 28.fxe4 Bh6 29.Qd4 Bxc1 30.Ndxc1 Qd8 31.Qc3 Rc5 32.Qf3 Qc8 33.Nd4 Bh3 34.Rh2 Be6 35.Nd3 Ra5 36.Qe3 Bd7 37.Rhg2 Nf6 38.Nf3 Qc6 39.Ng5+ Kg7 40.Qe1 b6 41.h5 Rc8 42.h6+ Kh8 43.Qh4 Be8 44.h7 Qc3 45.e5 Rxe5 46.Nxe5 Qxe5 47.Qh6 Nd7 48.Rf1 Qg7 49.Qxg7+ Kxg7 50.Re2 Kh8 51.Rxe7 Rd8 52.Re6 a6 53.Rxd6 a5 54.a4 Ra8 55.Re6 b5 56.axb5 Rc8 57.Re7 Rb8 58.Kc1 a4 59.bxa4 Rc8 60.b6 Rb8 61.b7 Nf6 62.Rxf6 Bb5 63.Ref7 Bf1 64.Rf8+ Rxf8 65.Rxf8+ Kg7 66.h8Q#* 1-0 (66) Mphobot (2816)-Aks

Mantissa (2613) Rapid 2023 *)* 17.b3 Rc8 18.Nde2 a6 19.Bh6 Qa5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Rg5 f6 22.Rgg1 Kf7 23.Rg2 Rg8 24.Rdg1 Rg7 25.Qh6 Rcg8 26.Rxg6 Rxg6 27.Qxh5 e5 28.f4 exf4 29.Rxg6 Rxg6 30.Nxf4 Qxc3 31.Qxg6+ Kf8 32.Qh6+ Ke8 33.Qh8+ Kf7 34.Qh7+ Kf8 35.Nd5 Qe1+ 36.Kb2 b4 37.Qe7+ Kg8 38.Nxf6+ Kh8 39.Qh7# 1-0 (39) Molt7N (2853)-Terminator (2772) Blitz 2022;

C4c112) 12...Qa5 13.g5 Nh5 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.f4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.b3 Rc8 18.Ne2 Bg4 19.Rdf1 e6 20.Nf6+ Nxf6 21.gxf6 Qxf6 22.Bd4 e5 23.fxe5 Qd8 24.e6 Bxe2 25.Rxf7 Bxd4 26.e7 Qb6 27.exf8Q+ Rxf8 28.Rxf8+ Kxf8 29.Qxe2 Be5 30.Rf1+ Kg8 31.Qf2 Qxf2 32.Rxf2 Kg7 33.c4 g5 34.Kc2 g4 35.Kd3 a5 36.Rc2 b6 37.Ke3 h5 38.a3 Kg6 39.b4 axb4 40.axb4 h4 41.Rg2 Kg5 42.h3 Bg3 43.hxg4 Kxg4 44.Rc2 h3 45.c5 dxc5 46.bxc5 bxc5 47.e5 Bxe5 48.Ke4 Bd4 49.Rc1 h2 50.Rb1 Kg3 51.Rb8 h1Q+ 52.Kf5 Qh2 53.Ke6 Kf2 54.Kd7 Ke2 55.Rf8 Kd2 56.Re8 Qe2 57.Kc8 Qxe8+ 58.Kb7 Qd7+ 59.Ka6 Qe6+ 60.Kb5 Qc4+ 61.Kxc4 Kc2 62.Kd5 Kd3 63.Kc6 c4 64.Kd7 ½-½ (64) Secret Mikalsen (2835)-Wuzhaobing (2697) Blitz 2024;

C4c113) 12...b5 13.h4 *(13.Ndxb5 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.Nxa7 Rb8 17.a4 Be6 18.Nc6 Qc7 19.Nxb8 Rxb8 20.Nb5 Qc6 21.Bd4 Qa6 22.Qd3 Nd7 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.h4 Nc5 25.Qc3+ Kg8 26.Rd4 f6 27.h5 g5 28.Rhd1 Bd7 29.Rb4 Bxb5 30.Rxb5 Rc8 31.Qc4+ Kf8 32.Rxc5* 1-0 (32) Molt7N (2853)-Wuzhaobing (2692) Blitz 2021*)* 13...b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Qa5 16.Nb3 Qc7 17.h5 a5 18.Nd4 Rfe8 *(18...a4 19.Bh6 b3 20.cxb3 axb3 21.axb3 Bh8 22.Bxf8 Rxf8 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Ne6 Bxe6 25.dxe6 Bg7 26.f4 Nc6 27.Rc1 Qb6 28.f5*

Nd4 29.Bc4 Nxb3 30.Qh2 h6 31.Rcd1 Ra8 32.f6 Bxf6 33.Qxh6 Ra1+ 34.Kc2 Qf2+ 35.Rd2 Nd4+ 36.Kd3 Qf3+ 37.Qe3 Qxh1 38.g5 Qf1+ 39.Kc3 Rc1+ 0-1 (39) Darcy95 (2817) - Ucanthandledenker (2654) Blitz 2021*)* 19.Bh6 Bf6 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Bg5 Bg7 22.f4 Nxg4 23.Ne6 Bxe6 24.dxe6 Nf2 25.Bd3 Nxd1 26.Qxd1 b3 27.axb3 a4 28.Rxh7 axb3 29.Rh2 Qa7 30.cxb3 Ra8 31.Bc4 Qa1+ 32.Kc2 Qxb2+ 33.Kd3 Qxh2 0-1 (33) Mrdalica (2858)-Bulletcoach (2724) Blitz 2025;

C4c12) 12.g5 Nh5 13.Be2 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Rhe1 a6 16.Nd5 e6 17.Nc3 b5 18.Nde2 b4 19.Qxd6 bxc3 20.Qxd7 Qb8 21.b3 Qxh2 22.Nc1 Rcc8 23.Bd4 Bxd4 24.Qxd4 Qf4 25.Rf1 Qxg5 26.Nd3 Rfd8 27.Qa4 Qb5 28.Qxb5 axb5 29.a3 Ra8 30.Ka2 Ng3 31.Rfe1 Rdc8 32.b4 h5 33.Kb3 h4 34.Nf2 Kg7 35.Rd3 Ra7 36.Ra1 Rac7 37.a4 bxa4+ 38.Rxa4 Ne2 39.b5 Nc1+ 40.Ka3 Nxd3 41.Nxd3 h3 42.Kb3 h2 43.Ra1 Rb7 44.Kb4 Rcb8 45.Rh1 Rxb5+ 46.Kxc3 Rh5 47.Kd4 Rh3 48.Ke3 Rc8 49.Nf4 Rh4 50.Ng2 Rhh8 51.Kd3 Rhd8+ 52.Ke3 Rc3+ 53.Kf4 Rh8 54.Ne3 e5+ 55.Kxe5 Rxe3 56.Kf4 Re2 57.Kg3 Rh5 58.e5 Rexe5 59.c4 Reg5+ 60.Kf2 Rg1 61.Rxg1 hxg1Q+ 62.Kxg1 Rc5 63.Kf2 Rxc4 64.Kg3 f5 65.Kf2 Kf6 66.Kg3 g5 67.Kh3 Kg6 68.Kg3 Kh5 69.Kh3 Rc3 70.Kg3 f4+ 71.Kh3 Rxf3+ 72.Kg2 Rb3 73.Kf2 Kg4 74.Ke2 Kg3 75.Kd2 Kg2 76.Kc2 f3 77.Kd2 f2 78.Kc2 f1Q 79.Kxb3 Qe2 80.Kc3 g4 81.Kd4 g3 82.Kd5 Kf2 83.Kd4 g2 84.Kc5 g1Q 85.Kb4 Qgd1 86.Ka5 Qec2 87.Kb4 Qdb1+ 88.Ka3 Qca2# 0-1 (88) Avonswfins0034 (2833)-Wuzhaobing (2700) Blitz 2024;

C4c13) 12.h4

C4c131) 12...Qa5

C4c1311) 13.h5 Nxf3 *(13...Rxc3 14.Qxc3 Qxc3 15.bxc3 Nxf3 16.Nxf3 Bxg4 17.h6 Bh8 18.Bg2 Nxe4 19.Rd4 Nxc3+ 20.Kb2 Ne2 21.c3 Nxd4 22.Nxd4 Rb8*

23.a4 a6 24.Nb3 b5 25.a5 b4 26.Bd4 bxc3+ 27.Kxc3 Be6 28.Rb1 Rxb3+ 29.Rxb3 Bxd4+ 30.Kxd4 Bxb3 31.Bf1 Ba4 32.Bxa6 Bc6 33.Bc8 Bb5 34.a6 Bxa6 35.Bxa6 e6 36.Bc8 Kf8 37.Ke4 Ke7 38.Kf4 Kf6 39.Bd7 g5+ 40.Kg4 Kg6 41.Be8 d5 42.Kf3 e5 43.Kg3 d4 44.Kf3 Kxh6 45.Bxf7 Kg7 46.Bh5 Kf6 47.Ke4 h6 48.Be2 g4 49.Bxg4 Kg5 50.Be2 d3 51.Bxd3 h5 52.Kxe5 h4 53.Bf5 h3 54.Bxh3 ½ - ½ (5 4) Nevaljahka (2870)-Opremm (2680) Blitz 2023*)* 14.Nxf3 Rxc3 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Bc4+ d5 17.g5 dxc4 18.gxf6 Bxf6 19.Bd4 Ra3 20.Bxf6 Rxf6 21.Qxd7 Raxf3 22.Qxe7 Rf7 23.Qe8+ Rf8 24.Qe6+ Kg7 25.a3 R8f7 26.Qxc4 Qb6 27.Qd4+ Qxd4 28.Rxd4 Rf1+ 29.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 30.Ka2 Rf7 31.e5 Re7 32.e6 Kf6 33.c4 Kxe6 34.Rh4 Kf5 35.Rh1 g5 36.Rf1+ Kg6 37.Rg1 h5 38.Rc1 h4 39.Rc3 Kh5 40.c5 g4 41.c6 bxc6 42.Rxc6 Re5 43.Rc8 Rg5 44.Rg8 ½ - ½ (4 4) Bettercollsoul (2879)-Wuzhaobing (2649) Blitz 2024; **C4c1312)** 13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Nxe7+ Kh8 15.Bxd2 *(15.Rxd2 Rce8 16.g5 Nxe4 17.Nxg6+ fxg6 18.fxe4 Ng4 19.Bh3 Rxe4 20.Bxg4 Bxg4 21.Rd3 Rfe8 22.Bf2 Rf4 23.Rd2 d5 24.c3 Rfe4 25.a4 a6 26.a5 Be5 27.Nb3 Bf5 28.Kc1 Bf4 29.Nd4 Bxd2+ 30.Kxd2 Kg8 31.Bg3 Re3 32.Bf4 Rd3+ 33.Kc1 Re4 34.Bd2 Bd7 35.h5 gxh5 36.Rxh5 Rg3 37.Rh6 Rg1+ 38.Kc2 Rg2 39.Rd6 Bg4 40.Rd8+ Kf7 41.Rxd5 Rf4 42.Kc1 Rf1+ 43.Kc2 Rff2 44.Nb3 Be6 45.Rd4 Bxb3+ 46.Kc1 Rf1+* 0 - 1 (4 6) Kivurawnuru (2850)-Wuzhaobing (2762) Blitz 2022*)*

15...Rce8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Nxg4 18.fxg4 Bxg4 19.Re1 Rxe1+ 20.Bxe1 Bxd4 21.c3 Bg7 22.Bg3 Rd8 23.Bh3 Bf3 24.Re1 Bxd5 25.Bxd6 Rxd6 26.Re8+ Bf8 27.Rxf8+ Kg7 28.Ra8 a6 29.b3 h5 30.c4 Be4+ 31.Kb2 Rd2+ 32.Ka3 Rh2 33.Bc8 Rxh4 34.Rb8 Rh2 35.Bxb7 Bb1 36.c5 Rxa2+ 37.Kb4 h4 38.c6 Be4 39.c7 Bxb7 40.Rxb7 Rc2 0 - 1 (4 0) Kivurawnuru (2866)-Jaoso78 (2593) Blitz 2022;

C4c1313) 13.Nb3 Qc7 14.g5 Nh5 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.f4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Bxa7 Ng3 19.Rhe1 Rxe4 20.Bb6 Qe8 21.Bd4 Bf5 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Qc3+ 1-0 (23) Mr Baronmunchausen (2846)-Wuzhaobing (2711) Blitz 2024;

C4c1314) 13.g5 Nh5 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.f4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Rhe1 e6 18.Nc3 a6 19.Nde2 Bc6 20.b3 Rb4 21.Bc5 Bxe4 22.Bxb4 1-0 (22) Liem Chess (2891)-Hungzhao (2720) Blitz 2020;

C4c132) 12...h5 13.g5 Ne8 14.Be2 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Nde2 b5 17.Bd4 b4 18.Nd5 Bxd4 19.Nxd4 a5 20.Rhe1 e6 21.Ne3 Rc5 22.f4 Qb6 23.f5 a4 24.Rf1 Qb7 25.fxg6 fxg6 26.Rxf8+ Kxf8 27.Qf2+ Ke7 28.Re1 Qxe4 29.Qd2 Qxh4 30.Qxb4 Qg3 31.a3 Re5 32.Qc3 Qxg5 33.Nf3 Qf4 34.Nxe5 Qxe5 35.Qxe5 dxe5 36.Nc4 h4 37.Nxe5 g5 38.Rg1 Kd6 39.Nxd7 Kxd7 40.Rxg5 Nf6 41.Rg6 Ke7 42.Rh6 1-0 (42) Mikegscarn (2847)-Peon Curva (2660) Blitz 2020;

C4c133) 12...Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.h5 Re8 *(14...b5 15.Nce2 Qc7 16.Bh6 Be8 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Ne6+* 1-0 (19) Brittabagels (2812)-Pickle0 (2576) Blitz 2023*)* 15.b3 Rc8 16.Nd5 e6 17.Nxf6+ Qxf6 18.Rh3 d5 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Bg5 Qe5 21.Bf4 Qf6 22.e5 Qe7 23.Rdh1 Qc5 24.Bg5 1-0 (24)

Elconceto (2840)-Assassinations (2747) Blitz 2023;
C4c134) 12...b5 13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Rxc3 15.bxc3 Qa5 16.Qd2 Nxf3 17.Nxf3 Nxe4 18.Qd4 Nxc3+ 19.Kb2 Nxd1+ 20.Qxd1 Bxg4 21.Qd3 Rc8 22.Be2 Bf5 0-1 (22) Bellingol (2835)-Derdimcokanacan (2770) Blitz 2023;
C4c135) 12...a6 13.h5 b5 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Rxc3 17.bxc3 Qa5 18.Qe3 Rc8 19.Kb2 b4 20.cxb4 Qxb4+ 21.Qb3+ Nc4+ 22.Bxc4+ Rxc4 23.Qxb4 Rxb4+ 24.Kc3 a5 25.Rb1 1-0 (25) Durarbayli (2917)-Germangangster09 (2668) Rapid 2022;
C4c2) 11...h5 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.h3 a6 14.Qf2 Nd7 15.Bd4 Nc5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.gxh5 Qa5 18.Qd4+ Kg8 19.hxg6 1-0 (19) Daddy Calling (2867)-Manchester United In (2744) Blitz 2022;
C4c3) 11...a6 12.h4 h5 13.Be2 hxg4 14.h5 Nxh5 15.fxg4 Ng3 16.Nf5 gxf5 17.Bh6 Bf6 18.gxf5 Bxf5 19.exf5 Nxh1 20.Rg1+ Ng3 21.Rxg3+ Kh7 22.Bg7 Bxg7 23.Qg5 Bh6 24.Rh3 Qb6 25.Rxh6# Normal 1-0 (25) Proteussfx Ai (3110)-Pseudo (2431) Rapid 2024]
[9...Qa5 10.Kb1 Rd8 11.Bc4 Qb4 *(11...Bd7 12.Bb3 Rac8 13.g4 Ne5 14.h4 h5 15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.Rhg1 Rxc3 17.Qxc3 Qxc3 18.bxc3 Rc8 19.Bg5 Kf8 20.f4 Nc4 21.f5 Ke8 22.Rdf1 Ne5 23.Kb2 Rc5 24.Be3 Bf6 25.fxg6 fxg6 26.Nf3 Rxc3 27.Kxc3 Nxf3+ 28.Kd3 Ne5+ 29.Kd2 Bxh4 30.Rxg6 Nxg6 31.Bf7+ Kd8 32.Bxg6 Nf6 33.Bxa7 Bc6 34.Bb6+ Kd7 35.Kd3 d5 36.exd5 Nxd5 37.Bc5 b6 38.Bg1 Bg5 39.Bf5+ Kc7 40.Bh2+ Kb7 41.Rb1 Bf6 42.Rb3 Ba4 43.Be4 Bxb3 44.axb3 Kc6 45.c4 e6 46.Bg1 Be7 47.cxd5+ exd5 48.Bg6 Bc5 49.Bxc5 bxc5 50.Kc3 Kd6 51.Bf7 Ke5 52.Kb2 Kd4 53.Ka3 c4 54.b4 c3 55.Bg6 Kc4 56.Ka4 d4 57.Bf5 d3 58.Be6+ Kd4 59.Kb3 Ke5 60.Bc4 Kd4 61.Bf7 c2 62.Kb2 Ke5 63.b5 Kd6 64.Bc4 c1Q+ 65.Kxc1 Kd7 66.Kd2 Kd6 67.Kxd3 Kd7 68.Kd4 Kd6 69.Bd3 Kd7 70.Kc5 Kc7 71.b6+ Kc8 72.Kc6 Kd8 73.b7 Ke7 74.b8Q Kf7 75.Qd6 Kg7 76.Kd7 Kg8 77.Ke8 Kg7 78.Qf8#* 1-0 (78) Torombot (2927)-Aks Mantissa (2643) Rapid 2023*)* 12.Bb3 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Be6 14.a3 Qa5 15.h4 Bxb3 16.cxb3 h5 17.g4 hxg4 18.h5 gxh5 19.b4 Qa6 20.Bxf6 exf6 21.Rxh5 Qc4 22.Nd5 Re8 23.Rdh1 Qf1+ 24.Rxf1 Re5 25.Rxe5 dxe5 26.Ne7+ Kf8 27.Nf5 Rb8 28.Rh1 Kg8 29.Qh2 gxf3 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Qh8+ Bxh8 32.Rxh8# 1-0 (32) Mateai (3073)-Chessatronbot (2576) Rapid 2024]
[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4 *(10.Qe1 Nc6*

11.g4 Be6 12.h4 Qa5 13.h5 Ne5 14.Be2 Rfc8 15.a3 Rxc3 16.Bd2 Rxc2+ 17.Kxc2 Qa4+ 18.Kb1 Qb3 19.Bc3 Rc8 20.g5 Nxh5 21.Rc1 Nf4 22.Rc2 Qa2+ 23.Kc1 Bb3 24.Bf1 Bxc2 25.Kxc2 Ned3 26.Bxd3 Rxc3+ 27.Qxc3 Bxc3 28.Kxc3 Nxd3 29.Kxd3 Qxb2 0-1 (29) Alfiezero (2846)-Niper13 (2732) Blitz 2022 *)*

A) 10...Qa5 11.Kb1 e5 12.Be3 Be6 13.a3 *(13.g4 Rfd8 14.h4 Qc7 15.Bg5 Qb6 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.g5 Be7 18.h5 Rf8 19.Bh3 Kg7 20.f4 exf4 21.Qxf4 Rae8 22.Bxe6 fxe6 23.Qg4 Bd8 24.e5 d5 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Ne4 Rh8 27.Nd6 Reg8 28.Rxh8 d4 29.Rh7+ Kxh7 30.Qh4+ Kg7 31.Qh6#* 1-0 (31) Fipsi,X (2889)-Chessatronbot (2400) Blitz 2024*)* 13...Rfd8 *(13...h5 14.Qxd6 Rfd8 15.Qb4 Rxd1+ 16.Nxd1 Qxb4 17.axb4 Kh7 18.b3 a6 19.Bc4 Bxc4 20.bxc4 Bh6 21.c3 h4 22.Bxh6 Kxh6 23.Nf2 Rd8 24.Kc2 Kg5 25.Nd3 Re8 26.Rd1 Re7 27.Nf2 Rd7 28.Nh3+ Kh6 29.Ra1 Rc7 30.c5 Kg7 31.Nf2 Kf8 32.Nd1 Ke7 33.Ne3 Ke6 34.Nc4 Nd7 35.Rd1 Ke7 36.Rd5 f6 37.Kb3 Rc6 38.Na5 Rc7 39.Nxb7 Rxb7 40.c6 Rc7 41.cxd7 Rxd7 42.Rxd7+ Kxd7 43.Ka4 Kc6 44.c4 Kb6 45.c5+ Kc6 46.Ka5 Kb7 47.c6+ Kxc6 48.Kxa6 Kc7 49.b5 Kb8 50.Kb6 f5 51.h3 f4 52.Kc6 Kc8 53.Kd6 g5 54.Kc6 Kd8 55.Kb7 Kd7 56.b6 Kd6 57.Kc8 Kc5 58.b7 g4 59.fxg4 Kd4 60.g5 Kxe4 61.g6 Kf5 62.g7 e4 63.b8Q e3 64.g8Q e2 65.Qd6 e1Q 66.Qgg6#* 1-0 (66) Saxtonengine (2841)-Inanisbot (2606) Rapid 2025 *)* 14.Nb5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 d5 16.Nc7 Rac8 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Bxa7 Bh6 19.Rd3 dxe4 20.fxe4 Nxe4 21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Be2 Kf7 23.c3 Rd2 24.Bf3 Nd6 25.Rf1 Ke8 26.Rd1 Rxd1+ 27.Bxd1 e4 28.a4 Kd7 29.Be2 Kc6 30.a5 Bg5 31.Bb6 h5 32.g3 Kd5 33.b3 Nc8 34.Bf2 Nd6 35.Bb6 Nc8 36.Bf2 Nd6 37.Kc2 Bd8 38.c4+ Ke5 39.g4 Ne8 40.b4 h4 41.Be3 Nf6 42.Kb3 h3 43.Ka4 Kd6 44.g5 Nh7 45.b5 Kc7 46.b6+ Kc6 47.c5 Nxg5 48.Bb5+ Kd5 49.c6 bxc6 50.a6 Bxb6 51.Bxb6 cxb5+ 52.Kxb5 Nf3 53.a7 Nd4+ 54.Ka6 Kc4 55.a8Q Kd3 56.Qe8 g5 57.Qd8 e5 58.Qxg5 Nb3 59.Qxe5 e3 60.Qd5+ Kc3 61.Bxe3 Kb4 62.Qc6 Ka3 63.Qc3 Ka4 64.Kb6 Nd2 65.Bc5 Nb3 66.Qc4# 1-0 (66) Que Encrypt (2908)-Chessatronbot (2311) Blitz 2024;

B) 10...Be6

B1) 11.h4 Qa5 12.Kb1 *(12.Qg5 Qxg5+ 13.hxg5 Nh5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Bd3 Nf4 16.g3 Nxd3+ 17.cxd3 a6 18.Rh2 b5 19.Rdh1 Rh8 20.a3 Rac8 21.Kd2 Bb3 22.f4 Rc5 23.Ke3 Rc7 24.Ne2 e5 25.f5 Rc2 26.f6+ Kg8 27.Nc3 Rxh2 28.Rxh2 h5 29.gxh6 Kh7 30.d4 g5 31.dxe5 dxe5 32.Nd5 Kg6 33.h7 Bxd5 34.exd5 Kxf6 35.Ke4 Kg7 36.Kxe5 Re8+ 37.Kf5 Kh8 38.Kf6 g4 39.Kxf7 Rd8 40.Rd2 Kxh7 41.Rh2#* 1-0 (41) Bmwhero (2890)-Sina Iran (2835) Blitz 2021*; 12.a3 Rfc8 13.Qg5 Qxg5+ 14.hxg5 Nd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nd5*

Bxd5 17.Rxd5 Rc5 18.Rxc5 Nxc5 19.b4 Ne6 20.Bc4 Nxg5 21.Kb2 Rc8 22.Bd5 Rc7 23.a4 h5 24.a5 Nh7 25.Bb3 Nf6 26.c4 g5 27.Kc3 h4 28.Kd4 e5+ 29.Ke3 Kf8 30.Rd1 Ke7 31.Rg1 Nh5 32.Rc1 Nf4 33.Rc2 f6 34.Rd2 Ne6 35.Ba2 Nd4 36.Kd3 h3 37.gxh3 Nxf3 38.Ke3 Nxd2 0-1 (38) Satranc Youtube (2838)-Niper13 (2691) Blitz 2021*; 12.g4 Rfc8 13.h5 Bxa2 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.g5 Nh5 16.Bxg7 Nxg7 17.f4 Bf7 18.Qh2 Nh5 19.Be2 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Qxc3 21.Bxh5 Qa1+ 22.Kd2 Qd4+ 23.Ke1 Qc3+ 24.Qd2 Qg3+ 25.Qf2 Qc3+ 26.Rd2 gxh5 27.Qd4 Qg3+ 28.Qf2 Qa3 29.f5 Rc8 30.g6 hxg6 31.fxg6 Bxg6 32.Rg1 Kh7 33.Qg2 Qe3+ 34.Kd1 Qxe4 35.Qxe4 Bxe4 36.Rf2 Bg6 37.Rfg2 Rg8 38.Kd2 e5 39.Ra1 a6 40.Rb1 b5 41.Ra1 Rc8 42.c3 Ra8 43.Rg3 d5 44.Re3 Be4 45.Rf1 Kg6 46.Rg3+ Kh6 47.Rf6+ Kh7 48.Rf7+ Kh6 49.Rf6+ Kh7 50.Rf7+ Kh8 51.Rf6 Rg8 52.Rh6+ Bh7 53.Rxg8+ Kxg8 54.Rxh5 Kf7 55.Rxe5 Be4 56.Rg5 Kf6 57.Rg3 Ke5 58.Ke3 Kd6 59.Rg5 Kc5 60.Rg3 a5* 0-1 (60) Chessplay8 (2837)-Econpower (2658) Blitz 2023*)*

12...Rfc8

B1a) 13.a3 Rab8 14.h5 *(14.Nb5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 a6 16.Nc3 b5 17.Be2 b4 18.axb4 Rxb4 19.Bxa6 Ra8 20.Be2 Nxe4 21.Nxe4 Ba2+ 22.Kc1 Bxd4 23.c3 Bb3 24.Bd3 f5 25.Ng5 Ra1+ 26.Bb1 Ba2 27.Kc2 Bb3+ 28.Kd3* 1-0 (28) Lovenewuniverse (2845)-Brian46 (2752) Blitz 2022*)*

14...b5

B1a1) 15.h6 b4 *(15...Bh8 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Rxd2 Bxd4 19.Rxd4 g5 20.Be2 f6 21.g3 Bc4 22.Bxc4+ bxc4 23.c3 Kf7 24.f4 gxf4 25.gxf4 Rc5 26.Rg1 Rg8 27.Rxg8 Kxg8 28.f5 Kf7 29.Kc2 a5 30.a4 e6 31.Rxd6 exf5 32.exf5 Rxf5 33.Rc6 Rf2+ 34.Kc1 Rh2 35.Rxc4 Rxh6 36.b4 Ke6 37.b5 Rg6 38.Rc6+ Kd5 39.c4+ Kd4 40.b6 Rg8 41.b7 Kc3 42.Kd1 Rb8 43.Rc7 Kb4 44.c5 Kxa4 45.c6 Kb5 46.Rc8 Kb6 47.Rxb8 Kxc6 48.Rh8 Kxb7 49.Rxh7+ Kb6 50.Kc2 Kb5 51.Rh6 Kb4 52.Rxf6 a4 53.Rf5 a3 54.Rf4+ Kb5 55.Kb3 Kc5 56.Ka2 Kd5 57.Rh4 Ke5 58.Rh3 Kd5 59.Rb3 Ke5 60.Rxa3 Kd5 61.Rb3 Kd6 62.Kb2 Kc5 63.Kc2 Kd5 64.Rd3+ Kc5 65.Kc3 Kc6 66.Rd4 Kc5 67.Rc4+ Kd6 68.Rb4* 1-0 (68) Avonswfins0034 (2811)-Econpower (2639) Blitz 2024*)* 16.hxg7 bxc3 17.Bxc3 Rxc3 0-1 (17) Chessplay8 (2819)-Bulletcoach (2622) Blitz 2024;

B1a2) 15.hxg6

B1a21) 15...hxg6 16.Nd5 *(16.Qg5 Bc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Rxd5 Qc7 21.Qh6+ Kf6 22.Qh4+ Kg7 23.g4 Qd8 24.Qh6+ Kf6 25.g5+ Ke6 26.Qh3+ f5 27.Rxf5 Qh8 28.Rf6+ Ke5 29.Qe6+* 1-0 (29) Mothandtheflame (2848)-Winx,M (2926) Blitz 2022 *)* 16...Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxd5 18.exd5 a6 19.g4 Nd7 20.g5 Bxd4 21.Rxd4 Rc7 22.Rdh4 Nf8 23.Bd3 Kg7 24.b4 Rbc8 25.Kb2 f6 26.f4 f5 27.Re1 Rb8 28.Kb3 Rbc8 29.a4 bxa4+ 30.Kxa4 Ra7 31.Kb3 Rb8 32.Ra1 Nd7 33.c3 a5 34.Kc2 Rba8 35.Rah1 Nf8 36.Re1 axb4 37.cxb4 Rc7+ 38.Kb3 Rac8 39.Ba6 Rc3+ 40.Ka4 R8c7 41.Rh2 Kf7 42.Rhe2 Rf3 43.b5 Rxf4+ 44.Ka5 Rcc4 45.Rxe7+ Kg8 46.Re8 Rfe4 47.R1xe4 fxe4 48.b6 Rd4 49.b7 1-0 (49) Dmitrij Im (2863)-Yio05 (2578) Blitz 2022;

B1a22) 15...fxg6 16.Qg5 *(16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Nxf6+ Kg7 19.Rxh7+ Kxf6 20.Rxd2 Rh8 21.Rxh8 Rxh8 22.Bxb5 Rh1+* 0-1 (22) Vistagausta (2869)-Loin Sn (2920) Blitz 2025*)* 16...Bf7 17.Bxb5 e5 18.Be3 Rxc3 19.Bd2 Rxb5 20.Qh4 Rxb2+ 21.Kxb2 Qxa3+ 0-1 (21) Dmitrijiiigm (2882)-Loin Sn (2902) Blitz 2025;

B1b) 13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Rxd2 Nxd5 15.exd5 Bxd4 16.dxe6 Bf6 17.exf7+ Kxf7 18.h5 Kg7 19.Bd3 gxh5 20.Rxh5 h6 21.g4 Bg5 22.Rdh2 e5 23.Bf5 Rc6 24.Be4 Rc5 25.Bxb7 Rb8 26.Be4 d5 27.Bf5 a5 28.a4 Rb4 29.b3 Rf4 30.R2h3 Rc3 31.Bd3 e4 32.fxe4 dxe4 33.Be2 e3 34.Kb2 Bf6 35.Rxh6 Rc5+ 36.Kb1 Rf2 37.Rh7+ Kf8 38.Rxe3 1-0 (38) Batko2003 (2876)-Econpower (2755) Blitz 2023;

B1c) 13.Qg5 b5 14.a3 Rab8 15.h5 h6 16.Qd2 b4 17.Na2 Bxa2+ 18.Kxa2 Rxc2 19.Qxc2 b3+ 20.Qxb3 Rxb3 21.Kxb3 Nxh5 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Bc4 Nf6 24.Ka2 Qc5 25.Bb3 a5 26.Rc1 Qb5 27.Rc2 a4 28.Bc4 Qb6 29.Rd1 Nd7 30.f4 Nc5 31.e5 dxe5 32.fxe5 e6 33.Rd6 Qb7 34.Rcd2 Ne4 35.Rd7 Qc6 36.R2d4 Nc5 37.Ra7 Qxg2 38.Rf4 h5 39.Rc7 Nb3 40.Bxe6 Qd2 41.Rfxf7+ Kh6 42.Bxb3 axb3+ 43.Kxb3 Qd5+ 44.Kc2 Qxe5 45.a4 h4 46.Rh7+ Kg5 47.Rb7 Qe4+ 48.Kb3 Qe6+ 49.Ka3 h3 50.Rb5+ Kg4 51.Rb4+ Kg5 52.Rb3 Qd6+ 53.Ka2 h2 54.Rbh3 Qd5+ 55.b3 Qd2+ 56.Ka3 Qc1+ 57.Kb4 Qd2+

58.Kb5 Qd5+ 59.Kb6 Qd6+ 60.Kb7 Qb4+ 61.Kc7 Qc5+ 62.Kb7 Qd5+ 63.Ka6 Qc6+ 64.Ka5 Qc5+ 65.Ka6 Qc6+ 66.Ka7 Qc5+ 67.Kb8 Qb6+ 68.Rb7 Qd8+ 69.Ka7 Qa5+ 70.Kb8 Qd8+ 71.Ka7 Qa5+ 72.Kb8 Qd8+ ½-½ (72) Forgiants (2841)-Tiger Nad (2713) Blitz 2021;

B1d) 13.b3 h5 14.Ne2 Qd8 *(14...Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Bd7 16.Bb2 a5 17.a4 b5 18.axb5 Bxb5 19.Nc3 Bc6 20.Na4 Bxa4 21.bxa4 Rab8 22.Bb5 Ne8 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Ka2 Nc7 25.c4 Ne6 26.Rb1 Kf6 27.g3 Nc5 28.Rd5 Rb6 29.Rbd1 Nb7 30.Kb3 e6 31.R5d2 Ke7 32.Kc3 Nc5 33.Re2 f5 34.e5 dxe5 35.Rxe5 Kf6 36.Re2 e5 37.Red2 e4 38.Rd6+ Rxd6 39.Rxd6+ Ke7 40.Rxg6 exf3 41.Kd2 Rd8+ 42.Ke1 Ne4 43.c5 f2+ 44.Ke2 Rd2+ 45.Ke3 Rb2 46.Be2 Rb3+ 47.Kf4 Nxc5 48.Kxf5 Rf3+ 49.Kg5 Ne4+ 50.Kh6 Rxg3 51.Kxh5 Nf6+ 52.Kh6 Re3 53.Bb5 Rf3 54.Rg7+ Ke6 55.Bc4+ Kf5 56.Rg5+ Kf4 57.Kg6 Ng4 58.Rf5+ Kg3 59.Rxf3+ Kxf3 60.Bb5 Ne5+ 61.Kf5 Ng4 62.h5 Ne3+ 63.Kg5 Kg3 64.h6 Ng4 65.h7 Ne5 66.Kf6 Ng4+ 67.Kg7 Ne3 68.h8Q Nf5+ 69.Kf6 Nh4 70.Qb8+ Kg2 71.Qb7+* 1-0 (71) Jepetto (3041)-Sina Iran (2831) Blitz 2022 *)* 15.Nf4 Bd7 16.g4 e5 17.gxh5 exd4 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Nxg6 Kh7 20.h5 Ng8 21.Bd3 Nh6 22.e5 Bf5 23.Bxf5 Nxf5 24.Qd3 Qd7 25.h6 Bxe5 26.Nxe5 dxe5 27.Rh5 Rf8 28.Rg1 Kh8 29.Rg7 Qe6 30.Rxb7 Rac8 31.Rxa7 Rc3 32.Qe4 d3 33.Qb7 dxc2+ 34.Kc1 Ne7 35.Qxe7 Qxe7 36.Rxe7 Rfxf3 37.Rhxe5 Rfd3 38.Re1 Rh3 39.Rd7 Rc8 40.Rd2 Rhc3 41.Ree2 Kh7 42.Rxc2 1-0 (42) Jepetto (3041)-Sina Iran (2830) Blitz 2022;

B2) 11.g4 Qa5 *(11...Qc8 12.h4 h5 13.g5 Nd7 14.f4 Bg4 15.Re1 e5 16.Nd5 Re8 17.fxe5 Nxe5 18.Bb5 Nf3 19.Bxe8 Qc4 20.Bxf7+ Kh7 21.Bxg7 Nxd2 22.Nf6+ Kxg7 23.Bxc4 Nxc4 24.b3 Ne5 25.Re3 a5 26.a4 Rc8 27.Rh2 Rc5 28.Rd2 Be6 29.Rxd6* 1-0 (29) Faustioro (2889)-Drstrange8 (2688) Blitz 2024; *11...Rc8 12.h4 b5 13.Bxb5 Qa5 14.a3 Rxc3 15.a4 Nxe4 16.fxe4 Bxd4 17.Qxd4 Rc7 18.h5 Rfc8 19.hxg6 Rxc2+ 20.Kb1 fxg6 21.e5 Qb6 22.Qxb6 axb6 23.exd6 exd6 24.Rxd6 Bxg4 25.Rxb6 Bf5 26.Ka2 h5 27.a5 Ra8 28.a6 Rc5 29.b4 Rxb5 30.Rxb5 Rxa6+ 31.Kb2 Kg7 32.Ra5 Re6 33.Kc3 Kh6 34.b5 Re3+ 35.Kd4 Rb3 36.Kc5 Kg5 37.b6 h4 38.Kc6 Kg4 39.Ra4+ Kg3 40.Rhxh4 g5 41.Rhb4 Rxb4 42.Rxb4 Bh3 43.Rb3+ Kh2 44.Rxh3+ Kxh3 45.b7 g4 46.b8Q g3 47.Qh8+ Kg2 48.Kd5 Kf2 49.Ke4 g2 50.Qh4+ Kf1 51.Kf3 g1Q 52.Qc4+ Ke1*

53.Qe2# 1-0 (53) Slimfritz (2823)-Unknown Maestro (2663) Blitz 2022 *)*

B2a) 12.Kb1 Rfc8

B2a1) 13.Nd5 Qxd2 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Rxd2 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 Kg7 17.h4 Kf6 *(17...h6 18.Be2 g5 19.b3 Rc5 20.Kb2 a5 21.a4 Rac8 22.Rd2 Kf6 23.hxg5+ hxg5 24.Rh5 Ke5 25.Rxg5+ Kf4 26.Rxc5 Rxc5 27.Bd1 b5 28.axb5 Rxb5 29.Ka3 Rc5 30.Rd3 Bd7 31.c3 Bb5 32.c4 Bd7 33.Rc3 Ke5 34.b4 axb4+ 35.Kxb4 Kd4 36.Be2 Ke5 37.Ra3 Rc7 38.Ra5+ Kd4 39.e5 Rb7+ 40.Ka3 dxe5 41.Bd1 Bc6 42.g5 Kc3 43.Ba4 Rb1 44.Ka2 Rb2+ 45.Ka3 Bxf3 46.Rxe5 Rf2 47.Rxe7 Bg4 48.Bb3 Rf5 49.Re3+ Kd4 50.Re7 Kc3 51.Re3+ Kd4 52.Re7 Bh5 53.Kb4 Rxg5 54.c5 Bf3 55.Rxf7 Bg2 56.Rd7+ Ke5 57.Kb5 Kf6 58.Bd5 Bxd5 59.Rd6+ Ke7 60.Kb6 Be6 61.Rd4 Rg3 62.c6 Rb3+ 63.Kc5 Rc3+ 64.Kb6 Bf5 65.Rb4 Bh3 66.Rd4 Bg2 67.Rd7+ Ke6 68.Rd4 Rxc6+ 69.Kb5 Rc8 70.Rh4 Bc6+ 71.Kc5 Bd7+ 72.Kb6 Kd6 73.Ka7 Bc6 74.Kb6 Rb8+ 75.Ka5 Rb5+ 76.Ka6 Kc7 77.Ka7 Ra5#* 0-1 (77) Elektromagnit (2881)-Sina Iran (2712) Blitz 2021 *)* 18.f4 Bxg4 19.e5+ Kg7 20.exd6 Rd8 21.Bg2 Rab8 22.Re1 Rxd6 23.Rxd6 exd6 24.Re7 Kf6 25.Rc7 Re8 26.b3 Re7 27.Rxe7 Kxe7 28.Bxb7 Kf6 29.Be4 Kg7 30.b4 Kh6 31.a4 Kh5 32.b5 Kxh4 33.a5 Kg3 34.b6 axb6 35.a6 Kxf4 36.Bc6 1-0 (36) Realmadrid2007 (2881)-Loin Sn (2960) Blitz 2025;

B2a2) 13.a3 Rab8 *(13...a6 14.h4 h5 15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Rg1 Rxc3 18.Rg5 Qc7 19.Qxc3+ Qxc3 20.bxc3 Rc8 21.Kb2 Kf6 22.Bd3 Bd7 23.e5+ dxe5 24.Bxg6 fxg6 25.Rxd7 b5 26.Ra7 Rc6 27.Ra8 Nf4 28.Rf8+ Ke6 29.Rxf4 exf4 30.Rxg6+* 1-0 (30) Tuzakli Egitim (2889)-Drstrange8 (2663) Blitz 2024 *)*

B2a21) 14.g5 Nh5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Be2 *(16.f4 Rxc3 17.bxc3 Qxa3 18.Qd4+ Kg8 19.Qb4 Qa2+ 20.Kc1 Nxf4 21.Kd2 Rc8 22.Qxb7 Rc5 23.h4 Qa5 24.Qb4 Qc7 25.Rb1 Kg7 26.Qd4+ Re5 27.Be2 Nxe2 28.Kxe2 a5 29.Kd2 Qc6 30.h5 gxh5 31.Rxh5 Qxe4 32.Rbh1 Qe2+ 33.Kc1 Bf5 34.R5h2 Qe3+ 35.Kb2 Qxd4 36.cxd4 Rb5+ 37.Ka3 Bg6 38.c4 Rxg5 39.Rc1 Rg4 40.c5 dxc5 41.dxc5 Rd4 42.c6 Rd8 43.c7 Rc8 44.Rb2 Kf6 45.Rb8 Bf5 46.Rf1*

Rxc7 47.Rb5 e6 48.Rxa5 h5 49.Kb4 h4 50.Rc5 Rxc5 51.Kxc5 Ke5 52.Kc4 Ke4 53.Re1+ Kf3 54.Kd4 h3 55.Re3+ Kf2 56.Ra3 h2 57.Ra2+ Kg3 58.Ra1 Bg4 59.Ke3 Bf3 60.Ra8 Bxa8 61.Kd4 h1Q 62.Ke5 Qd5+ 63.Kf6 Qf5+ 64.Ke7 e5 65.Kd6 e4 66.Kc7 e3 67.Kb6 e2 68.Ka7 Qa5+ 69.Kb8 Bc6 70.Kc8 Qa6+ 71.Kd8 Qb7 ½-½ (71) Ragned93 (2846)-Loin Sn (2774) Blitz 2022; *16.Qd4+ Kg8 17.h4 b5 18.Qb4 Qb6 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 a5 21.Qd4 Qc7 22.Bd3 b4 23.a4 b3 24.cxb3 Rxb3 25.Rc1 Qb7 26.Rxc8+ Qxc8 27.Rc1 Qb7 28.Bb5 Rxf3 29.Rc6 Ng3 30.Ba6 Nf5 31.Qb6 Qxb6 32.Rxb6 Rf4 33.Bb5 Rxh4 34.Ra6 Rg4 35.Rxa5 Rxg5 36.Ra8+ Kg7 37.a5 h5 38.a6 Nd4 39.Bd7 Rxd5 40.b4 Nb5 41.a7 Nc7 42.Rc8 Rb5 43.Bxb5* 1-0 (43) Keepging002 (2844)-Marianofreyrex (2644) Blitz 2025*)* 16...b5 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Bxd5 19.Rxd5 Nf4 20.Rd2 a5 21.Rhd1 Rc5 22.h4 b4 23.a4 Rbc8 24.Bb5 h6 25.Rg1 hxg5 26.Rxg5 Rxg5 27.hxg5 Rc5 28.Rd4 Rxg5 29.c3 bxc3 30.b4 axb4 31.Rxb4 Rc5 32.a5 c2+ 33.Kc1 Ne6 34.a6 Nc7 35.a7 Kf6 36.Bd7 Ra5 37.Ra4 Rxa4 38.Bxa4 Ke5 39.Kxc2 Kf4 40.Bc6 e5 41.Kc3 Kxf3 42.Kb4 g5 43.Ka5 g4 44.Kb6 g3 45.Kxc7 g2 46.a8Q g1Q 47.Kxd6 Qd4+ 48.Bd5 Qb4+ 49.Kd7 Kf4 50.Qc6 Qf8 51.Qf6+ Kg4 52.Qxf7 Qh6 53.Qf5+ Kg3 54.Qxe5+ Kg2 55.Qe6 Qh7+ 56.Ke8 Qh2 57.Kf7 Qg3 58.Qg6 Qxg6+ 59.Kxg6 Kg3 60.e5 Kf4 61.e6 Ke5 62.e7 Kd6 63.e8Q Kxd5 64.Qd7+ Kc5 65.Kf6 Kc4 66.Ke5 Kc5 67.Qc7+ Kb5 68.Kd4 Kb4 69.Qb7+ Ka5 70.Kc3 Ka4 71.Qa6# 1-0 (71) Worktim1 (2868)-Swindlingjoker (2634) Blitz 2024;

B2a22) 14.Be2 b5 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 Bxd5 17.exd5 a5 18.Re1 Nd7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.f4 Rc7 21.h4 b4 22.a4 Nc5 23.Bb5 f5 24.g5 Rh8 25.h5 h6 26.gxh6+ Rxh6 27.hxg6 Rh4 28.Rf1 Kxg6 29.Rg2+ Rg4 30.Rh2 Rc8 31.Be2 Rg3 32.Rfh1 Kf6 33.Rh7 Rcg8 34.R1h6+ R8g6 35.Bh5 Rxh6 36.Rf7# 1-0 (36) Gordima (2855)-Winx,M (2907) Blitz

2022;
B2a23) 14.Nb5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 a6 16.Nc3 b5 17.e5 dxe5 18.Bxe5 Ne4 19.Nxe4 Bxe5 20.c3 a5 21.Bd3 b4 22.cxb4 axb4 23.a4 b3 24.Bb5 Bc4 25.Rc1 Bxb5 26.Rxc8+ Rxc8 27.axb5 Bf4 28.Rd1 Rb8 29.Nc3 Bxh2 30.Rd4 Bd6 31.Rc4 f5 32.gxf5 gxf5 33.Kc1 Kf7 34.Kd2 h5 35.Kd3 Bg3 0-1 (35) Evg85 (2816)-Loin Sn (2902) Blitz 2025;
B2a24) 14.h4 b5
B2a241) 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Kg7 18.Rxd2 Kxf6
B2a2411) 19.g5+ Ke5 20.Bh3 a5 *(20...Kf4 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.Rd3 Rc5 23.Rg1 Rf8 24.b4 Rc4 25.Kb2 Ke5 26.Kb3 Rf4 27.Rh1 d5 28.exd5 exd5 29.h5 Kf5 30.hxg6 hxg6 31.Rh7 e6 32.Rxa7 Kxg5 33.Rb7 Kh4 34.Rxb5 Rc6 35.a4 Kg3 36.a5 Rxf3 37.Rxf3+ Kxf3 38.Rb6 Rc8 39.a6 g5 40.Rxe6 g4 41.b5 g3 42.Rf6+ Ke3 43.Rg6 Kf2 44.b6 g2 45.b7 Rc6 46.Rxg2+* 1-0 (46) Anya6 (2810)-Chipmunknau (2631) Blitz 2023*)* 21.f4+ Kxf4 22.Rf1+ Ke5 23.Bxe6 Kxe6 24.Rdf2 Rf8 25.Kc1 b4 26.axb4 axb4 27.Kd2 f6 28.gxf6 Rxf6 29.Ke3 Rbf8 30.Rxf6+ Rxf6 31.Ra1 Rf8 32.Ra4 Rb8 33.Kd4 h6 34.Ra5 Rc8 35.Kd3 Rc5 36.Ra4 Rh5 37.Rxb4 Rxh4 38.Rb8 g5 39.b4 Rh3+ 40.Kd4 g4 41.Rg8 h5 42.b5 Kd7 43.c4 Rh1 44.Rg5 Rh3 45.e5 g3 46.exd6 Rh4+ 47.Kd5 Rg4 48.Rxg4 hxg4 49.b6 exd6 0-1 (49) Jianghaochen (2850)-Loin Sn (2948) Blitz 2025;
B2a2412) 19.Rf2 a5 20.g5+ Kg7 21.h5 b4 22.a4 Rc5 23.Rfh2 Rxg5 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.f4 Rc5 26.Rh7+ Kf6 27.Bd3 b3 28.c3 Bc4 29.e5+ dxe5 30.fxe5+ Ke6 31.Bxc4+ Rxc4 32.Rf1 Rf8 0-1 (32) Anythingbutaverage (2926)-Loin Sn (2877) Blitz 2025;

B2a242) 15.Nd5 Qxd2
16.Nxf6+ Bxf6
17.Rxd2 Bxd4
18.Rxd4
B2a2421) 18...a5
19.Bd3 *(19.g5 Kg7 20.f4 b4 21.axb4 axb4 22.b3 h6 23.Kb2 hxg5 24.hxg5 Rc5 25.Bd3 Ra5 26.Rf1 Bc8 27.f5 Rb6 28.f6+ exf6 29.gxf6+ Kg8 30.Bc4 Re5 31.Rfd1 Be6 32.Rxd6 Rxd6 33.Rxd6 Bxc4 34.bxc4 Rxe4 35.Kb3 g5 36.Rd5 Rg4 37.Kxb4 Kh7 38.Kb5 Kg6 39.Rd6 Rg2 40.c3 Rc2 41.Rd3 Rb2+ 42.Kc6 Kxf6 43.c5 Ke5 44.Kd7 Rb7+ 45.Kc8 Rb5 46.c6 Rc5 47.Kd7 Ke4 48.Rd4+ Ke3 49.Rg4 Kf3 50.Rg1 Kf2 51.Rc1 g4 52.Kd6 Rc4 53.Kd5 Ra4 54.c7 Ra8 55.Kc6 f5 56.Kb7 Rg8 57.c4 g3 58.c5 g2 59.c6 g1Q 60.Rxg1 Kxg1 61.c8Q Rxc8 62.Kxc8 f4 63.Kd7 f3 64.c7 f2 65.c8Q f1Q 66.Qc5+ Kh2 67.Qh5+ Kg3 68.Qg5+ Kh3 69.Qh5+ Kg2 70.Qg5+ Kh1 71.Qh4+ Kg1 72.Qg4+ Kf2 73.Qf4+ Ke1 74.Qxf1+ Kxf1* ½ - ½ (7 4) Foreverbroken (2840)-Loin Sn (2919) Blitz 2025; *19.b3 h6 20.Kb2 Kg7 21.h5 g5 22.Be2 Kf6 23.Rhd1 Ke5 24.c3 Kf4 25.R1d2 Ke5 26.b4 a4 27.c4 Bxc4 28.Bxc4 bxc4 29.Kc3 Kf4 30.Rf2 Kg3 31.Rf1 Kg2 32.Rdd1 Rb6 33.f4 gxf4 34.Rxf4 f6 35.Rdf1 Kg3 36.R4f3+ Kxg4 37.Rf5 Kh4 38.Rh1+ Kg4 39.Rg1+ Kh4 40.Rf2 Kh3 41.Rf3+ Kh4 42.Kd4 c3 43.Rf4+ Kxh5 44.Rf2 e5+ 45.Kd3* 1-0 (45) Inlin (2816)-Bulletcoach (2615) Blitz 2023*)* 19...b4 20.axb4 axb4 21.b3 Kg7 22.Rg1 h6 23.f4 Rc5 24.Kb2 g5 25.hxg5 hxg5 26.f5 Bd7 27.Ra1 Rb7 28.Ra8 Kf6 29.Ba6 Rbc7 30.Bd3 Ke5 31.Rxb4 Kf4 32.Rg8 Re5 33.Rg7

f6 34.Be2 Bc6 35.Rg8 Rxe4 36.Rxe4+ Bxe4 37.c4 Bf3 38.Bd3 Bxg4 39.b4 Bxf5 40.Kc3 Bxd3 41.Kxd3 g4 42.b5 f5 43.Kd4 e5+ 44.Kd5 Rc5+ 45.Kxd6 Rxc4 46.b6 Rb4 47.Kc5 Rb1 48.Rd8 g3 49.Rd2 Kf3 50.Kc6 g2 0-1 (50) The Appleboy (2854)-Itsniclox (2652) Blitz 2022;

B2a2422) 18...h6 19.Be2 g5 20.Kc1 Kg7 21.Kd2 Rc5 22.c3 Kf6 23.Ke3 a6 24.f4 gxf4+ 25.Kxf4 Bc4 26.Ke3 Bxe2 27.Kxe2 Rg8 28.Rf1+ Ke6 29.Kf3 Re5 30.Rf2 f6 31.Rd1 h5 32.gxh5 Rxh5 33.Rh2 Rgh8 34.Kg4 R5h7 35.Rd5 Rg8+ 36.Kf3 Rg1 37.h5 Rf1+ 38.Ke2 Rf4 39.Ke3 Rg4 40.h6 Rg5 41.Kd4 Kf7 42.a4 bxa4 43.c4 Rg3 44.Ra5 e5+ 45.Kd5 Rd3+ 46.Kc6 Rd4 47.Rxa6 Ke6 48.Rxa4 Rxe4 49.b3 f5 50.Ra8 f4 51.Re8+ Kf7 52.Rd8 Kf6 53.Rxd6+ Kf5 54.Rd7 Rh8 55.h7 Re3 56.Rf7+ Kg6 57.Re7 Kf6 58.Rd7 Rxb3 59.Rg2 Rbb8 60.c5 Rbc8+ 61.Kd6 Kf5 62.Rgg7 Ke4 63.c6 f3 64.c7 Ke3 65.Rdf7 e4 66.Rg8 Rhxg8 67.hxg8Q Rxg8 68.Kd7 Ke2 69.Rf4 e3 70.Kc6 f2 71.Rd4 Rc8 72.Rd8 Rxc7+ 73.Kxc7 f1Q 74.Rd7 Qc1+ 75.Kd6 Kf2 76.Ke7 e2 77.Rd6 e1Q+ 78.Re6 1-0 (78) Nowiamserious (2833)-Yio05 (2594) Blitz 2024;

B2a2423) 18...Kg7 19.Be2 a5 20.f4 b4 21.a4 Rc5 22.Rhd1 Rbc8 23.R1d2 R8c7 24.f5 Bc4 25.Bxc4 Rxc4 26.b3 Rxd4 27.Rxd4 Rc5 28.Kc1 Kf6 29.Kd2 Ke5 30.Rd3 Kf4 31.fxg6 hxg6 32.g5 Re5 33.c3 bxc3+ 34.Rxc3 Rxe4 35.Rc7 Kg3 36.Ra7 Re5 37.b4 axb4 38.a5 Kxh4 39.a6 Kxg5 40.Rb7 Ra5 41.a7 Kf6 42.Kc2 Ra3 43.Kd2 g5 44.Ke2 g4 45.Kf2

e5 46.Kg2 Ke6 47.Kf2 f5 48.Kg2 f4 49.Kf2 Ra2+ 50.Kf1 g3 51.a8Q Rxa8 52.Kg2 Ra2+ 53.Kf3 Rf2+ 54.Kg4 g2 0-1 (54) Secret Mikalsen (2935)-Loin Sn (2901) Blitz 2025;

B2b) 12.a3

B2b1) 12...Rfc8 13.h4 Rab8 *(13...b5 14.Nxb5 Qd8 15.h5 Rab8 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.g5 Nh5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qd4+ Kg8 20.Qxa7 Rc5 21.Qxc5 dxc5 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Nc7 Bc8 24.Bc4 Rd4 25.b3* 1-0 (25) Durarbayli (2815)-Whiterabbit00735 (2688) Blitz 2022*)* 14.h5 b5 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Qg5 *(16.g5 b4 17.gxf6 bxc3 18.Bxc3 Rxc3 19.Qxc3 Qxc3 20.bxc3 Bxf6 21.Rd4 Bxd4 22.cxd4 Kg7 23.Be2 Rc8 24.Kd2 Bc4 25.Bd1 h5 26.f4 d5 27.f5 dxe4 28.fxg6 Kxg6 29.Rxh5 e6 30.Ra5 a6 31.Ke3 Bd5 32.Rc5 Rxc5 33.dxc5 Kf6 34.Be2 a5 35.Bb5 Ke5 36.c3 Ba8 37.c4 Bb7 38.c6 Bc8 39.Ba4 Kd6 40.Kxe4 Kc5 41.Bb5 Kd6 42.Kf4 e5+ 43.Ke4 Bh3 44.Ba4 Bg2+ 45.Ke3 Bxc6 46.Bxc6 Kxc6 47.Ke4 Kc5 48.Kxe5 Kxc4 49.Ke4 Kc3 50.Ke3 Kc2 51.a4 Kc3 52.Ke2 Kc2 53.Ke1 Kc1 54.Ke2 Kc2 55.Ke1 Kb3 56.Kd1 Kxa4 57.Kc1 Ka3 58.Kb1 Kb3 59.Ka1 a4 60.Kb1 Ka3 61.Ka1 Kb3 62.Kb1 Ka3 63.Ka1 Kb3* ½-½ (63) Kivurawnuru (2841)-Niper13 (2650) Blitz 2023 *)* 16...Bf7 17.e5 b4 18.axb4 *(18.Nb5 Rxb5 19.Bxb5 Qxb5 20.axb4 Qa4 21.Bc3 Nd5 22.Rxd5 Qa1+ 23.Kd2 Qxh1 24.Rd3* 0-1 (24) Alfiezero (2811)-Sina Iran (2847) Blitz 2022 *)* 18...Rxb4 19.Rd3 h6 20.Rxh6 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 dxe5 22.Be3 Qa1+ 23.Kd2 Qxf1 0-1 (23) Platy2 (2867)-Moondust33 (2649) Blitz 2021;

B2b2) 12...Rab8 13.h4 b5 14.Nd5 Qxd2+ 15.Rxd2 Bxd5 16.exd5 a5 17.Be2 Rfc8 18.Re1 Nd7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Kb1 Nc5 21.Bf1 Rc7 22.Rd4 b4 23.axb4 axb4 24.b3 Ra7 25.Kc1 Ra2 26.Bc4 Rb7 27.f4 Rba7 28.Re2 Ra1+ 29.Kd2 Rh1 30.Bb5 Rxh4 31.g5 Ra2 32.Rxb4 Rh3 33.Bc4 Rf3 34.Rxe7 Rxf4 35.Rb8 Ne4+ 36.Ke3 Rh4 37.Rxe4 Rxe4+ 38.Kxe4 Rxc2 39.b4 Rxc4+ 40.Kd3 Rg4 41.b5 Rxg5 42.Kd4 Rg4+ 43.Kc3 Rg1 44.Kc2 Rg5 45.Kc3 Rxd5 46.Kb4 Rd1 47.b6 h5 48.Kb5 h4 49.Ra8 Rb1+ 50.Kc6 h3 51.Ra2 g5 52.b7 g4 53.Ra5 h2 54.Rh5 g3 55.Kc7 f5 0-1 (55) Demchenko,A (2880)-

Yakamuzosan (2771) Blitz 2023;

B2c) 12.Nd5 Qxa2 13.Nxe7+ Kh8 14.Qg5 Nd7 15.Bxg7+ Kxg7 16.Rxd6 Qa1+ 17.Kd2 Qxb2 18.Qe3 Qb4+ 19.Qc3+ Qxc3+ 20.Kxc3 Rfe8 21.Nd5 Rac8+ 22.Kb2 Ne5 23.Be2 Rc5 24.Ra1 Rec8 25.Ne3 a6 26.Ra3 Bc4 27.Nxc4 Nxc4+ 28.Bxc4 Rxc4 29.Rd2 g5 30.Ra5 h6 31.h4 R8c5 32.Rxc5 Rxc5 33.hxg5 hxg5 34.Kb3 Kf6 35.c4 b5 36.cxb5 Rxb5+ 37.Kc4 Ke5 38.Ra2 Rb6 39.Ra5+ Ke6 40.Rxg5 Rc6+ 41.Kb4 Rc1 42.Ra5 Rc6 43.f4 Kf6 44.g5+ Kg6 45.Rd5 Rb6+ 46.Ka5 Rc6 47.Re5 f6 48.gxf6 Rxf6 49.f5+ Kg5 50.Re6 Rxe6 51.fxe6 Kf6 52.Kxa6 Kxe6 53.Kb5 Ke5 54.Kc4 Kxe4 ½-½ (54) Alexandr Khlebovich (2819)-Niper13 (2668) Blitz 2021;

B2d) 12.g5 Nd7 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.h4 Bxa2 15.Qd4+ Ne5 16.f4 Be6 17.fxe5 dxe5 18.Qa4 Qb6 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Rac8 21.Kb1 Rc5 22.h5 Ra5 23.Qh4 e4 24.Qxe4 Qd6 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Qh4 h5 27.gxh6+ Kh7 28.Bd3 Rf4 29.Bxg6+ Kh8 30.Qe1 Qa6 31.Qc3+ Rf6 32.Qc8+ 1-0 (32) Caviar2068 (2998)-Loin Sn (2821) Blitz 2022;

B3) 11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.exd5 Qd7 13.Kb1 Rfc8 14.c4 a6 15.Bd3 b5 16.cxb5 axb5 17.Rc1 Qb7 18.Be4 Nd7 19.Rc6 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Ne5 21.Rxc8+ Rxc8 22.Rc1 Rxc1+ 23.Kxc1 b4 24.Kc2 Qb5 25.Kb3 Nd7 26.Qxb4 Nc5+ 27.Kc3 Qe2 28.Qd4 Qxg2 29.a4 f5 30.Bd3 Qxf3 31.a5 Qd1 32.b4 Qa1+ 33.Kc4 Qa2+ 34.Kb5 Qa4+ 35.Kb6 Nxd3 36.Qxd3 Qxb4+ 37.Qb5 Qd4+ 38.Kb7 f4 39.a6 f3 40.a7 f2 41.a8Q+ Kg7 42.Qa2 e5 43.dxe6 Qe4+ 44.Kc7 Qe3 45.Qae2 Qa7+ 46.Kxd6 Qd4+ 47.Kc6 Qc3+ 48.Kd7 Qd4+ 49.Kc6 Qc3+ 50.Qc5 Qf6 51.Qce5 f1Q 52.Qxf6+ Qxf6 53.Kd6 Qd4+ 54.Kc6 Qc3+ 55.Kd7 Qf6 56.e7 Qf5+ 57.Qe6 Qd3+ 58.Qd6 Qb5+ 59.Kd8 Qa5+ 60.Qc7 Qa8+ 61.Kd7 Qd5+ 62.Qd6 Qb5+ 63.Qc6 Qd3+ 64.Qd6 Qb5+ ½-½ (64) Keepging002 (2868)-Loin Sn (2984) Blitz 2025;

B4) 11.Kb1

B4a) 11...Re8

B4a1) 12.h4 Qa5 *(12...h5 13.Bb5 Rf8 14.Ba4 a6 15.Bb3 b5 16.g4 a5 17.gxh5 Nxh5 18.Nxb5 Bxb3 19.cxb3 a4 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.b4 Qb6 22.Na3 Rab8 23.Nc2 Qb5 24.a3 Rfc8 25.Ne3 e6 26.Ng4 Nh5 27.Qxd6 Qe2 28.Qd3 Qxd3+ 29.Rxd3 Nf4 30.Rd7 Rb5 31.Nh6+ Kg7 32.Nxf7 Kf6 33.Ng5 Ke5 34.Nf7+ Kf6 35.Nd6* 1-0 (35) Kinryln (2810)-Abking1971 (2603) Blitz 2024 *)*

B4a11) 13.Nd5 Qxd2

14.Rxd2 Bxd5 15.exd5 Nh5 *(15...Bh6 16.Rd1 Nxd5 17.Bxa7 Nc3+ 18.bxc3 Rxa7 19.Bc4 Bg7 20.Rd3 Rc8 21.Bb3 Rxc3 22.Rxc3 Bxc3 23.h5 Kg7 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Rc1 e6 26.Rd1 d5 27.Rd3 d4 28.Rd1 b5 29.f4 g5 30.g3 gxf4 31.gxf4 Kf6 32.Rf1 Kf5 33.Kc1 Ra8 34.Kd1 Rh8 35.Ke2 Rh2+ 36.Rf2 Rxf2+ 37.Kxf2 Kxf4 38.a4 bxa4 39.Bxa4 e5 40.Ke2 e4 41.Be8 f5 42.Bg6 Kg4 43.Bh7 Kf4 44.Bg6 Ke5 45.Bh7 f4 46.Bg6 f3+ 47.Kf2 Kf4 48.Kf1 d3* 0-1 (48) Next Touch (2814)-Sina Iran (2790) Blitz 2021*)* 16.Bf2 Be5 17.Bb5 Rec8 18.g4 Nf4 19.h5 a6 20.Ba4 b5 21.Bb3 a5 22.a3 Rab8 23.c3 b4 24.cxb4 axb4 25.a4 Bc3 26.Rdd1 Be5 27.hxg6 hxg6 28.Rhe1 f6 29.Re4 Kf7 30.Be1 Rh8 31.Rxb4 Rh2 32.Rd2 Rxb4 33.Rxh2 Rxb3 34.Ka2 Rxf3 35.a5 Nxd5 36.a6 Rf4 37.Kb3 Rf3+ 38.Ka2 Nb6 39.Rc2 Rf4 40.Rc6 Ra4+ 41.Kb3 Rxa6 42.Bf2 Ke6 43.Rxb6 Rxb6+ 44.Bxb6 f5 45.gxf5+ Kxf5 46.Kc2 g5 47.b4 g4 48.b5 g3 49.Kd3 g2 50.Bg1 Kg4 51.Ke4 Bg3 52.b6 e6 53.b7 d5+ 54.Ke3 Kh3 55.Kd4 Kg4 56.Ke3 Kg5 57.Kf3 Kh4 58.Kxg2 Kg4 59.Bh2 Bxh2 60.Kxh2 d4 61.b8Q Kf3 62.Qd6 e5 63.Qxe5 d3 64.Qd4 Ke2 65.Qe4+ Kd1 66.Kg2 d2 67.Kf2 Kc1 68.Qc4+ Kd1 69.Ke3 Ke1 70.Qe2# 1-0 (70) Lunaticxxx (2875)-Sina Iran (2745) Blitz 2021;

B4a12) 13.Nb5 Qxa2+ 0-1 (13) Serendipper (2828)-Loin Sn (2804) Blitz 2022;

B4a13) 13.h5

B4a131) 13...Nxh5 14.Bxg7 Nxg7 15.Qh6 Nh5 16.g4 Nf6 17.Bd3 Rec8 18.g5 Nh5 19.Rxh5 *(19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Rxh5 gxh5 21.e5 Bxd5 22.Qxh7+* 1-0 (22) Vistagausta (2859)-Workmouse1 (2756) Blitz 2025*)* 19...gxh5 20.e5 Qxe5 21.Bxh7+ Kh8 22.Be4+ Kg8 23.g6 f5 24.Nd5 Qg7 25.Nxe7+ Kf8 26.Qxg7+ Kxg7 27.Bxb7 Re8 28.Bxa8 Rxe7 29.f4 d5 30.Rg1 Rc7 31.c3 Kf6 32.Kc2 Rc4 33.g7 Bg8 34.Bxd5 Bxd5 35.g8Q Bxg8 36.Rxg8 Rxf4 37.Kd3 Rf2 38.b4 Rxa2 39.c4 h4 40.c5 h3 41.Rh8 h2 42.c6 Ke7 43.c7 h1Q 44.Rxh1 Kd7 45.Rh7+

Kc8 46.Rf7 f4 47.Rxf4 Kxc7 48.Kc3 Rh2 49.Kb3 Kb6 50.Rc4 Rh3+ 51.Rc3 Rh6 52.Ka4 a6 53.Rc5 Rd6 54.Rc4 Rd1 55.Kb3 Rb1+ 56.Kc2 Rg1 57.Kb3 Rg3+ 58.Rc3 Rg5 59.Rc4 Kb5 60.Rc2 Rg4 61.Rc5+ Kb6 62.Rc4 Rg1 63.Rc3 a5 64.bxa5+ Kxa5 65.Kc2 Kb4 66.Rd3 Rg2+ 67.Rd2 Rg4 68.Rd3 Kc4 69.Rd2 Rg3 70.Kd1 Kc3 71.Rf2 Rg1+ 72.Ke2 Ra1 73.Kf3 Kd4 74.Kg2 Ke4 75.Rf3 Ra2+ 76.Rf2 Ra8 77.Kg3 Rg8+ 78.Kh2 Ke3 79.Rg2 Rh8+ 80.Kg1 Kf3 81.Rg3+ Kxg3 0-1 (81)

Vistagausta (2862)-Workmouse1 (2753) Blitz 2025;

B4a132) 13...Rec8

B4a1321) 14.a3 Nxh5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 *(15...Nxg7 16.Qh6 Nh5 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 Nf6 19.g4 Rxc2 20.Kxc2 Qa4+ 21.Kd2 Qd4+ 22.Bd3 Qxb2+ 23.Ke1 Qe5+ 24.Kf1 Qxd5 25.Kg2 Qe5 26.g5 Qb2+ 27.Kf1 Qb3 28.Rd2 Rc8 29.gxf6 Rc1+ 30.Kf2 Qb6+ 31.Kg2 Rxh1 32.Qg7#* 1-0 (32)

Mrdalica (2842)-Workmouse1 (2800) Blitz 2025*)* 16.g4 Rxc3 17.gxh5 Rc5 18.Qd4+ f6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Bd3 Rh5 21.f4 Qc5 22.Qa4 Qa5 23.Qd4 Qc5 24.Qa4 Qa5 25.Qxa5 Rxa5 26.Rdg1 Bf7 27.e5 fxe5 28.f5 d5 29.fxg6 Bg8 30.Rh5 Rf8 31.Rxe5 e6 32.Rh5 Rc5 33.b4 Rcc8 34.Kb2 Rce8 35.Rgg5 Rf3 36.a4 Re3 37.Kc3 e5 38.Kd2 d4 39.Bf5 Rf3 40.Be4 Rf2+ 41.Kc1 Rf4 42.Bxb7 e4 43.Bc6 Re7 44.Bd5 e3 45.Bxg8 Kxg8 46.Re5 Re4 47.Rxe7 Rxe7 48.Kd1 Kg7 49.Rd5 Kxg6 50.Rxd4 e2+ 51.Ke1 Kf5 52.Rd2 Re4 53.c3 Re3 54.Rxe2 Rxc3 55.Kd2 Rc4 56.Kd3 Rxb4 57.a5 Rb5 58.Kc4 Rxa5 59.Kb4 Ra1 60.Re3 Rb1+ 61.Rb3 Ra1 62.Ra3 Rxa3 63.Kxa3 Ke6 64.Ka4 Kd7 65.Ka5 Kc7 66.Ka6 Kb8 67.Kb5 Kb7 68.Ka5 a6 69.Ka4 Ka7

70.Kb4 Kb6 71.Ka4 Kc6 72.Ka3 Kb7 73.Kb3 Kb6 0-1 (73) Mikegscarn (2853)-Niper13 (2677) Blitz 2021;

B4a1322) 14.hxg6

B4a13221)

14...fxg6 15.a3 Rab8

B4a132211)

16.Qe1 b5 17.e5 b4 18.exf6 Bf7 19.Nb5 exf6 20.Qxb4 Qd8 21.Qxd6 Qe8 22.Nc3 Rc6 23.Qh2 Qc8 24.Qxh7+ Kf8 25.Bb5 Rxc3 26.Bxc3 Rxb5 27.Bb4+ Rxb4 28.axb4 f5 29.Qh4 Qe6 30.Qd8+ 1 - 0 (3 0) Medarde94 (2842)-Sina Iran (2779) Blitz 2021;

B4a132212)

16.Be2 b5 17.Qg5 Bf7 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.Bxf6 b4 20.Rxd5 Qc7 21.Bxg7 Qxc2+ 22.Ka1 bxa3 23.Rd2 Qa4 24.b3 Qxb3 25.Qh6 Kf7 26.Qxh7 Ke6 27.Qxg6+ Kd7 28.Qf5+ Kc7 29.Rc1+ Kd8 30.Rxd6+ Ke8 31.Rxc8+ Rxc8 32.Qxc8+ Kf7 33.Bc4+ Qxc4 34.Qxc4+ Ke8 35.Qg8# 1 - 0 (3 5) Adamsinkuarejma (2840)-Niper13 (2683) Blitz 2021;

B4a132213)

16.Bd3

B4a1322131)

16...Bf7

B4a13221311)

17.Qf2 b5 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 b4 20.Qe1 Qxd5 21.Ba6 Qf5 22.Bxc8 Rxc8 23.Qxe7 Qxc2+ 24.Ka1 bxa3 25.Qe6+ *(25.bxa3 Qb3 26.Qxd6 Rc2* 0-1 (26) Sirjohn13 (2826)-Sina Iran (2825) Blitz 2021*)* 25...Kf8 26.bxa3 Qa4 27.Qxc8+ 1-0 (27) Sirjohn13 (2827)-Sina Iran (2825) Blitz 2021;

B4a13221312)

17.g4 e5 18.Be3 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Ne4 Qxd2 21.Bxd2 Nf4 22.Bxf4 exf4 23.Ng5 h6 24.Nxf7 Kxf7 25.Be4 Rd8 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Bxb7 Rb8 28.Bd5+ Kf8 29.b3 Rd8 30.Be4 g5 31.b4 Rc8 32.Rd1

Ke7 33.Rd5 Rc7 34.a4 Rc3 35.Ka2 Rc4 36.Rb5 Bd4 37.Bd3 Rc3 38.Rd5 Be3 39.a5 Ke6 40.Rd8 Rc7 41.Kb3 Bd2 1 - 0 (4 1) Brittabagels (2831)-Econpower (2621) Blitz 2023;

B4a1322132)

16...b5 17.Qg5 Bf7 18.Nd5

B4a13221321)

18...Qd8 19.Qh4 *(19.Qd2 a5 20.Nxf6+ exf6 21.g4 b4 22.a4 b3 23.cxb3 Rxb3 24.Qh2 h6 25.g5 hxg5 26.Qh7+ Kf8 27.Bc2 Rxc2 28.Kxc2 Qd7 29.Kb1 Qxa4 30.Qh3 Rb8 31.Qd7 Qxd7 32.Rh7 Qe6 33.Bc5 dxc5 34.Rd3 Qa2+ 35.Kc1 Qxb2+ 36.Kd1 c4 37.Ke1 cxd3 38.Rh8+ Bxh8 39.Kd1 Qc2+ 40.Ke1 Qe2#* 0-1 (40) Sirjohn13 (2812)-Sina Iran (2849) Blitz 2021*)* 19...e5 *(19...h6 20.g4 e5 21.Bxa7 Rb7 22.Be3 g5 23.Qf2 Nxd5 24.exd5 Qa5 25.c3 Rc4 26.Bxc4 bxc4 27.Ka1 Bg6 28.Bc1 Rb3 29.Qe2 Qa4 30.Rh2 Rb8 31.Rdh1 Bd3 32.Qd2 e4 33.Rxh6 e3 34.Qxe3 Re8 35.Qxg5 Qc2 36.Rh8+ Kf7 37.Qf4+ Bf6 38.Be3 Rxh8 39.Rc1 Qh2 40.Qxh2 Rxh2 41.g5 Be5 42.f4 Bg7 43.a4* 0 - 1 (4 3) Goodgoodchess (2814)-Loin Sn (2980) Blitz 2025*)* 20.Nxf6+ Bxf6 21.Qxh7+ Kf8 22.f4 Qe7 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.Rhf1 exd4 25.e5 Ba2+ 26.Kxa2 Qxh7 27.Rxf6+ Ke7 28.Bxg6 Qg8+ 29.Kb1 Rb6 30.Rdf1 Rxf6 31.exf6+ Kf8 32.Bd3 Qxg2 33.Rf5 a6 34.Rh5 Re8 35.b3 Re1+ 36.Kb2 Qc6 0-1 (36) Okriak (2832)-Loin Sn (2839) Blitz 2022;

B4a13221322)

18...Bxd5 19.exd5 b4 20.Rxh7 Kxh7 21.Qxg6+ Kg8

22.Rh1 bxa3
23.Bxf6 Rxb2+
24.Ka1 Ra2+
25.Kxa2 Qxd5+
26.c4 1-0 (26) Mikegscarn (2838)-Niper13 (2693) Blitz 2021;

B4a132214)

16.Bxf6 Bxf6
17.Nd5 Qxd2
18.Nxf6+ Kf7
19.Rxh7+ Kxf6
20.Rxd2 Rh8
21.Rxh8 Rxh8
22.Kc1 Ke5 23.g3 g5 24.Rf2 Rf8
25.Kd2 g4 26.f4+ Kxe4 27.Bd3+ Kd4
28.Re2 Rf6 29.b4 Kd5 30.Bb5 a6
31.Ba4 Bf5
32.Rxe7 Rh6
33.Rxb7 Rh2+
34.Kc3 Rg2
35.Bb3+ Kc6
36.Ra7 Rxg3+
37.Kd4 Kb6
38.Rf7 Bc8 39.Rf6 Kc7 40.Rf7+ Kb6
41.Rg7 Rf3
42.Ke4 Bb7+
43.Bd5 Bxd5+
44.Kxd5 Rxf4
45.c4 a5 46.Rg6 axb4 47.axb4 Kc7
48.Rg5 Kb6
49.Rg7 Ka6
50.Rd7 Rf6
51.Kc6 Rg6
52.Rd8 Ka7
53.Rd7+ Kb8
54.Rd8+ Ka7
55.Rd7+ Ka6
56.Rd8 d5+
57.Kxd5 g3
58.Ra8+ Kb7
59.Ra1 g2 60.Rg1 Rb6 61.c5 Rg6
62.Rxg2 Rxg2
63.Kc4 Rg4+
64.Kd5 Rg3
65.c6+ Kc7 66.b5 Kb6 67.Kd6 Rd3+
68.Ke7 Rb3
69.Kd7 Rxb5
70.c7 Rc5 71.Kc8 Rd5 72.Kb8 Rc5
73.c8Q Re5
74.Qc7+ Kb5
75.Qxe5+ Kb4
76.Qd6+ Ka4
77.Qd5 Ka3
78.Qd4 Ka2
79.Qd3 Ka1
80.Qd2 1-0 (80) Mothandtheflame (2837)-Loin Sn (2826) Blitz 2022;

B4a132215)

16.Qe3 Bf7
(16...b5 17.e5 b4 18.exf6 bxc3 19.Qxe6+ 1-0 (19) Vistagausta (2857)-Econpower (2649) Blitz 2023*)* 17.e5 Nd5 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.c4 Qe6
(19...Rxc4 20.Bxc4 Qxc4 21.b3 Qb5 22.e6 Qf5+ 23.Kb2 Bxe6 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Qh6+ Kf7

26.Qxh7+ Kf6
27.Qh4+ Kf7
28.Qd4 Rg8
29.Rde1 g5 30.g4 Qg6 31.f4 gxf4
32.Rhf1 Ke8
33.Rxf4 b6
34.Rfe4 Bd7
35.Rxe7+ Kd8
36.R7e4 Rf8
37.Rf4 Rg8 38.Rf6 Qxg4 39.Rxd6 Qxd4+ 40.Rxd4 Rg2+ 41.Kc3 Rg3+ 42.Rd3 Rg7
43.Red1 Kc7
44.a4 Bc6 45.Kb4 a6 46.Rd4 a5+
47.Ka3 Rg3
48.Rc4 Kb7
49.Rd6 Bg2
50.Rd7+ Kb8
51.Rh4 Rg8
52.Rh6 Kc8
53.Ra7 Kb8
54.Re7 Kc8
55.Rxb6 Rg5
56.Rb5 Rxb5
57.axb5 Bf3
58.Ka4 Bd1
59.Kxa5 Bxb3
60.Kb6 Kd8
61.Rc7 Bd5
62.Rc5 Bf3 63.Ka7 Kd7 64.b6 Kd6
65.Rc3 Be4 66.b7 Bxb7 67.Kxb7 Kd5
68.Kb6 1-0 (68)
Vistagausta (2854)-Workmouse1 (2761) Blitz 2025)
20.exd6 Qxe3
21.Bxe3 exd6
22.Bxa7 Ra8
23.Bd4 Rc6
24.Bxg7 Kxg7
25.Rh4 Ra4
26.Rhd4 Bxc4
27.Bxc4 Raxc4
28.Rxc4 Rxc4
29.Rxd6 Rc7
30.a4 h5 31.Ka2 Kh6 32.Ka3 Kg5
33.a5 Rg7 34.g3 Re7 35.Rd5+ Kf6
36.Rd3 g5 37.b4 h4 38.gxh4 gxh4
39.f4 Kf5 40.Ka4 Rh7 41.b5 Rh6
42.b6 h3 43.Rd1 h2 44.Rh1 Kxf4
45.a6 Rxb6
46.Rxh2 Rxa6+
47.Kb5 Ke5
48.Rh7 Ra1
49.Rxb7 Rb1+
50.Kc6 Rxb7
51.Kxb7
½ - ½ (51)
Vistagausta (2867)-Loin Sn (2922) Blitz 2025;
B4a13222)
14...hxg6
B4a132221) 15.a3
Rab8
B4a1322211)
16.Bd3 b5 17.Qg5
B4a13222111)
17...a6 18.Rh4
Qc7 *(18...Kf8 19.Rdh1 Ke8 20.f4 Nxe4 21.Bxe4 Bxd4 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5 Bf6 24.Rh7 Rc4*

25.Qxf7+ Kd8
26.Rh8+ Bxh8
27.Rxh8+ Kd7
28.Rxb8 Qe1+
29.Ka2 Qxe4
30.Qe8+ Ke6
31.Qg8+ Kf5
32.Qf7+ Kg4
33.Rg8 Kg3
34.Rxg6+ Kf2
35.Re6 Qxc2
36.Qxe7 Rd4
37.Re1 Qc4+
38.Ka1 Qd3
39.Qh4+ Kxg2
40.Rh1 Kf3
41.Rh3+ Ke4
42.Qh7+ Kxf4
43.Rxd3 Re4
44.Rxd6 Re1+
45.Ka2 Re5
46.Qd3 Re4
47.Qd4 Rxd4
48.Rxd4+ Ke5
49.Rd7 Ke6
50.Ra7 Kd5
51.Rxa6 Kc5
52.Ra7 b4 53.Kb1 b3 54.a4 Kb4
55.Ra8 Kc5
56.Rb8 Kc6
57.Rb5 Kc7
58.Kc1 Kc6
59.Kd2 Kc7
60.Kc3 Kc6
61.Kxb3 Kc7
62.Kb4 Kc6 63.a5 Kc7 64.a6 Kc6 65.a7 Kd7 66.a8Q Ke6 67.Qa6+ Kf7 68.Rb7+ Ke8 69.Qa8#
1 - 0 (6 9)

Medarde94 (2835)-Yio05 (2595) Blitz 2021) 19.e5 dxe5 20.Bxe5 Qc5 21.Rdh1 b4 22.axb4 Rxb4 23.Bxf6 Rxb2+ 24.Kxb2 Qb6+ 25.Qb5 Qxb5+ 26.Nxb5 Bxf6+ 27.Nd4 Bd5 28.c3 Bxh4 29.Rxh4 a5 30.Nb5 Kg7 31.Ra4 Ra8 32.c4 Bc6 33.Be4 Bxe4 34.fxe4 Kf6 35.Kc3 Ke5 36.c5 Rc8 37.Kc4 Kxe4 38.Rxa5 Ke5 39.Ra7 Kf6 40.Rc7 Rh8 41.c6 g5 42.Rd7 Ke6 43.Nd4+ Kf6 44.c7 Rc8 45.Kd5 e5 46.Nb5 e4 47.Nd6 e3 48.Nxc8 e2 49.Re7 1-0 (49)

Vistagausta (2860)-Loin Sn (2929) Blitz 2025; **B4a13222112)** 17...Nh7 18.Rxh7 Kxh7 19.Rh1+ Kg8 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qh6+ Kf6 22.e5+ Kxe5 23.Qe3+
1 - 0 (2 3)

Vistagausta (2878)-Nguyen,D (2738) Blitz 2021; **B4a1322212)** 16.Be2 b5 17.Qg5

a6 18.Bd3 Bc4 19.Bxc4 Rxc4 20.Nd5 Qd8 21.Bxf6 exf6 22.Qh4 a5 23.Rh3 Rc5 24.Rdh1 Rxd5 25.Qh8+ 1 - 0 (2 5) Adamsinkuarejma (2 8 5 4) - Y i o 0 5 (2591) Blitz 2021;

B4a1322213)

16.g4 b5

B4a13222131)

17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Nxd5 19.exd5 Bxd5 20.Bxg7 Bxf3 21.Rh3 Bxg4 22.Rg3 Kxg7 23.Rxg4 f5 24.Rg5 Kf6 25.Rdg2 Rg8 26.Bd3 e6 27.Kc1 b4 28.a4 a5 29.Kd2 Rg7 30.Ke3 Rh8 31.Rg1 Rh4 32.R5g2 g5 33.Rf2 g4 34.Rg3 Rg5 35.Kd4 Ke7 36.Kc4 Rhh5 37.c3 d5+ 38.Kc5 bxc3 39.bxc3 Rh8 40.Kb6 Ra8 41.Bb5 Kd6 42.c4 dxc4 43.Bxc4 Rb8+ 44.Kxa5 f4+ 0-1 (44) Uralan77 (2894)-Warrior211 (2920) Blitz 2024;

B4a13222132)

17.g5 b4 *(17...Nh5 18.Bxg7 Nxg7 19.Na2 Bxa2+ 20.Kxa2 b4 21.Bd3 Nh5 22.f4 Qa4 23.f5 b3+ 24.cxb3 Qxb3+ 25.Ka1 Nf4 26.Bb1 Rc5 27.fxg6 fxg6 28.Ba2* 1-0 (28) Nowiamserious (2 8 2 5) - Y i o 0 5 (2601) Blitz 2024*)*

18.Nd5 *(18.Nb5 Nh5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qd4+ Kg8 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.Qxb4 Qxb4 23.axb4 a6 24.Nd4 Rxb4 25.Nxe6 fxe6 26.Bxa6 Rf8 27.Be2 Kg7 28.c3 Rb7 29.b4 Kg6 30.Rg1 h4 31.Kc2 h3 32.Rh1 Kxg5 33.Rxh3 e5 34.Kd3 Rc8 35.Rg3+ Kf6 36.Rg1 e6 37.Rb1 d5 38.Rb3 Kg5 39.Ke3 Rbc7 40.Kd2 Kf4 41.b5 dxe4 42.fxe4 Kxe4 43.b6 Rc5 44.Rb4+ Kd5 45.c4+ Kd4 46.b7 Rb8 47.Rb6 e4 48.Bg4 Rxc4 49.Bxe6 e3+ 50.Kd1 Rc7 51.Bc8 Kd3 52.Rd6+ Ke4 53.Ke2 Ke5*

54.Ke1 Kxd6
55.Ke2 Rbxc8
56.Kxe3 Rb8
0-1 (56) Sapphire Phoenix (2809)-Bulletcoach (2694) Blitz 2023*)*
18...Nxd5 19.exd5 *(19.Bxg7 Nc3+*
20.Kc1 Kxg7
21.Qd4+ f6
22.gxf6+ exf6
23.bxc3 bxc3
24.Rd3 Rb1+
25.Kxb1 Qxa3
26.Rxc3 Rxc3
27.Bd3 Ba2+
28.Ka1 Bb3+
29.Kb1 Qa2+
30.Kc1 Rxc2+
31.Kd1 Rc4+
32.Ke1 Rxd4
0-1 (32) Geliochess (2813)-Bulletcoach (2724) Blitz 2024*)* 19...Bf5 20.Qh2 f6 21.gxf6 exf6 22.Bd3 Qxd5 23.Be4 Qe6 24.Rdg1 g5 25.Re1 bxa3 26.Bxf5 Qxf5 27.Re7 Re8 28.Qxd6 Rxe7 29.Qxb8+ Kf7 30.Qb3+ Qe6 31.Qxa3 a6 32.Bc3 Rd7 33.Re1 Qd5 34.Qxa6 Kg6 35.Qe2 Bf8 36.Qe8+ Rf7 37.f4 g4 38.Rg1 Qf5 39.Qe2 Re7 40.Rxg4+ Kf7 41.Qc4+ Qe6 42.Qxe6+ Kxe6 43.Rg6 Rf7 44.Rg1 Kf5 45.Rf1 Bh6 46.Bd2 Rd7 47.Bc1 Re7 48.c3 Re4 49.Kc2 Kg4 50.Kd3 f5 51.b4 Bf8 52.b5 Bc5 53.Bd2 Kg3 54.Rb1 Re8 55.c4 Rd8+ 56.Kc2 Kf3 57.Bc1 Ke4 58.Rb3 Bd4 59.Rd3 Rc8 60.Rd2 Rxc4+ 61.Kd1 Rc3 62.Re2+ Kd3 63.Rd2+ Kc4 64.Rc2 1-0 (64) Fandorine96 (2869)-Loin Sn (2899) Blitz 2025; **B4a13222133)**
17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nd5 Qxd2 19.Nxf6+ Kg7 20.Rxd2 Kxf6 21.Rf2 a5 22.Kc1 b4 23.axb4 axb4 24.Kd2 g5 25.Rh5 Rh8 26.Rfh2 Rxh5 27.Rxh5 Ra8 28.Bd3 Ra2 29.Kc1 Ra1+ 30.Kd2 Rb1 31.b3 Ra1 32.Rh8 Ke5 33.Ke3 Re1+ 34.Kf2 Rc1 35.Ke3 Re1+ 36.Kd2 Rg1 37.Ke3 Rg3

38.Kf2 Kf4 39.Be2 d5 40.Rb8 Rh3 41.Kg2 Rh6 42.Rxb4 Ke3 43.Bd3 d4 44.Rb5 Rf6 45.Rxg5 Rxf3 46.b4 Kf4 47.Rg7 Rg3+ 48.Kf2 Rh3 49.Kg2 Rg3+ 50.Kf2 Rxg4 51.Rxg4+ Bxg4 52.b5 Bc8 53.b6 Bb7 54.Ke2 Ke5 55.Kd2 Kd6 56.c3 Kc5 57.cxd4+ Kxd4 58.Ke2 e5 59.Kd2 Kc5 60.Ke3 Kxb6 61.Be2 Kc5 62.Bh5 f6 63.Bg6 Bc6 64.Bh5 Kd6 65.Be2 Bd7 66.Bf3 Be6 67.Be2 Bf7 68.Bf3 Be6 69.Be2 f5 70.Bf3 f4+ 0 - 1 (7 0) Mothandtheflame (2851)-Winx,M (2928) Blitz 2022; **B4a13222134)** 17.Qg5 **B4a132221341)** 17...Qc7 18.e5 Nd5 *(18...dxe5 19.Bxe5 Qc5 20.Bxf6 exf6 21.Qxc5 Rxc5 22.Ne4 Rc7 23.c3 a5 24.g5 fxg5 25.Nxg5 Bb3 26.Rc1 b4 27.cxb4 Ba2+ 28.Kxa2 Rxc1 29.b5 Rxb5 30.Bxb5 Rxh1 31.Bc4 Rh2 32.Kb3 Rxb2+ 33.Ka4 Rb7 34.Kxa5 Bd4 35.a4 Kg7 36.Ka6 Ra7+ 37.Kb5 Be3 38.Ne4 f5 39.Nd6 Bd2 40.Bd5 Ra5+* 0 - 1 (4 0) Elektromagnit (2821)-Brown Player (2878) Blitz 2021 *)* 19.exd6 Nxc3+ 20.Bxc3 exd6 21.Bd3 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Qxc3 23.Bxg6 b4 *(23...Kf8 24.Qh6+ Ke7 25.Rhe1 Qf6 26.Rxe6+ fxe6 27.Qh7+ Kf8 28.Rd4 Rc4 29.Qh6+ Qg7 30.Qf4+ Kg8 31.Qxd6 Qxd4 32.Qxb8+ Kg7 33.Bd3 Rc3 34.Qb7+ Kf6 35.Qxb5 Rxa3 36.g5+ Ke7 37.Qb7+ Qd7 38.Qb4+ Qd6 39.Qb7+ Kd8 40.g6 Rxd3 41.cxd3 Qxd3+ 42.Kb2 Qxg6 43.Qb8+ Ke7 44.Qxa7+ Kf6 45.Qe3 Qg2+ 46.Kc3 Qa2 47.Kd3 Qb3+ 48.Ke2 Qc2+*

49.Qd2 Qc4+ 50.Qd3 Qh4 51.Qe3 Ke7 52.Kd3 Qb4 53.f4 Qb3+ 54.Ke2 Qc2+ 55.Kf3 Qf5 56.Qe5 Qh3+ 57.Ke4 Qg2+ 58.Ke3 Qg1+ 59.Ke4 Qe1+ 60.Kf3 Qf1+ 61.Ke4 Qb1+ 62.Kf3 Qb3+ 63.Kg4 Qd5 64.f5 Qxe5 65.f6+ Qxf6 0 - 1 (6 5) Medarde94 (2842)-Translation (2866) B l i t z 2 0 2 2*)* 24.Bxf7+ Kf8 25.Qg8+ Ke7 26.Qg5+ Kf8 27.Qg8+ Ke7 28.Qg5+ Kf8 ½-½ (28) Mrdalica (2845)-Bulletcoach (2732) Blitz 2025; **B4a132221342)** 17...Bc4 18.Bd3 e5 19.Bf2 b4 20.Bxc4 bxc3 21.Bb3 Rxb3 22.cxb3 c2+ 23.Ka2 cxd1Q 24.Rxd1 Rc2 25.Be1 Qc5 26.Rd2 Rc1 27.Bf2 Qb5 28.Rxd6 Qf1 29.Rd8+ Bf8 30.b4 Qc4+ 0-1 (30) Nevaljahka (2837)-Miguemosquera (2632) Blitz 2023; **B4a132221343)** 17...Rc5 18.Bxc5 b4 19.axb4 Rxb4 20.Bxb4 Qxg5 21.Bb5 Qe3 22.Rd3 Qb6 23.Ba3 a6 24.Ba4 Bc4 25.Rdd1 Nxg4 26.Nd5 Bxd5 27.Rxd5 Ne3 28.Rd3 Nc4 29.Bb3 Nxa3+ 30.bxa3 Qc5 31.f4 Kf8 32.e5 a5 33.a4 Qb4 34.Rf1 Ke8 35.Ka2 dxe5 36.fxe5 f5 37.exf6 Bxf6 38.Rfd1 Qb6 39.Rd5 g5 40.Rb5 Qc7 41.Rdd5 Kf8 42.Rdc5 Qf4 43.Rc8+ Kg7 44.Rg8+ Kh7 45.Rd8 Qc1 46.Bg8+ Kg7 47.Kb3 Qb2+ 48.Kc4 Qxc2+ 49.Kd5 Qxa4 50.Kc6 Qc4+ 51.Kb6 Qxg8 52.Rxg8+ Kxg8 53.Kc5 Kf7 54.Kd5 Kg6 55.Ke4 Kh5 56.Rxa5 Kh4 57.Ra2 g4 58.Kf4 Bg5+ 59.Kf5 g3 60.Ra4+ Kh3 61.Kxg5 g2 62.Ra1 e5 0 - 1 (6 2) M r Alxumuk (2836)-Thebutchermio

(2781) Blitz 2023;
B4a132221344)
17...a6
B4a1322213441)
18.Bd3 Qc7
(18...Rb7 19.f4 Rbc7 20.f5 b4 21.axb4 Qxb4 22.fxe6 Qxd4 23.exf7+ Kf8 24.e5 Qxe5 25.Qxe5 dxe5 26.Bxg6 Nxg4 27.Ne4 Ne3 28.Ng5 Rc6 29.Nh7#
1-0 (29) Forgiants (2843)-Tiger Nad (2711) Blitz 2021;
18...Kf8 19.Rh4 Ke8 20.f4 Nh7 21.Rxh7 Bxd4 22.Bxb5+ Rxb5 23.Nxb5 Qxb5 24.Qxb5+ axb5 25.Rxd4 Bxg4 26.Rh8+ Kd7 27.Rxc8 Kxc8 28.Kc1 Kc7 29.Kd2 Kc6 30.Ke3 1-0 (30) Charmgame (2828)-Yio05 (2638) Blitz 2021*)*
19.e5 dxe5 20.Bxe5 Qc5 21.f4 b4 22.Bxb8 Qxg5 23.fxg5 Rxb8 24.gxf6 bxc3 25.fxe7 Bf6 26.b3 Bxe7 27.Rde1 Bxa3 28.Bxg6 Bxb3 29.Bh7+ Kg7 30.cxb3 Ra8 31.Ka2 1-0 (31) Medarde94 (2851)-Sina Iran (2770) Blitz 2021;
B4a1322213442)
18.f4 Rxc3 19.Bxc3 Qa4 20.Rd4 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 Qxe4 22.Qh4 Ba2+ 23.Ka1 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Qxh1 25.Qxh1 Be6 26.Qg2 Kf8 27.Bd3 Rc8 28.f5 gxf5 29.gxf5 Bc4 30.Be4 Rc5 31.Qf3 Kg7 32.Kb2 Re5 33.Qf4 f6 34.Bd3 Bf7 35.a4 bxa4 36.Qxa4 a5 37.Qd4 Be8 38.Qg4+ Kf8 39.Bc4 d5 40.Bd3 a4 41.Qb4 Re3 42.Ka3 Re5 43.Qd4 Bd7 44.Qc5 Be8 45.Qc7 Kf7 46.Qd8 Bc6 47.c4 Kg7 48.c5 d4 49.Qc7 Be8 50.Qd8 Bf7 51.Bc4 Rxc5 52.Kb4 Rxc4+ 53.Kb5 Rc5+ 54.Kb6 Rd5 55.Qxe7 Rd6+ 56.Qxd6 a3 57.Qc6 Kh6 58.Qa4 Kg5

59.Qxa3 Kf4
60.Qb3 Kg5
61.Qb4 Kxf5
62.Qc5+ Bd5
63.Qc6 Kf4
64.Qc7+
1-0 (64) Dmitrijiiigm (2824)-Loin Sn (2926) Blitz 2025;

B4a1322213443)
18.e5 b4 19.axb4 Qxb4 20.Nb5 Rxb5 21.Bxb5 Qxb5 22.Rde1 Qc4 23.Bc3 Nd5
0 - 1 (2 3) Medarde94 (2906)-Sina Iran (2780) Blitz 2021;

B4a132222)
15.Bxf6 Bxf6
16.Nd5 Qxd2
17.Nxf6+ Kg7
18.Rxd2 Kxf6
19.g3 Rh8
20.Rdh2 Rxh2
21.Rxh2 g5 22.c3 Rg8 23.Bd3 Ke5
24.Kc2 d5 25.Rh5 dxe4 26.Bxe4 b6
27.Bd3 Kd6 28.a4 Bd5 29.Be4 Bxe4+
30.fxe4 e6 31.Kd3 Ke5 32.Ke3 a5
33.Rh7 Kf6
34.Rh6+ Ke5
35.Rh7 Kf6
36.Rh6+ Ke7
37.e5 Rc8 38.Rh5 Rc4 39.Rxg5 Rxa4
40.Rh5 Ra2
41.Rh2 a4 42.Rd2 a3 43.bxa3 Rxa3
44.Kd4 Ra4+
45.Ke3 Rc4
46.Kd3 Rc5
47.Rb2 Rxe5
48.Rxb6 Rg5
49.c4 Rxg3+
50.Kd4 Rg4+
51.Kc5 f5 52.Kb5 Rg2 53.c5 Rb2+
54.Kc6 Rc2
55.Rb7+ Kf6
56.Rb8 f4 57.Kd6 Rd2+ 58.Kc7 e5
59.Re8 Kf5 60.c6 f3 61.Kb7 Rb2+
62.Ka7 Rc2
63.Kb7 e4 64.c7 Kf4 65.Rf8+ Ke3
66.c8Q Rxc8
67.Kxc8 f2 68.Kd7 Ke2 0-1 (68) Anythingbutaverage (2934)-Loin Sn (2869) Blitz 2025;

B4a2) 12.a3 Qa5 13.g4 Rec8 14.h4 Rab8 15.h5
(15.Nb5 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 a6 17.Nc3 b5 18.Ne2 Bc4 19.Ng3 Nd7 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.f4 Nc5 22.b3 Bxf1 23.Rxf1 a5 24.h5 b4 25.a4 Rc7 26.Re2 Rbc8 27.g5 Ne6 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Rh2 Rh8 30.Rxh8 Kxh8 31.Ne2 Kg7 32.Rf3 Nc5 33.Re3 e5 34.f5 Rc8 35.f6+ Kf8 36.Ng1 Ne6 37.Nf3 Ke8 38.Rd3 Kd7 39.Nxe5+ Kc7 40.Nxf7 Rf8 41.Nxd6 Nxg5 42.e5 Ne6 43.Nb5+ Kc8 44.Rd6 Re8 45.f7 Re7 46.Rxe6 Rxe6

47.f8Q+ Kd7 48.Qf7+ Re7 49.e6+ Kc6 50.Qxe7 g5 51.Qd7+ Kc5 52.Qd6# 1-0 (52) Maybenotit (2874)-Workmouse1 (2804) Blitz 2025; *15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxd2 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 Rc5 19.Be2 Rbc8 20.c3 Bc4 21.Bd1 Kg7 22.Rh2 R8c6 23.Rhd2 h5 24.g5 Be6 25.Bc2 a5 26.f4 Bg4 27.Bb3 e5 28.fxe5 dxe5 29.Rd8 Rc8 30.Rxc8 Rxc8 31.Rf2 Be6 32.Bxe6 fxe6 33.Kc2 Rc6 34.Rd2 Kf8 35.Rf2+ Kg7 36.b3 b5 37.Rf1 a4 38.b4 Rc4 39.Kd3 Rc7 40.Rf6 Rd7+ 41.Ke3 Rc7 42.Kd2 Rd7+ 43.Kc2 Rd6 44.Rf3 Rc6 45.Rd3 Rc4 46.Rd7+ Kf8 47.Kd3 Rc8 48.Kd2 Rc4 49.Kd3 Rc8 50.Rb7 Rd8+ 51.Kc2* 1-0 (51) Timetrave1 (2871)-Miguemosquera (2674) Blitz 2023 *)* 15...b5

B4a21) 16.Bxf6 Bxf6 17.Nd5 b4 18.axb4 Bxd5 19.bxa5 Rxb2+ 20.Kc1 Bb3 21.Bd3 Ra2 22.Qb4 Bxc2 23.Bxc2 Rcxc2+ 24.Kb1 Rcb2+ 25.Qxb2 Rxb2+ 26.Kc1 Rb5 27.Rd5 Rb3 28.Rh3 Be5 29.Kc2 Rb2+ 30.Kd1 f6 31.Rd2 Rb1+ 32.Ke2 Rb5 33.Rc2 g5 34.Rc8+ Kf7 35.h6 Rxa5 36.Rh8 Ra2+ 37.Kd3 Ra3+ 38.Kc4 Rc3+ 39.Kb5 Rb3+ 40.Ka6 Rb6+ 41.Kxa7 Rb1 42.Rxh7+ Ke6 43.Rg7 Bd4+ 44.Ka6 Ra1+ 45.Kb5 Rb1+ 46.Kc4 Be5 47.Kd3 Rc1 48.Ke2 Rc2+ 49.Kd1 Rc3 0-1 (49) Negocia (2894)-Punchen (2735) Blitz 2025;

B4a22) 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qg5 *(17.g5 b4 18.Na2 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 bxa3 21.b3 Rxc2 22.Kxc2 Bxb3+ 23.Kc1 Qxg5+ 24.Rd2 Bxa2 25.Bc4+ Bxc4 26.Qxc4+ Kg7 27.Qc3+ Kg8 28.Qc4+ Kg7 29.Qc3+ Kg8 30.Qxa3 Rc8+ 31.Kd1 Qg4+ 32.Re2 Rc4 33.Qb3 Qe6 34.Qb8+ Rc8 35.Qb2 Qc4 36.Rc2 Qd3+ 37.Kc1 Qe3+ 38.Kb1 Qxe4 39.Rhc1 Rc5 40.Qb3+ Kg7 41.Kb2 Qe5+ 42.Rc3 Rb5 43.R1c2 Rxb3+ 44.Kxb3 a5 45.Ka3 Qb5 46.Re3 Qb4+ 47.Ka2 e5 48.Rb3 Qe4 49.Kb2 d5 50.Rc7+ Kh6 51.Rbb7 Kg5 52.Rxh7 a4 53.Ka3 d4 54.Rhd7 d3 55.Rb4 Qe3 56.Rb2 d2+ 57.Ka2 e4 58.Rdxd2 a3 59.Rg2+ Kf4 60.Rbe2 Qf3 61.Rgf2 e3 62.Rh2 Qxe2+ 63.Rxe2 Kf3 64.Rh2 e2 65.Rh3+ Kf2 66.Rh2+ Kf1 67.Rh1+* 1-0 (67) Elektromagnit

(2862)-Loin Sn (2835) Blitz 2022; *17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Bxd5 19.exd5 b4 20.axb4 Rxb4 21.c3 Rb3 22.Rdh2 a5 23.Ka2 a4 24.Bd3 Rcb8 25.Bc4 R3b7 26.Ba6 Rb3 27.Re1 Kf8 28.Rhe2 a3 29.bxa3 Nxd5 30.Bc4 Bxd4* 0-1 (30) Mothandtheflame (2833)-Loin Sn (2799) Blitz 2022; *17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nd5 Qxd2 19.Nxf6+ Kf7 20.Rxd2 Kxf6 21.Rxh7 a5 22.f4 g5 23.Rh6+ Kf7 24.fxg5 Bxg4 25.e5 dxe5 26.Bd3 b4 27.g6+ Kg7 28.Rh7+ Kf6 29.Rg2 Be6 30.axb4 Rxb4 31.g7 e4 32.Be2 Rg8 33.Rh6+ Ke5 34.c3 Rbb8 35.Rg5+ Bf5 36.Bg4 e6 37.Rhh5 e3+ 38.Bxf5 exf5 39.Rxf5+ Ke4 40.Re5+ Kf4 41.Rhf5+ Kg4 42.Rf7 a4 43.Ka2 a3 44.Kxa3 Ra8+ 45.Kb3 Rgb8+ 46.Kc4 Rxb2 47.Rf8 Ra4+ 48.Kd3* 1-0 (48) Anuar Is (2812)-Loin Sn (2799) Blitz 2022) 17...Bf7 *(17...Qc7 18.e5 b4 19.axb4 Rxb4 20.exf6 Bxf6 21.Bxf6 exf6 22.Qxf6 Bf7 23.Kc1 Qb6 24.Qxd6 Qe3+ 25.Qd2 Rxc3 26.bxc3* 1-0 (26) Elektromagnit (2846)-Nguyen,D (2698) Blitz 2021 *)*

B4a221) 18.Bd3 e5 19.Be3 Rxc3 *(19...b4 20.Na2 bxa3 21.b3 Bxb3 22.cxb3 Rxb3+ 23.Ka1 Rb2 24.Rc1 Rcb8 25.Bc4+ d5 26.exd5 e4 27.Bd4 Qd8 28.d6+ Kf8 29.d7 Nxd7 30.Bxg7+ Kxg7 31.Qh6+ Kf6 32.Qf4+ Kg7 33.Qf7+* 1-0 (33) Pionulcel Viteaz (2823)-Niper13 (2645) Blitz 2022) 20.bxc3 Qxa3 21.Rh2 Ba2+ 22.Ka1 Be6+ 23.Kb1 Rc8 24.Bf1 Ba2+ 25.Ka1 Bb3+ 26.Kb1 Rxc3 27.Bd3 Ba2+ 28.Ka1 Bf7+ 29.Kb1 Qb4+ 30.Kc1 Ra3 31.c4 Qc3+ 32.Rc2 Ra1# 0-1 (32) Neverstop93 (2869)-Niper13 (2668) Blitz 2023;

B4a222) 18.e5 b4 19.axb4 Qxb4 20.Kc1 Qxb2+ 21.Kd2 Rb4 22.Ne2 Rxd4+ 23.Nxd4 Qxd4+ 24.Ke1 Qc3+ 25.Kf2 Qxc2+ 26.Be2 Qc5+ 27.Kg2 Qxe5 28.Qxe5 dxe5 29.Rc1 Rxc1 30.Rxc1 h5 31.Rc7 hxg4 32.fxg4 Nd5 33.Rxa7 Nf4+ 34.Kf1 Bf6 35.Bf3 Kg7 36.Be4 Kh6 37.Kf2 Kg5 38.Kg3 Be6 39.Bf3 Bc4 40.Ra5 Be6 41.Rb5 Kh6

42.Ra5 Bc4 43.Be4 Ne2+ 44.Kf3 Kg5 45.Rc5 Nd4+ 46.Kg3 Be6 47.Ra5 Bxg4 48.Bxg6 Ne2+ 49.Kf2 Kxg6 50.Ra8 Kf5 51.Rg8 Nf4 52.Ra8 e4 53.Ke3 Ng2+ 54.Kf2 Nf4 55.Ra5+ e5 56.Ke3 Bg5 57.Kf2 Nd3+ 58.Kg3 Bf4+ 59.Kg2 Bf3+ 60.Kh3 e3 0-1 (60) Elektromagnit (2856)-Sina Iran (2818) Blitz 2021;

B4a223) 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.Bxf6 b4 *(19...Rc5 20.exd5 exf6 21.Qe3 b4 22.Qe6+ Kf8 23.Qxd6+ Kf7 24.Qxb8 bxa3 25.b4 a2+ 26.Kb2 f5+ 27.c3 Bxc3+ 28.Kb3 a1Q 29.Rxh7+ Kf6 30.Qd6+ Kg5 31.f4+ Kxg4 32.Qxg6+ Kf3 33.Rh3+ Ke4 34.Bg2+ Kxf4 35.Qg3#* 1-0 (35) Medarde94 (2843)-Sina Iran (2821) Blitz 2021*)* 20.Rxd5 exf6 21.Qh4 Qc7 22.Bd3 bxa3 23.Qxh7+ Kf7 24.e5 Rxb2+ 25.Ka1 Qc3 26.Qxg6+ Kf8 27.e6 Rb1+ 0-1 (27) Mikegscarn (2843)-Niper13 (2688) Blitz 2021;

B4a224) 18.Be2 e5 19.Bf2 b4 20.Nd5 Nxd5 21.exd5 bxa3 22.b3 Qc3 23.Qc1 Rxb3+ 24.cxb3 Qxb3+ 0-1 (24) Elektromagnit (2810)-Niper13 (2681) Blitz 2021;

B4a225) 18.f4 e5 19.fxe5 b4 0-1 (19) Cutemouse83 (2887)-Loin Sn (2747) Blitz 2022;

B4a23) 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Rxd2 Bxd4 19.Rxd4

B4a231) 19...g5 20.h6 f6 21.c3 *(21.Be2 Rc5 22.c3 Kf7 23.Kc2 a5 24.Kd2 Bc4 25.b4 axb4 26.axb4 Rc7 27.Bxc4+ bxc4 28.Ra1 Kg6 29.Rd5 Kxh6 30.Ke3 Kg6 31.Kd4 h5 32.gxh5+ Kxh5 33.Rda5 Rbb7 34.Ra8 Kg6 35.Rf8 Kg7 36.Raa8 Rb5 37.Rfc8 e5+ 38.Ke3 Rd7 39.Rxc4 d5 40.Rc5 d4+ 41.Kd3 dxc3+ 42.Kxc3 Rbb7 43.Rac8 Kg6 44.b5 g4 45.fxg4 Kg5 46.R8c6 Rf7 47.b6 Kxg4 48.Kb4 Kf4 49.Rc4 f5 50.exf5+ Kxf5 51.Kb5 e4 52.R6c5+ Kf4 53.Ka6 Kf3 54.Re5 e3 55.Rc3 Kf4 56.Rexe3 Kg5 57.Rg3+ Kh6 58.Rh3+ Kg7 59.Rcg3+ Kf8 60.Rf3* 1-0 (60) Elektromagnit

(2827)-Sina Iran (2805) Blitz 2021) 21...a5 22.Be2 Rc5 23.Rc1 b4 24.cxb4 axb4 25.Rxb4 Rxb4 26.Rxc5 dxc5 27.axb4 cxb4 28.e5 f5 29.Kc2 Kf7 30.gxf5 Bxf5+ 31.Kb3 Kg6 32.Kxb4 Kxh6 33.Kc5 Kg7 34.b4 h5 35.b5 h4 36.b6 Bc8 37.f4 Bb7 38.f5 h3 0-1 (38) Elektromagnit (2843)-Sina Iran (2762) Blitz 2022;

B4a232) 19...a5 20.c3 Kg7 21.g5 gxh5 22.Rxh5 Kg6 23.Rh6+ Kxg5 24.Rxh7 Kf4 25.Be2 Ke3 26.Bd1 b4 27.Kc2 bxc3 28.Rd3+ Kf4 29.Rxc3 Rg8 30.Rh4+ Kg3 31.Rh1 Kf4 32.Rh2 Rg1 33.Rd2 Rb7 34.Be2 a4 35.Bc4 Bxc4 36.Rxc4 Ra7 37.Rdd4 Rg2+ 38.Kc3 Rb7 39.Rb4 Rc7+ 40.Rdc4 Rxc4+ 41.Rxc4 Kxf3 42.Rxa4 e6 43.Rd4 Re2 44.Rxd6 Kxe4 45.a4 Ke5 46.Rd8 f5 47.a5 Re1 48.b4 Ra1 49.Kb2 Ra4 50.Kb3 Ra1 51.Ra8 f4 52.a6 f3 53.Rf8 Rxa6 54.Rxf3 Kd4 55.Rf4+ Kd3 56.b5 Ra1 57.Rf3+ Ke4 58.Rf2 Kd5 59.Kb4 Rb1+ 60.Ka5 e5 61.Rd2+ Kc4 62.Rc2+ Kd4 63.b6 e4 64.Ka6 e3 65.b7 Kd3 66.Rh2 e2 67.Rxe2 Kxe2 68.Ka7 Ra1+ 69.Kb6 Rb1+ 70.Kc7 Kd3 71.b8Q Rxb8 72.Kxb8 ½ - ½ (72) Elektromagnit (2879)-Loin Sn (2759) Blitz 2022;

B4a24) 16.h6 Bh8

B4a241) 17.g5 b4 *(17...Ne8 18.Bxh8 Kxh8 19.Qd4+ Kg8 20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 b4 22.a4 Qxa4 23.Bc4 Rc5 24.Rhe1 Ra5 25.Kc1 Qd7 26.Kd2 Rc5 27.b3 Qf5 28.f4 Rc7 29.Bd3 Qg4 30.Re2 Rbb7 31.Rde1 a5 32.Ba6 Ra7 33.Bb5 Rc8 34.Rxe7 Rxe7 35.Rxe7* 1-0 (35) Realmadrid2007 (2884)-Loin Sn (2957) Blitz 2025) 18.Nb5 Rxb5 *(18...Ne8 19.Bxh8 Kxh8 20.Qxb4 Qxb4 21.axb4 a6 22.Nd4 Rxb4 23.Bxa6 Ra8 24.Be2 Nc7 25.b3 Ra5 26.Nc6* 1-0 (26) Elconceto (2878)-Econpower (2679) Blitz 2023) 19.Bxb5 Qxb5 20.gxf6 bxa3 21.fxe7 axb2 22.Bxh8 Rb8 23.e8Q+

Qxe8 24.Qd4 f6 25.Rd3 Qf7 26.Ra3 Kxh8 27.Rxa7 Qf8 28.Rd1 Rd8 29.Qxb2 Rb8 30.Rb7 Ra8 31.Rxd6 Ba2+ 32.Qxa2 Rxa2 33.Rdd7 Ra3 34.Rxh7+ Kg8 35.Rbg7+ Qxg7 36.Rxg7+ Kh8 37.Rxg6 Rxf3 38.Kb2 Kh7 39.Rg7+ Kxh6 40.Re7 Kg5 41.c3 Kf4 42.Kb3 Re3 43.Re6 Kg5 44.Kc4 Re1 45.Kd4 Rd1+ 46.Kc5 Re1 47.c4 Rc1 48.Re8 Kf4 49.Kd6 f5 50.exf5 Rxc4 51.Ke6 Re4+ 52.Kf7 Rxe8 53.Kxe8 Kxf5 ½-½ (53) Realmadrid2007 (2896)-Loin Sn (2931) Blitz 2025;

B4a242) 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Bxd5 19.exd5 Nd7 20.Bxh8 Kxh8 21.g5 b4 22.Bh3 Rc7 23.Bxd7 Rxd7 24.Re1 Kg8 25.Ka2 f6 26.f4 Kf7 27.Re4 bxa3 28.b3 Rc7 29.Kxa3 Rc3 30.Kb2 Rg3 31.Rde2 Rb7 32.gxf6 Kxf6 33.Re6+ Kf7 34.Rh2 a5 35.Re4 Rb4 36.Re1 Rf3 37.Rhe2 Rb7 38.Re4 Rh3 39.Ra4 Rb5 40.Rae4 Rb7 41.Ka3 Rxh6 42.Ra4 Rh2 43.Rc1 Rf2 44.Rxa5 Rxf4 45.c4 Rf3 46.Rb5 Ra7+ 47.Kb4 h5 48.Rh1 Rf4 49.Rb8 h4 50.Kb5 Ra3 51.b4 Rc3 52.c5 dxc5 53.bxc5 Rb3+ 54.Kc6 Rxb8 55.Kc7 Rfb4 56.c6 g5 57.Rf1+ Kg6 58.Re1 Re8 59.Kd7 Rbb8 60.c7 Rbc8 61.Re6+ Kh5 62.Re5 h3 63.Re2 Kh4 64.d6 g4 65.dxe7 Rxc7+ 66.Kxc7 Rxe7+ 67.Rxe7 h2 68.Rh7+ Kg3 69.Kd6 Kg2 70.Ke5 h1Q 71.Rxh1 Kxh1 72.Kf4 g3 73.Kxg3 ½-½ (73) Dr Mortimer (2880)-Nguyen,D (2683) Blitz 2021;

B4a243) 17.Bxf6 exf6 *(17...Bxf6 18.Nd5 b4 19.Nxf6+ exf6 20.Be2 bxa3 21.Qxa5 Rxb2+ 22.Ka1 Ra2+ 23.Kb1 Rb2+ 24.Ka1 Ra2+ 25.Kb1 Rb2+* ½-½ (25) Vistagausta (2897)-Translation (2849) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Nd5 Qd8 19.Nf4 *(19.Be2 a5 20.f4 b4 21.axb4 axb4 22.f5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5 Ra8 24.Bc4 Qc7 25.Bb3 Qa7 26.Kc1 Qe3+ 27.Kb1 Qa7 28.Kc1 Qe3+ 29.Kb1 Qa7 30.Qxf7+ Qxf7*

31.Bxf7+ Kxf7 32.Rxd6 Rc7 33.Rhd1 Rca7 34.Rd7+ Ke8 35.Rxa7 Rxa7 36.Rd4 Rb7 37.Ka2 b3+ 38.cxb3 gxf5 39.exf5 Ra7+ 40.Ra4 Re7 41.Ra8+ Kd7 42.Rxh8 Kd6 43.Rg8 Ra7+ 44.Kb1 Ke5 45.Rg7 Ra8 46.Rxh7 Kf4 47.Rg7 Rd8 48.h7 Rh8 49.b4 Ke5 50.b5 Kd6 51.b6 Kc6 52.b7 Rxh7 53.Rxh7 Kb6 54.Rf7 Kc5 55.Rxf6 Kd4 56.Re6 Kd3 57.b8Q Kd2 58.Qd6#
1-0 (58) Molt7N (2859)-Sina Iran (2796) Blitz 2021 *)* 19...Bc4 20.Qxd6 Qe8 21.Be2 f5 22.gxf5 Be5 23.Nd5 Bxd6 24.Nf6+ Kf8 25.Nxe8 Be5 26.Nd6 Bxe2 27.Nxc8 Bxd1 28.Rxd1 Rxc8 29.Rd5 Bf4 30.Rxb5 Bxh6 31.fxg6 fxg6 32.Rb7 Kg8 33.Rxa7 Bf4 34.c3 h5 35.Rd7 h4 36.Rd1 h3 37.Kc2 h2 38.a4 Kf7 39.Rh1 Kf6 40.a5 Kg5 41.b4 Kh4 42.b5 Rc5 43.c4 Rxc4+ 44.Kb3 Rc1 45.Rxh2+ Bxh2 46.b6 Ra1 47.Kb4 Bf4 48.Kb5 Kg3 49.a6 Kxf3 50.a7 Kxe4 51.Kc6 g5 52.Kb7 g4
0-1 (52) Sillymaster (2901)-Sina Iran (2831) Blitz 2022;

B4a3) 12.g4 Qa5 13.h4

B4a31) 13...Rec8 14.h5 *(14.Qg5 b5 15.Qxb5 Qc7 16.g5 Nxe4 17.fxe4 Rab8 18.Qd3 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Qxc3 20.Qxc3 Rxc3 21.Bd3 Rc5 22.b3 a5 23.Kb2 Kg7 24.Rc1 h6 25.gxh6+ Kxh6 26.c4 Kg7 27.Kc3 Rh5 28.Be2 Re5 29.Bf3 Rc5 30.Rcg1 Kf6 31.Kd4 Bd7 32.Bd1 Rh8 33.a3 Re5 34.Bf3 Rb8 35.Bd1 Rh8 36.Rh2 Bc6 37.Bf3 Rb8 38.Rb2 Rh8 39.Rh1 Kg7 40.b4 axb4 41.axb4 f5 42.Re2 g5 43.h5 g4 44.Bg2 f4 45.Ree1 f3 46.Bf1 Rhxh5 47.Rxh5 Rxh5 48.Ke3 Kf6 49.Kf4 Bd7 50.Rd1 Rh1 51.c5 dxc5 52.bxc5 Bb5 53.e5+ Kg7 54.Kxg4 Rxf1 55.Rd4 f2 56.Rf4 Rg1+*
0-1 (56) Banknotehouse (2849)-Econpower (2702) Blitz 2023*; 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Nxf6+ Kg7 17.Nh5+ gxh5 18.Rxd2 hxg4 19.fxg4 Bxg4 20.Rg1 h5 21.Be2 Kf6 22.Bxg4 hxg4 23.Rxg4 Rg8 24.Rdg2 Rxg4 25.Rxg4 Ke5 26.Kc1 e6 27.Kd2 Rh8 28.Ke3 f5 29.exf5 exf5 30.Rb4 b6 31.Kf3 d5 32.c3 Rh6 33.a4 a6 34.Kg3 Rg6+ 35.Kf2 f4 36.h5 Rh6 37.Kf3 Rxh5*

38.Rxb6 Rh3+ 39.Kg2 Rd3 40.Kf2 a5 41.Ke2 Rh3 42.b4 Rxc3 43.bxa5 Rc4 44.Rb8 Rxa4 45.Ra8 Ke4 46.Re8+ Kd4 47.Ra8 Ra3 48.a6 f3+ 49.Kf2 Ke4 50.a7 Ra2+ 51.Kg3 f2 52.Kg2 Kd3 53.Rd8 Rxa7 54.Rxd5+ Ke4 55.Rd8 Rf7 56.Re8+ Kd3 57.Kf1 ½-½ (57) Alexsur81 (2838)-S,L (2620) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Rxc3 15.Qxc3 Qxa2+ 16.Kc1 Bh6+ *(16...Qa1+ 17.Kd2 Qa4 18.Ke1 Rc8 19.Qd3 Rxc2 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Bc3 Nxg4 22.fxg4 Bxc3+ 23.bxc3 Bxg4 24.Qd4 Qxd4 25.Rxd4 Rxc3 26.e5 Re3+ 27.Kd2 Rg3 28.exd6 exd6 29.Rxd6 Bf3 30.Rh3 Rxh3 31.Bxh3 Bc6 32.Bd7 Be4 33.Ke3 f5 34.Rxg6+ Kf7 35.Rh6 a5 36.Kf4 Ke7 37.Bxf5 Bc6 38.Be4* Normal 1-0 (38) Pioneerzhangbeihai (2813)-Bulletcoach (2649) Blitz 2024*)* 17.Be3 Rc8 18.Qxc8+ Bxc8 19.Bxh6 Qa1+ 20.Kd2 Qxb2 21.Bd3 d5 22.Rb1 Qe5 23.g5 Nxh5 24.exd5 Qf4+ 25.Kc3 b6 26.Rhe1 Qd6 27.Ra1 a5 28.Kd2 Bf5 29.Bxf5 gxf5 30.Rab1 Nf4 31.Kc1 Nxd5 32.Rd1 Qf4+ 33.Rd2 e6 34.Rb3 a4 35.Rbd3 f6 36.Rd4 Qxf3 37.c4 Qc3+ 38.Kd1 Ne3+ 39.Ke2 Ng4 40.Rd7 fxg5 41.Rg7+ Qxg7 42.Bxg7 Kxg7 43.Rd6 Kf6 44.Rxb6 Ne5 45.c5 Nd7 46.Rb5 Ne5 47.Ra5 f4 48.Rxa4 h5 49.Ra6 f3+ 50.Ke3 g4 51.c6 Ke7 52.c7 Kd7 53.Rxe6 Nc4+ 54.Kf2 Kxc7 55.Rh6 Nd6 56.Rxh5 Ne4+ 57.Ke3 f2 58.Rf5 g3 59.Kxe4 g2 60.Rxf2 g1Q 61.Rc2+ Kd6 62.Kd3 Kd5 63.Re2 Qg3+ 64.Re3 Qg6+ 65.Ke2 Kd4 66.Rf3 Qc2+ 67.Kf1 Qh2 68.Rf2 Qh1+ 69.Ke2 Ke4 70.Kd2 Qh5 71.Re2+ Qxe2+ 72.Kxe2 ½-½ (72) Elektromagnit (2869)-Loin Sn (2828) Blitz 2022;

B4a32) 13...Rac8 14.a3 h5 15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Rg1 Rxc3 18.Qxc3+ Qxc3 19.bxc3 Rc8 20.Kb2 Nf4 21.Rd4 Kf6 22.a4 Rc5 23.Rg5 Rxg5 24.hxg5+ Kxg5 25.Rb4 b6 26.a5 bxa5 27.Rb7 Kf6 28.Rxa7 g5 29.Kc1 Ng6 30.Kd2 Ne5 31.Ke3 Bc4 32.Bd3 Be6 33.Rxa5 Nd7 34.Bb5 Nc5 35.Bc6 Bh3 36.Bd5 Bf1 37.Kd4 Nd7 38.Ke3 Nc5 39.Ra7 Ba6 40.Kd4 Be2 41.e5+ Kg6 42.Rxe7 1-0 (42)

Cutemouse83 (2875)-Rfelgaer (2718) Blitz 2021;

B4a4) 12.Bb5 Rf8

B4a41) 13.Bd3 a6 14.h4 b5 15.h5 b4 16.Ne2 Qa5 17.b3 Rfc8 18.Nf4 Bd7 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Nd5 Qd8 21.Nb6 1-0 (21) Loin Sn (2963)-Punchen (2737) Blitz 2025;

B4a42) 13.g4 Qa5 14.Be2 Rfc8 15.a3 Rab8 16.h4 b5 17.Nd5 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Bxd5 19.exd5 a5 20.h5 b4 21.a4 Nd7 22.Bf2 Nb6 23.b3 Nd7 24.Ba7 Ra8 25.Be3 Rc3 26.Rd3 Rac8 27.h6 Bf6 28.g5 Rxd3 29.Bxd3 Bc3 30.f4 Nc5 31.Bxc5 Rxc5 32.Bc4 Kf8 33.Rd1 Rc8 34.Kc1 f6 35.Rd3 fxg5 36.fxg5 Kg8 37.Kd1 Rf8 38.Re3 Rf7 39.Ke2 Kf8 40.Re4 Be5 41.Bd3 Rf5 42.Rg4 Rf4 43.Rg2 Bd4 44.Rg3 Rf2+ 45.Ke1 Rf4 46.Ke2 Rh4 47.Rf3+ Kg8 48.Bb5 Be5 49.Bd7 Re4+ 50.Kd3 Rf4 51.Ke3 Rxf3+ 52.Kxf3 Kf8 53.Be6 Bc3 54.Kg4 Bd2 55.Kh4 Be1+ 56.Kg4 Bd2 57.Kh4 Be1+ 58.Kg4 Bd2 ½-½ (58) Gmvallejo (2913)-Sina Iran (2830) Blitz 2022;

B4a43) 13.Be2 Re8 14.Rhe1 Qa5 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 *(16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxd2 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 g5 19.Bc4 Bxc4 20.Rxc4 Rac8 21.Rb4 b6 22.a4 Rc5 23.c4 f6 24.b3 Kf7 25.Rb5 Ke6 26.Kb2 h5 27.Kc3 Rec8 28.Kd4 R8c6 29.g3 a6 30.Rb4 Kd7 31.h4 Kc7 32.f4 e5+ 33.Ke3 exf4+ 34.gxf4 g4 35.Rd1 f5 36.Rd5 Rxd5 37.cxd5 Rc3+ 38.Ke2 fxe4 39.Rxe4 Rxb3 40.Re7+ Kd8 41.Ra7 a5 42.f5 Rf3 43.Rf7 Rf4 44.f6 Rxa4 45.Rf8+ Kd7 46.Ke3 Ra3+ 47.Ke4 Rf3 48.Rf7+ Ke8 49.Re7+ Kf8 50.Re6 a4 51.Rxd6 a3 52.Rxb6 Kf7 53.Ra6 Kg6 54.Ke5 g3 55.Ra8 Kh7 56.Ra7+ Kh6 57.Ra8 g2 58.Rh8+ Kg6 59.Rg8+ Kf7 60.Rg7+ Kf8 61.Rxg2 Rh3 62.d6 Rd3 63.Rg7 a2 64.Ra7 Rd2 65.Ke6 Re2+ 66.Kf5 Rd2 67.Kg6 Rxd6 68.Ra8+ Rd8 69.Rxd8#* 1-0 (69) Kelevra317 (2866)-Sina Iran (2827) Blitz 2021*)* 16...Bxd5 17.exd5 Bh6 18.Rdd1 Nxd5 19.Bb5 Red8 20.c4 e5 21.Bxe5 dxe5 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.cxd5 Bg7 24.Rc1 Rd8 25.Rc7 a6 26.Bc4 b5 27.Bb3 Rd6 28.Kc2 Bf8 29.Kd3 Kg7 30.Ke4 Kf6 31.h4

h5 32.g4 a5 33.a3 a4 34.Ba2 b4 35.axb4 Rb6 36.Rc6+ Rxc6 37.dxc6 Bd6 38.b5 Bc7 39.Kd5 hxg4 40.fxg4 Kg7 41.Kc5 e4 42.b6 Bxb6+ 43.Kxb6 e3 44.Bc4 1-0 (44) Kelevra317 (2873)-Sina Iran (2820) Blitz 2021;

B4a44) 13.h4 Qa5 14.Be2 Rfc8 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Kg7 18.Nh5+ gxh5 19.Rxd2 Kf6 20.g3 Rg8 21.Rg1 Rg7 22.f4 Rag8 23.e5+ dxe5 24.fxe5+ Kxe5 25.Rd3 f5 26.Bxh5 Bd5 27.b3 e6 28.Kb2 Be4 29.Rc3 b5 30.a3 a5 31.b4 axb4 32.axb4 Kf6 33.Be2 f4 34.Rf1 Rxg3 35.Rxf4+ Ke5 36.Rf2 Rxc3 37.Kxc3 Rg3+ 38.Kb2 Rh3 39.Bxb5 Rxh4 40.c4 h5 41.c5 Bd5 42.Re2+ Kf6 43.Kc3 Rh3+ 44.Bd3 h4 45.b5 Ke7 46.Kd4 Rg3 47.Be4 Rg4 48.Ke5 Bxe4 49.Rxe4 Rg5+ 50.Kd4 Rh5 51.Re2 h3 52.Rh2 Rh4+ 53.Kc3 e5 54.Kd3 Ke6 55.Ke3 Kd5 56.c6 Kd6 57.Kd3 Kc7 58.Ke3 Kb6 59.Kf3 Kxb5 60.c7 Rc4 61.Rxh3 Rxc7 62.Ke4 Rc4+ 63.Kxe5 Rc5+ 64.Kf4 Rc4+ 65.Kg5 Rc5+ 66.Kg4 Rc4+ 67.Kg5 Rc5+ 68.Kg4 Rc4+ 69.Kg5 ½ - ½ (69) Mothandtheflame (2872)-Loin Sn (2773) Blitz 2022;

B4a45) 13.Ba4 a6

B4a451) 14.Bb3

B4a4511) 14...Rc8

B4a45111) 15.h4 h5 16.Bxe6 *(16.Rhe1 Bxb3 17.axb3 e6 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Qxd6 Bxh4 20.Re3 Qg5 21.Red3 Qxg2 22.Qb6 Rb8 23.e5 Bg3 24.Qe3 h4 25.Ne4 Bxe5 26.Rg1 Qh3 27.Qh6 Bg7 28.Qg5 Rbc8 29.c3 b5 30.Ka2 b4 31.c4 a5 32.Rg4 a4 33.Rxh4 axb3+ 34.Kxb3 Qf1 35.Qd2 Ra8 36.Qd1 Qxd1+ 37.Rxd1 Rfd8 38.Rxd8+ Rxd8 39.c5 Rd3+ 40.Kc4 Rxf3 41.c6 Be5 42.Nc5 Rf1 43.Re4 Bd6 44.Nd3 Rd1 45.Rd4 Bc7 46.Rd7 Bg3 47.Nxb4 Rc1+ 48.Kb5 g5 49.Rd8+ Kg7 50.Rd3 g4 51.Rxg3 f5 52.Rc3 Rxc3 53.bxc3 g3*

54.c7 1-0 (54)
Kelevra317 (2856)-
Sina Iran (2837)
Blitz 2021)
16...fxe6 17.e5
dxe5 18.Bxe5 Qa5
19.Qg5 Nh7
20.Qxg6 Qxe5
21.Rhe1 Qf6
22.Rxe6 Qxg6
23.Rxg6 Nf6
24.Rg5 Rfd8
25.Rxd8+ Rxd8
26.a4 Kf7 27.g4
hxg4 28.fxg4 Bh6
29.Rf5 Ke6 30.Rf1
Nxg4 31.Ne4 Rd5
32.Re1 Re5
33.Nc5+ Kd5
34.Rxe5+ Nxe5
35.Nxb7 Nc6
36.c3 e5 37.Kc2
e4 38.b4 e3
39.Kd3 Ne5+
40.Ke2 Kc4 41.b5
axb5 42.axb5 Nd3
43.Nd6+ Kxc3
44.b6 Nc1+
45.Ke1 e2
46.Ne4+ Kd3
47.b7 Ke3 48.Nf2
Nd3+ 49.Nxd3
Bg7 0-1 (49)
Kelevra317 (2869)-
Sina Iran (2824)
Blitz 2021;
B4a45112) 15.Nd5
Bxd5 16.Bxd5
Nxd5 17.Bxg7
Kxg7 18.Qxd5
Qc7 19.c3 b5
20.h4 Qc5 21.h5
Qxd5 22.Rxd5
Rc5 23.h6+ Kf6
24.Rxc5 dxc5
25.Rd1 Ke6
26.Rd5 Rc8 27.g4
f6 28.Kc2 g5
29.Kd2 Rc6
30.Ke3 Rc8 31.f4
gxf4+ 32.Kxf4 c4
33.g5 fxg5+
34.Rxg5 Rf8+
35.Ke3 Rf6
36.Rh5 Rg6
37.Kf3 Kd6 38.b3
cxb3 39.axb3 e5
40.b4 Rg1 41.Rf5
Rg6 42.Rh5 Ke6
43.Rh1 Rf6+
44.Ke3 Rg6
45.Kf3 Rf6+
46.Ke3 Rg6
47.Rh3 Rf6
48.Kd3 Ke7 49.c4
Rd6+ 50.Kc3 bxc4
51.Kxc4 Rd4+
52.Kc5 Rxe4
53.Ra3 Re1
54.Rxa6 e4
55.Ra7+ Ke6
56.Rxh7 e3
57.Rh8 Kf7 58.h7
Rh1 59.Ra8 e2
60.Ra7+ Ke6
61.Ra8 Kf7
62.Ra7+ Kf6
63.Ra1 Rh5+
64.Kd4 Rxh7
65.Re1 Rd7+
66.Ke3 Re7+
67.Kd2 Re4
68.Rxe2 Rxb4
69.Ke1 Rb1+
70.Kd2 Kf5
71.Re3 Rb2+

72.Kc3 Rb8
73.Rd3 Ke4
74.Rd4+ Ke5
75.Rc4 Kd5
76.Kd3 Rb3+
77.Rc3 Rb4
78.Kc2 Rh4
79.Rd3+ Kc4
80.Rc3+ Kb4
81.Rd3 Rh2+
82.Rd2 Rh1
83.Re2 Ra1
84.Kd2 Ra2+
85.Ke3 Ra6
86.Kf2 Kc4 87.Re3 Kd4 88.Ke2 Ra2+
89.Kf3 Ra1
90.Re4+ Kd5
91.Re2 Rf1+
92.Rf2 Rd1
93.Kg2 Ke4
94.Rf3 Rd2+
95.Rf2 Rd6
96.Re2+ Kf4
97.Rf2+ Kg4
98.Re2 Rd4
99.Rf2 Re4
100.Rf1 Re2+
101.Rf2 Re3
102.Rf1 Rg3+
103.Kf2 Ra3
104.Ke2 Ra2+
105.Ke3 Ra3+
106.Ke4 Ra4+
0 - 1 (1 0 6)
Kelevra317 (2870)-Sina Iran (2823)
Blitz 2021;

B4a4512) 14...b5
15.Rhe1 b4 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.Bxd5 Rb8
18.Bc4 Qc7 19.b3 Nd7 20.Bxg7 Kxg7
21.f4 a5 22.e5 Nb6
23.exd6 exd6
24.Qd4+ Kg8
25.Qxd6 Qc8
26.Bd3 a4 27.f5 Rd8 28.Qe5 Nd5
29.fxg6 Nc3+
30.Ka1 hxg6
31.Rd2 axb3
32.cxb3 Ra8
33.Bxg6 fxg6
34.Qf6 Rd7
35.Qxg6+ Rg7
36.Qd3 Qc5 37.Re3 Nxa2 38.Qc4+ Qxc4 39.bxc4 Nc3+
40.Kb2 Ra2+
41.Kc1 Ra1+
42.Kc2 Ra2+
43.Kc1 Rxg2
44.Rxg2+ Rxg2
45.Re8+ Kf7
46.Rb8 Ke6 47.h4 Kd6 48.h5 Kc5
49.h6 Rh2 50.h7 Rxh7 51.Kc2 Kxc4
52.Rc8+ Kb5
53.Rb8+ Kc4
54.Rc8+ Kb5
55.Kd3 Rh3+
56.Kd4 Na4
57.Rb8+ Nb6
58.Rg8 b3 59.Rg5+ Kb4 60.Rg4 Rh4
61.Ke5+ 1-0 (61)
Kelevra317 (2877)-Sina Iran (2816)
Blitz 2021;

B4a452) 14.h4 b5
15.Bb3 b4 16.Na4 Qa5 17.h5 Bxb3
18.axb3 Rac8 19.g4 Rc6 20.hxg6 fxg6

21.g5 Nh5 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Rdf1 Ng3 24.Qh2 Nxh1 25.Rxh1 h5 26.gxh6+ Kh7 27.f4 e6 28.Qh3 d5 29.exd5 Qxd5 30.Rg1 Qf5 31.Qg2 Rfc8 32.Ka2 Qxc2 33.Qg5 R8c7 34.Qd8 Qf5 35.Qd4 Qd5 36.Qf6 Qf5 37.Qd4 Rf7 38.Qxb4 Qxf4 39.Qe1 Rc2 40.Qd1 Qf5 41.Qd4 Re2 42.Rc1 Re4 43.Qc3 Rxa4+ 44.bxa4 Qd5+ 45.Ka1 e5 46.Qe3 Qa5 47.Qb3 Rc7 48.Rh1 Qc5 49.Rf1 Qe7 50.Qd5 e4 51.Qd4 e3 52.Re1 e2 53.Kb1 Qf7 54.a5 Qf5+ 55.Ka2 Qxa5+ 56.Kb3 Qxe1 57.Qe5 Qd1+ 58.Ka3 Qd7 59.Qxe2 Qf7 60.Qe7 Rxe7 0-1 (60) Loin Sn (2964)-Punchen (2736) Blitz 2025;

B4b) 11...Qa5 12.Nd5

B4b1) 12...Qxd2 13.Nxe7+ Kh8 14.Rxd2 Rfe8 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Bxd5 *(16...Bg5 17.Rd1 Rac8 18.h4 Bd8 19.Bb5 Rf8 20.h5 Kg7 21.c3 Rc5 22.Ba4 Bxd5 23.Rxd5 Rxd5 24.exd5 Bg5 25.Kc2 Rc8 26.Kd3 Rc7 27.g3 Re7 28.f4 Bh6 29.Bd1 g5 30.f5 g4 31.Bxg4 Re3+ 32.Kc2 Rxg3 33.Be2 Kf6 34.a4 Rg2 35.Kd3 Ke5 36.a5 Bf4 37.b4 Kxf5 38.Bf3 Rg3 39.Ke2 h6 40.Rd1 Rh3 41.c4 Rh2+ 42.Kf1 Be3 43.c5 Rf2+ 44.Ke1 Rxf3 45.Ke2 Rh3 46.c6 bxc6 47.dxc6 Ke4 48.Rxd6 Rh2+ 49.Kd1 Bf4 50.c7 Rh1+ 51.Ke2 Rc1 52.Rd7 Rxc7* 0-1 (52) Vistagausta (2892)-Loin Sn (2897) Blitz 2025*; 16...Bd8 17.Bc4 Rc8 18.Bb3 Rc5 19.Rhd1 Kg7 20.c3 b5 21.Nb4 Be7 22.Bxe6 fxe6 23.Kc2 Kf7 24.Nd3 Rc7 25.Ra1 Rb8 26.Kd1 a5 27.a4 b4 28.cxb4 axb4 29.Rc2 Rxc2 30.Kxc2 b3+ 31.Kd2 Bf6 32.a5 Bd4 33.Ra3 e5 34.a6 Ke6 35.Ra4 Rc8 36.a7 Ra8 37.Nc1 Rxa7 38.Rxa7 Bxa7 39.Kc3 d5 40.Kxb3 Bg1 41.h3 d4 42.Nd3 Kd6 43.Kc4 g5 44.b4 h6 45.b5 Bh2 46.Nb4 Bg3 47.b6 Be1 48.Nd3 Bg3 49.Kb5 Kd7 50.Ka6 Kc8 51.Ka7* 1-0 (51) Maybenotit (2851)-winamp (2795) Blitz 2025*)* 17.Rxd5 Rad8 18.Bb5 Re5 19.Rhd1 Rxd5 20.Rxd5 b6 21.c3 Be5 22.g3 Kg7 23.Kc2 g5 24.a4 h5 25.f4 gxf4 26.gxf4 Bxf4 27.Rxh5 Kg6 28.Be2 Re8 29.Rh4 Rxe4 30.Bd3 Kg5 31.Rh7 Rxa4 32.h4+ Kf6 33.Rh5 Ra5 34.Rxa5 bxa5 35.Kb3 Bc1 36.Kc2 Be3 37.b3 Bf2 38.h5 Kg5 39.Be2 Be1 40.Kd3 f5 41.c4 Bf2 42.Bf3 Bc5 43.Bd1 Kh6

44.Bf3 Kg5 45.Ke2 Bd4 46.Kd3 Bf6 47.Ke3 Bg7 48.Kd3 Kf4 49.Bd1 Kg3 50.Be2 Be5 51.h6 Kh4 52.h7 Kg5 53.Ke3 Kg6 54.Bd3 Kxh7 55.Bxf5+ Kg7 56.Ke4 Kf6 57.Bd7 Ke7 58.Ba4 Kd8 59.Kd5 Kc7 60.Bb5 Bc3 61.Ba4 Bb4 62.Bb5 Bc5 63.Ba4 Bb4 64.Bb5 Bc5 65.Ba4 a6 66.Ke6 Bb4 67.Kd5 Bc5 68.Ke6 Bb4 69.Kd5 Bc5 ½-½ (69) Vistagausta (2921)-Norolex (2822) Blitz 2022;

B4b2) 12...Qd8 13.Nxf6+ exf6 14.Bc3 *(14.c4 a6 15.Bc3 b5 16.Qxd6 bxc4 17.Qxd8 Rfxd8 18.Be2 f5 19.e5 f4 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.Rd1 Bf5+ 22.Kc1 Bd3 23.Bxd3 cxd3 24.Kd2 Kf8 25.Re1 Ke7 26.Re4 Ke6 27.Ra4 Ra8 28.Ra5 g5 29.Kxd3 h5 30.b4 g4 31.a4 h4 32.h3 g3 33.Ke4 f5+ 34.exf6 Bxf6 35.Bxf6 Kxf6 36.Kxf4 Rc8 37.Rxa6+ Kf7 38.Kg4 Rc2 39.Kxh4 Rxg2 40.b5 Rg1 41.Rc6 g2 42.Kg3 Ke7 43.Rc4 Kd6 44.Rb4 Kc5 45.Rb2 Ra1 46.Kxg2 Rxa4 47.b6 Ra8 48.b7 Rb8 49.h4* 1-0 (49) Kelevra317 (2867)-Sina Iran (2826) Blitz 2021 *)* 14...Qc7 *(14...Qb6 15.Qd4 Qc7 16.h4 Rfd8 17.Bd3 d5 18.Qf2 dxe4 19.Bxe4 f5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Bd3 Qa5 22.a3 Qd5 23.b3 Qa5 24.Kb2 Rac8 25.Qe1 Qc5 26.h5 g5 27.h6+ Kg8 28.Qg3 f4 29.Qe1 Qd4+ 30.Kb1 Qh8 31.Rh5 Rd5 32.Be4 Rxd1+ 33.Qxd1 Qf6 34.Qd6 Rd8 35.Rxg5+ Qxg5 36.Qb4 Qf6 37.Qe1 Qxh6 38.Bd3 Qf6 39.Qe4 Kf8 40.Qxh7 Ke7 41.Qh1 Rd7 42.Qg1 Qd4 43.Qe1 Qe3 44.Qh4+ Kd6 45.Qh8 Kc7 46.Ka2 Qc5 47.Qc3 Qxc3* 0-1 (47) Mikegscarn (2836)-Econpower (2638) Blitz 2023 *)* 15.Bb5 Rfd8 16.Qf4 a6 17.Ba4 Qe7 18.Bb3 b5 19.h4 a5 20.g4 a4 21.Bd5 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 b4 23.Bxb4 Qb7 24.a3 Ra6 25.Rhd1 Rb6 26.Rxd6 Rdxd6 27.Rxd6 Rxd6 28.Qxd6 h6 29.h5 f5 30.hxg6 fxg6 31.Qxg6 fxe4 32.Qe8+ Kh7 33.Qxe4+ Qxe4 34.fxe4 Kg6 35.Bd2 h5 36.gxh5+ Kxh5 37.b4 Kg4 38.c4 Kf3 39.Kc2 Kxe4 40.Bc3 Bf8 41.Bb2 Be7 42.Bg7 Bd6 43.Kc3 Be7 44.Bd4 Bf8 45.Bg1 Bg7+ 46.Kc2 Bf8 47.c5 Kd5 48.Kd3 Be7 49.Bh2 Bxc5 50.bxc5 Kxc5 51.Bg3 Kb6 52.Kc4 Ka7 53.Kb5 Ka8 54.Bf2 Kb7 55.Bb6 Ka8 56.Ka6 Kb8 57.Ba5 Ka8 58.Kb5 Kb8 59.Kc6 Ka8 60.Kb6 Kb8 61.Bb4 Ka8 62.Bc3 Kb8 63.Bd4 Ka8 64.Ka6 Kb8 65.Kb5 Ka8 66.Kc6 Kb8 67.Be5+ Ka8 68.Kc7 Ka7 69.Kc8 Ka8 70.Bd6 Ka7 71.Kd7 Ka8

72.Kc6 Ka7 73.Kb5 Ka8 74.Kxa4 Ka7 75.Kb5 Ka8 76.Ka6 ½-½ (76) Vistagausta (2957)-Saqochess (2662) Blitz 2022;

B4c) 11...a6 12.h4

B4c1) 12...h5 13.Bd3 *(13.g4 hxg4 14.h5 Nxh5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Rxh5 gxh5 17.Qg5+ Kh8 18.Qxh5+ Kg8 19.Qg5+ Kh8 20.Bd3* 1-0 (20) Brittabagels (2839)-Evilhamburger (2615) Blitz 2022 *)* 13...Re8 14.f4 Qa5 15.Bxf6 exf6 16.f5 Bd7 17.fxg6 fxg6 18.Bc4+ Kh7 19.Qxd6 Bc6 20.Bd5 Rad8 21.Qg3 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.exd5 f5 24.Rd1 b5 25.d6 b4 26.Nd5 f4 27.Qg5 Re5 28.Nf6+ Bxf6 29.Qxf6 Qd5 30.Kc1 Qe4 31.Qxe5 Qxe5 32.d7 b3 33.axb3 Qa5 34.d8Q Qa1+ 35.Kd2 1-0 (35) Kelevra317 (2881)-Sina Iran (2812) Blitz 2021;

B4c2) 12...b5 13.h5 b4 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Qa5 16.Bc4 Rfc8 17.b3 Rxc4 18.bxc4 Rc8 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Qe2 Rc7 21.Qe6+ Kh8 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Qf7 1-0 (23) Vistagausta (2931)-Norolex (2852) Blitz 2022;

B4d) 11...Qc7

B4d1) 12.g4 Rfc8 13.g5 Nh5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.h4 Qc5 16.f4 Ng3 17.Rh2 Qa5 18.a3 Rxc3 19.bxc3 Nxf1 20.Qd4+ Kg8 21.h5 Nxh2 22.h6 Qb6+ 23.Kc1 Qxd4 0-1 (23) Maybenotit (2879)-winamp (2792) Blitz 2025;

B4d2) 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5 Rfc8 *(13...Rac8 14.c4 b5 15.Rc1 Qb7 16.g4 a6 17.h4 e5 18.dxe6 fxe6 19.g5 Qxf3 20.gxf6 Qxh1 21.Bg2 Qxh4 22.fxg7 Rf4 23.Be3 Rfxc4 24.Rxc4 Qxc4 25.b3 Qc3 26.Qxc3 Rxc3 27.Bd4 Rd3 28.Bf6 Rd2 29.Bh3 Re2 30.Bg4 Re3 31.Kc2 h5 32.Kd2 Re4 33.Bh3 g5 34.Bxg5 Kxg7 35.Be3 Kf6 36.Kd3 Rh4 37.Bg2 Rh2 38.Bf3 h4 39.a3 Ra2 40.Kc3 h3 41.Bc1 Rf2 42.Be4 h2 43.Be3 Rf1 44.Bg2 h1Q 45.Bxh1 Rxh1 46.Bd4+ e5 47.Bb6 Rh3+ 48.Kb4 Ke6 49.a4 bxa4 50.bxa4 Kd5 51.a5 Kc6 52.Kc4 Rf3 53.Kb4 Rf4+ 54.Kc3 Rd4 55.Kc2 Rd5 56.Kc3 Rb5 57.Kc4 Rxb6 58.axb6 Kxb6 59.Kb4 Kc7 60.Kc4 Kd7 61.Kc3 Ke6 62.Kd3 d5 63.Kc3 e4 64.Kd4 Kd6 65.Ke3 Ke5 66.Ke2 d4 67.Kd2 a5 68.Ke2 a4 69.Kd2 a3 70.Kc2 e3 71.Kb3 e2 72.Kc4 e1Q 73.Kb3 Qc3+ 74.Ka4 d3 75.Kb5 d2 76.Kb6 d1Q 77.Kb7 Qb1+ 78.Ka6 a2 79.Ka7 Qa3#* 0-1 (79) Molt7N (2813)-Nguyen,D (2649) Blitz 2021 *)* 14.Rc1 *(14.c3 Rab8 15.h4 b5 16.h5 Nxh5*

17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.g4 Nf6 19.Qh6+ Kg8 20.g5 Nh5 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.Bd3 f5 23.gxf6 exf6 24.Rg1+ Kh8 25.Qxf6+ 1-0 (25) Jurgensanchez97 (2838)-Econpower (2713) Blitz 2022 *)* 14...Qd7 15.h4 Qa4 16.g4 Ne4 17.fxe4 Qxd4 18.Qxd4 Bxd4 19.Bd3 Be5 20.h5 Kg7 21.Rcf1 h6 22.Rh3 g5 23.Rhf3 Bf4 24.c3 Kf6 25.Rxf4+ gxf4 26.Rxf4+ Kg7 27.Kc2 f6 28.a4 Rc7 29.Be2 Rac8 30.Rf3 Kf7 31.b4 Rg8 32.Re3 Rg5 33.Kb3 Rc8 34.Rd3 Rcg8 35.c4 Ke8 36.Rc3 Rxg4 37.Bxg4 Rxg4 38.c5 dxc5 39.Rxc5 Kd7 40.Rc4 Rg3+ 41.Kc2 Rg5 42.b5 b6 43.Kd3 Rxh5 44.a5 Rh3+ 45.Kd4 Rb3 46.axb6 axb6 47.Ra4 Rxb5 48.Ra8 Rb1 49.Rh8 Rd1+ 50.Kc4 Rh1 51.Kd4 h5 52.Rb8 Kc7 53.Re8 Kd7 54.Rb8 h4 55.Rxb6 h3 56.Rb3 h2 0-1 (56) Molt7N (2875)-Niper13 (2731) Blitz 2022;

B4d3) 12.Nb5 Qc6 *(12...Qd7 13.Be3 Rfc8 14.Nd4 Bc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.b3 Rcc8 17.c4 a6 18.Rc1 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.Rxc8+ Rxc8 21.Rc1 Rc5 22.b4 Rc4 23.Rxc4 bxc4 24.b5 Ne8 25.Nc6 Nc7 26.Qb4 c3 27.Qc4 Bf6 28.a4 d5 29.exd5 Nxd5 30.Qd3 Qe6 31.Bc1 Nb4* 0-1 (31) Rosagasa (2827)-Pblu35 (2710) Blitz 2021 *)* 13.Bc3 Bc4 14.Nd4 Qa6 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.b3 Qc5 17.Bb2 b5 18.Qa5 a6 19.h4 Rfc8 20.Rd2 h5 21.Rhd1 Nd7 22.f4 b4 23.Qxc5 Nxc5 24.Re2 a5 25.e5 dxe5 26.fxe5 Rd8 27.Rf1 Rd5 28.Nc6 Bf8 29.Ref2 Ne4 30.Rxf7 Nd2+ 31.Ka1 Nxf1 32.Rxf1 Rc8 33.Nd4 Bg7 34.Kb1 Bxe5 35.Nf3 Bf6 36.a3 Rcd8 37.axb4 Rd1+ 38.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 39.Ka2 axb4 40.Bxf6 exf6 41.Kb2 Kf7 42.c3 bxc3+ 43.Kxc3 Ke6 44.b4 Kf5 45.b5 Kg4 46.Nd4 Rb1 47.Nb3 Rd1 48.Nd4 Rc1+ 49.Kb4 Rc8 50.Nc6 Kg3 51.Kc5 Kxg2 52.b6 Re8 53.b7 g5 54.hxg5 fxg5 55.Ne7 Rb8 56.Kc6 Rxb7 57.Kxb7 h4 58.Nd5 g4 59.Ne3+ Kf3 60.Nf5 h3 61.Nd4+ Kf2 62.Nc6 h2 63.Ne5 g3 64.Ng4+ Ke2 65.Nxh2 gxh2 0-1 (65) Serendipper (2854)-Miguemosquera (2645) Blitz 2022;

B4d4) 12.h4 Rfc8 13.h5 Rab8 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Qg5 b5 16.Bd3 b4 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.exd5 a5 19.Bxg6 fxg6 20.Qxg6 Rb5 21.Rh7 e5 22.Rdh1 Nxh7 23.Qxh7+ Kf8 24.Qf5+ Kg8 25.Be3 Rf8 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.Bh6 Rg8 28.Qf5+ Ke8 29.Qe6+ Kf8 30.Bxg7+ Kxg7 31.Rh5 Qd8 32.Qh6+ Kf7 33.Rf5+

Ke8 34.Qe6+ Qe7 35.Qxg8+ Kd7 36.Rf7 Rc5 37.Rxe7+ Kxe7 38.Qe6+ 1-0 (38) Vistagausta (2899)-Chess Lover2020 (2818) Blitz 2022;

B4e) 11...h5 12.Bd3 Re8 13.f4 Qa5 14.Bxf6 exf6 15.f5 Bd7 16.fxg6 fxg6 17.Bc4+ Kh7 18.Qxd6 Bc6 19.Bd5 Rad8 20.Qg3 Bxd5 21.Rxd5 Rxd5 22.exd5 f5 23.Rd1 Rd8 24.a3 b5 25.Qh4 Rb8 26.Qb4 Qd8 27.d6 a5 28.Qc5 b4 29.axb4 axb4 30.Nd5 b3 31.c3 Qg5 32.Qf2 f4 33.Nxf4 Ra8 34.d7 Qa5 35.Kc1 Bxc3 36.bxc3 Qxc3+ 0-1 (36) Kelevra317 (2873)-Sina Iran (2820) Blitz 2021;

B4f) 11...Nd7 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.h4 h6 14.f4 Bg4 15.Be2 Bxe2 16.Qxe2 Rc8 17.Rh3 Rc5 18.h5 g5 19.e5 f6 20.Ne4 Qb6 21.Nxc5 Nxc5 22.exf6+ exf6 23.fxg5 fxg5 24.Rf3 Rxf3 25.gxf3 Na4 26.Qe7+ 1-0 (26) Vistagausta (2858)-Idisjuda (2646) Blitz 2022;

B4g) 11...Rc8 12.h4 *(12.g4 Nd7 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Nd5 Rc5 15.h4 f6 16.a3 Ne5 17.Be2 Qd7 18.Qe3 Rfc8 19.Rd2 Kg8 20.h5 g5 21.f4 Bxd5 22.exd5 gxf4 23.Qxf4 Kh8 24.g5 fxg5 25.Qxg5 Rg8 26.Qh4 Rcc8 27.h6 Rcf8 28.Rdd1 Qd8 29.Rhf1 b6 30.Ka2 Rf6 31.Rxf6 exf6 32.Bd3 Rg5 33.Rf1 Qe7 34.Bf5 Qf8 35.Qa4 Qe7 36.Be6 Rg6 37.Rh1 Nf7 38.Qf4 Ng5 39.Qc4 Nf7 40.Rh3 Rg8 41.Rc3 Rb8 42.Bxf7 Qxf7 43.Re3 b5 44.Qc6 Qf8 45.Qc7 Rc8 46.Qd7 Rd8 47.Qf5 Qf7 48.Re6 Qg6 49.Qxf6+ Qxf6 50.Rxf6 Kg8 51.c3 a6 52.Kb3 a5 53.a4 Rb8 54.Rxd6 Kf7 55.axb5 Rxb5+ 56.Kc4 Rxb2 57.Ra6 Rb8 58.Rxa5 Rb6 59.Ra7+ Kf8 60.Kc5 Rxh6 61.c4 Rh5 62.Kc6 Re5 63.d6 Re8 64.d7 Rd8 65.Kd6 h6 66.c5 Kf7 67.c6 Kg6 68.c7 Rf8 69.d8Q Rf1 70.Qg8+ Kf6 71.Qf8+ Kg5 72.Qxf1 Kg6 73.c8Q Kh5 74.Qcf5+ Kh4 75.Q1f4#* 1-0 (75) Vaxim2000 (2842)-Cheng (2505) Rapid 2023 *)*

B4g1) 12...Nh5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Nd5 Ng3 15.Rh2 Nxf1 16.Rxf1 f6 17.h5 g5 18.h6+ Kh8 19.g3 Rc5 20.f4 Rg8 21.b3 b5 22.Qd4 a5 23.a3 gxf4 24.gxf4 a4 25.b4 Rc4 26.Qe3 Rc8 27.Re1 Qf8 28.Qa7 Rg4 29.f5 Bf7 30.Kb2 Qd8 31.Rhe2 Rh4 32.Nxe7 Rc7 33.Qf2 Rxh6 34.Nd5 Rc8 35.Qa7 Qe8 36.Kb1 Ra8 37.Qe3 Qf8 38.Qd3 Rb8 39.Qd4 Re8 40.Nxf6 Qg7 41.e5 dxe5 42.Nxe8 exd4 43.Nxg7 Kxg7 44.Re7 Rh3 45.Rb7 Rf3 46.Rxb5 h5 47.Rb6 h4 48.Rd6 h3 49.Rxd4 Kf6 50.Rh1 Rxa3 51.b5 Rc3 52.b6 Bb3 53.Rd2 a3 54.cxb3 Rxb3+ 55.Ka2

Rxb6 56.Rf2 Rb2+ 57.Rxb2 axb2 58.Rxh3 b1B+ 59.Kxb1 Kxf5 60.Re3 Kg6 61.Kc2 Kf6 62.Re4 Kg5 63.Kd2 Kf5 64.Ke3 Kg5 65.Rf4 Kg6 66.Kf3 Kg7 67.Kg3 Kh6 68.Rg4 Kh5 69.Kf4 Kh6 70.Kf5 *(70.Rg5 Kh7 71.Re5 Kh6 72.Kf5* 1-0 (68) Supertactic91 (2846)-Loin Sn (2928) Blitz 2025 *)* 70...Kh5 71.Ra4 Kh6 72.Ra7 Kh5 73.Rh7# 1-0 (73) Nikitosikbot (2885)-Aks Mantissa (2626) Rapid 2023;

B4g2) 12...Qa5 13.Nd5 Qd8 14.Nxf6+ exf6 15.h5 d5 16.h6 Bh8 17.Bd3 Qd7 18.Qf4 dxe4 19.Bxe4 Rfd8 20.b3 Qe7 21.Bb2 a5 22.a4 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 b5 24.axb5 a4 25.Qd6 Qxd6 26.Rxd6 axb3 27.cxb3 f5 28.Bd5 Bxd5 29.Rxd5 Bxb2 30.Kxb2 Kf8 31.Ka3 Ke7 32.Kb4 f4 33.b6 Rb8 34.Kb5 Ke6 35.Rc5 Rb7 36.Rc7 1-0 (36) Kelevra317 (2882)-Sina Iran (2811) Blitz 2021;

B4g3) 12...h5 13.g4 *(13.a3 Nd7 14.Nb5 a6 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nd4 Rc5 17.g4 hxg4 18.Bd3 Nf6 19.Nxe6+ fxe6 20.fxg4 Qe8 21.Qe2 Nd7 22.g5 Ne5 23.h5 Nxd3 24.hxg6 Nf4 25.Rh7+ Kg8 26.Qh2 Qxg6 27.Rh8+ Kg7 28.Rh1 b6 29.Rxf8 Kxf8 30.Qxf4+ Kg7 31.Rf1 Rc8 32.Qf2 e5 33.b3 Rb8 34.a4 Re8 35.Qxb6 Qxe4 36.Qf2 Qg6 37.Qa7 Qe4 38.Qd7 Qe2 39.Rh1 Qf3 40.Rh4 Qg3 41.Qxe8 Qxh4 42.Qxe7+ Kg8 43.Qd8+ Kg7 44.Qf6+ Kg8 45.Qd8+ Kg7 46.Qe7+ Kg8 47.Qxd6 Qxg5 48.Qxa6 Kf7 49.a5 Qg1+ 50.Ka2 Ke7 51.Qb6 Qxb6 52.axb6 Kd7 53.c3 Kc6 54.b4 e4 55.b7 Kc7 56.b8Q+ Kxb8 57.Kb1 Ka8 58.Kc1 Kb7 59.c4 Kc7 60.Kd2 Kc6 61.b5+ Kc5 62.Ke3 Kd6 63.Kxe4 Kc7 64.c5 Kb7 65.b6 Ka6 66.Kd5 Kb7 67.Kd6 Ka6 68.c6 Kxb6 69.c7 Kb7 70.Kd7 Ka6 71.c8Q+ Kb5 72.Qc2 Kb4 73.Kc6 Ka3 74.Qb1 Ka4 75.Qb2 Ka5 76.Qa3#* 1-0 (76) Nikitosik Ai (2973)-Aks Mantissa (2695) Rapid 2024*)* 13...hxg4 14.h5 gxh5 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 e6 17.fxg4 hxg4 18.Qh2 Re8 19.Bb5 e5 *(19...a5 20.Rdf1 e5 21.Be3 Qc7 22.c4 g3 23.Qxg3 Nxd5 24.Rfg1 f5 25.Qh3 Nf6 26.Qh8+ Kf7 27.Rxg7+ Ke6 28.Bxe8 Rxe8 29.Qxe8+ Nxe8 30.Rh6+ Nf6 31.Rxc7 f4 32.Bf2 e4 33.Bd4 Kf5 34.Rxf6+ Kg4 35.Rcf7 Kf3 36.Rxf4+ Kg3 37.Rf1 e3 38.Rg1+ Kh2 39.Bxe3 d5 40.Rh7#* 1-0 (40) Mateai (3031)-Cheng (2617) Blitz 2024*)*

20.Be3 Qc7 21.c4 Qe7 22.Bh6 Qf8 23.Rdf1 Red8 24.Qh4 Ne4 25.Bc1 f6 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.Qxe4 a6 28.Qxg4 Kg8 29.Qg6 Rxc4 30.Bxc4 f5 31.Rfg1 Rd7 32.Qe6+ Rf7 33.Bh6 f4 34.Bxg7 Qxg7 35.Rxg7+ Kxg7 36.Qh6+ Kg8 37.Qh8# 1-0 (37) Mateai (3051)-Cheng (2626) Blitz 2024]

[9...Be6

A) 10.Nxe6 fxe6 11.Bc4 Qc8 12.Bb3 Na5 13.Kb1 Nc4 14.Qe2 *(14.Bxc4 Qxc4 15.h4 Nh5 16.Ne2 Rac8 17.Bd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 e5 19.Ne2 Nf4 20.Nxf4 Rxf4 21.h5 Kg7 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Rh2 Rh8 24.Rxh8 Kxh8 25.g3 Rxf3 26.Qh6+ Kg8 27.Qxg6+ Kf8 28.b3 Qf7 29.Qg4 Rf1 30.Rxf1 Qxf1+ 31.Kb2 Kf7 32.Qh5+ Kg7 33.Qg4+ Kf7 34.a4 Qf2 35.Qh4 Qd4+ 36.Ka2 Qc3 37.Qh7+ Ke8 38.Qh2 Kd7 39.Qg2 Ke6 40.g4 Kf6 41.Qf2+ Kg5 42.Qf5+ Kh4 43.Kb1 Qe3 44.Qh5+ Kg3 45.g5 Qe1+ 46.Kb2 Kf4 47.g6 Qg1 48.Qh6+ Kxe4 49.g7 Kd4 50.Qh7 Qg3 51.g8Q Qc3+ 52.Ka2* 1-0 (52) Mikegscarn (2855)-Ynzj1515 (2676) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Nxb2 15.Kxb2 Nxe4 16.fxe4 Qxc3+ 17.Kc1 Qb2+ 18.Kd2 Qc3+ 19.Kc1 Qb2+ 20.Kd2 Qc3+ 21.Kc1 ½-½ (21) Elektromagnit (2869)-Kastorcito (2772) Blitz 2022;

B) 10.Kb1 Na5 *(10...Rc8 11.g4 a6 12.h4 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 b5 14.h5 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Qa5 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.g5 Nh5 19.Bh3 Rc4 20.Be6+ Kh8 21.Bxg7+ Kxg7 22.Qd3 Qc5 23.Bg4 Nf4 24.Qd2 Rf7 25.Qh2 Kg8 26.Rhe1 Rd4 27.Rxd4 Qxd4 28.Qg1 Qxd5 29.Qa7 Qxg5 30.Qxa6 h5 31.Bd7 Ng2 32.Qc8+ Kg7 33.Rd1 Ne3 34.Rc1 Rxf3 35.Qb7 Rf4 36.Bc6 Qe5 37.Ba4 Nc4 38.c3 Rf2 39.Bb3 Rxb2+ 40.Ka1 bxc3 41.Qc8 c2 42.Qg8+ Kxg8* 0-1 (42) Anuar Is (2852)-Norolex (2822) Blitz 2022*; 10...Ne5 11.g4 Rc8 12.h4 Re8 13.h5 Qa5 14.a3 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Nb3 Qc7 18.Bd4 Rc8 19.Qh2 a5 20.a4 Rb4 21.Rd2 Bxb3 22.cxb3 Rxd4 23.Rxd4 Nxg4 24.fxg4 Bxd4 25.Nd5 Qd7 26.Qh4 Kf8 27.g5 Qe6 28.Rf1 Bg7 29.Ka2 Rc2 30.Rf2 Rxf2 31.Qxf2 Qxe4 32.Qb6 Kg8 33.Qd8+ Bf8 34.Qxa5 Qe5 35.Qb5 Kg7 36.Qxb7 e6 37.a5 exd5 38.a6 d4 39.a7 Qa5+ 40.Kb1 Qe1+ 41.Ka2 Qa5+ 42.Kb1 Qe1+ 43.Ka2 Qa5+* ½-½ (43) Evg85 (2821)-Das (2641) Blitz 2023*)* 11.Bh6 Bc4 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.g4 *(13.e5 dxe5 14.Nf5+ Kh8 15.Qh6 gxf5 16.Rxd8 Raxd8 17.b3 Bxf1 18.Rxf1 Nc6 19.Qg5 Nd4 20.Qe3 Nc6 21.g4 fxg4 22.fxg4 Nxg4 23.Qg5 Rg8 24.Qh4 f6 25.Ne4 Ne3 26.Nxf6 exf6 27.Qxf6+ Rg7 28.Rg1 Nf5 29.Rg5 Nce7 30.Rxg7 Nxg7 31.Qxe7* 1-0 (31) Vistagausta (2949)-Norolex (2834) Blitz 2022*)* 13...Bxf1 14.Rhxf1 Nc4 15.Qd3 Rc8 16.h4 Qb6 17.b3 Qb4 18.g5 Na3+ 19.Kb2 Nc4+ 20.Ka1 Ne5 21.gxf6+ exf6 22.Nd5 Nxd3 23.Nxb4 Nxb4 24.c4 a6 25.a3 Nc6 26.Nxc6 Rxc6 27.Rd5 Re8

28.Rfd1 Re6 29.a4 Kf8 30.Kb2 Ke7 31.Kc3 Re5 32.b4 Rxd5 33.exd5 Rc8 34.a5 Kd7 35.Re1 h5 36.Kd4 g5 37.Rh1 g4 38.fxg4 hxg4 39.h5 f5 40.h6 g3 41.h7 Rh8 42.c5 g2 43.Rg1 Rxh7 44.Rxg2 Rh4+ 45.Kc3 dxc5 46.bxc5 Ra4 47.Rg7 Ke7 48.d6+ Ke6 49.d7 Kxd7 50.Rxf7+ Kc6 51.Rf6+ Kb5 52.Rxf5 Rc4+ 53.Kb3 Rxc5 54.Rf7 Kc6 55.Rf6+ Kc7 56.Kb4 Rb5+ 57.Ka4 Kb8 58.Rf7 Ka7 59.Rf8 Rd5 60.Rf4 Re5 61.Rb4 Kb8 62.Rc4 Rd5 63.Rb4 Kc7 64.Rc4+ Kd6 65.Rb4 Kc6 66.Rb6+ Kc7 67.Rb4 Rd6 68.Rc4+ Rc6 69.Rb4 Kc8 70.Rb3 Kc7 71.Rb4 b5+ 72.axb6+ Rxb6 73.Rxb6 Kxb6 74.Kb4 a5+ 75.Ka4 Ka6 76.Ka3 Kb5 77.Ka2 a4 78.Ka1 Ka5 79.Kb1 Kb4 80.Ka1 a3 81.Kb1 Ka4 82.Ka1 Ka5 83.Kb1 Kb4 84.Ka1 Ka4 0-1 (84) Vistagausta (2953)-Norolex (2831) Blitz 2022]

[9...Qc7 10.h4 *(10.g4 Bd7 11.h4 h5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Rac8 16.Bd3 hxg4 17.h5 Qc5 18.Qf4 Qxd5 19.hxg6 Qe5 20.Qh6 Qg7 21.Qxg7+ Kxg7 22.Rh7+ Kf6 23.fxg4 fxg6 24.g5+ Kxg5 25.Rg1+ Bg4 26.Be2 Rf4 27.Rxe7 Rb8 28.b3 Kf6 29.Re3 Bf5 30.Bd3 Bxd3 31.Rxd3 Rd8 32.Rdg3 Rg8 33.Rd1 Ke5* ½-½ (33) Fantasticinspiration (2881)-Daddy Calling (3039) Blitz 2022 *)* 10...h5 11.Kb1 *(11.Be2 a6 12.Kb1 b5 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qc5 17.Qf4 Bb7 18.g4 hxg4 19.h5 Kg7 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Qh6+ Kf7 22.Bd3 Ke8 23.Qxg6+ Kd7 24.Rh7 Bxd5 25.Bf5+ Kd8 26.Qg7 Rf7 27.Qxg4 Kc7 28.Rxf7 Bxf7 29.b3 Rg8 30.Qe4 e6 31.Bxe6 Bg6 32.Qe2 Re8 33.Rd2 Bf7 34.Bxf7 Rxe2 35.Rxe2 Qg1+ 36.Kb2 Qg7+ 37.Kb1 Qxf7 38.Re3 Qf4 39.Rd3 Kc6 40.a3 Qh2 41.Kb2 Qg1 42.Ka2 Qg7 43.Kb1 Kc5 44.Ka2 a5 45.Kb1 b4 46.axb4+ axb4 47.Kc1 Qg5+ 48.Kb2 Qe5+ 49.Kb1 d5 50.Kc1 d4 51.Kb2 Qb8 52.Kb1 Qa7 53.Kb2 Qa3+ 54.Kb1 Kd5 55.Rd1 Ke5 56.Rd3 Qa6 57.Rd1 Qb6 58.Rd3 Kf4 59.Kb2 Qc5 60.Kb1 Ke5 61.Kb2 Qa5 62.Kb1 Qa3 63.Rd1 Kf4 64.Rd3 Qa7 65.Kb2 Qc5 66.Kb1 Qe5 67.Kb2 Qe1 68.Rxd4+ Kxf3 69.Rd3+ Kf2 70.Rd8 Qe5+ 71.Kb1 Qe1+ 72.Kb2 Qh1 73.Rf8+ Ke3 74.Rc8 Qh6 75.Rc4 Qf6+ 76.Ka2 Qa6+ 77.Kb1 Qa5 78.Kb2 Kd2 79.Kb1 Qa3 80.Rd4+* 1-0 (80) Sexxonthebeach (2837)-Masterof64 (2780) Blitz 2022*)* 11...Bd7 12.Be2 a6 13.g4 hxg4 14.h5 Nxh5 15.Nxc6 bxc6 16.Bh6 Bf6 17.Bxf8 Kxf8 18.fxg4 Ng3 19.Rh7 Be6 20.Qh6+ Kg8 21.Rd3 Rb8 22.Rxg3 Qa5 23.Rh3 Bxa2+ 24.Nxa2 Qe1+ 25.Nc1 Rxb2+ 26.Ka1 Qa5+ 0-1 (26) Cakeinspace (2927)-Lexysexyy (3011) Blitz 2021]

[9...Rb8 10.h4 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Be6 12.h5 Qa5 13.Kb1 Rfc8 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Rxd2 Nxd5 16.exd5 Bxd4 17.dxe6 Bf6 18.exf7+ Kxf7 19.Bd3 Kg7 20.g4 Rc5 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Rdh2 Bg5 23.Rh7+ Kf6 24.Rf1 Bf4 25.c3 b5 26.a3 a5 27.Re1 Re5 28.Rxe5 Bxe5 29.Rh6 Kg5 30.Rxg6+ Kf4 31.Be4 b4 32.cxb4 axb4 33.a4 b3 34.Rh6 Rb4 35.Bc6 Rc4 36.Be4 Rxa4 37.Rh1 e6

38.Rg1 d5 39.Bh7 Ra2 40.Rg2 Kxf3 41.Rd2 Kxg4 42.Bg8 Kf5 43.Rf2+ Bf4 44.Bxe6+ Kxe6 45.Rxf4 Ra8 46.Rb4 Rc8 47.Rxb3 d4 48.Rd3 Kd5 49.Rd2 Ke4 50.Rc2 Rb8 51.Kc1 d3 52.Rc7 Rb3 53.Re7+ Kd5 54.Rd7+ Kc6 55.Rd4 Kc5 56.Rd8 Kc4 57.Kb1 Rb5 58.Kc1 Re5 59.Kd2 Re2+ 60.Kc1 Rc2+ 61.Kd1 Rxb2 62.Rc8+ Kd4 63.Rd8+ Kc3 64.Rc8+ Kd4 65.Rd8+ Ke3 66.Re8+ Kd4 67.Rd8+ ½-½ (67) Arystanner23 (2908)-Brian46 (2716) Blitz 2022]

[9...Ne5 10.g4 Bd7 11.h4 h5 12.Bh6 hxg4 13.h5 Nxh5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.fxg4 Bxg4 16.Be2 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Rh8 18.Rdg1 Kf8 19.Qf2 Rc8 20.Ne6+ 1-0 (20) Vistagausta (2856)-Fellondoz (2876) Blitz 2022]

[9...Na5 10.g4 a6 11.h4 b5 12.h5 Bb7 13.hxg6 hxg6 14.Bh6 1-0 (14) Mikegscarn (2842)-Satoshisbrother (2817) Blitz 2023]

10.exd5

[10.Nxc6 bxc6

A) 11.Bc4 e6 *(11...Qc7 12.exd5 cxd5 13.Bxd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Qb7 15.Qb4 Qa6 16.Nxe7+ Kh8 17.Bd4 Qxa2 18.Bxg7+ Kxg7 19.Qa3 Qxa3 20.bxa3 Be6 21.Nc6 Rfc8 22.Nd4 Bc4 23.Rhe1 Rc7 24.Re3 Ba6 25.Kd2 Rd8 26.c3 Rb7 27.Ke1 Rb2 28.Ne6+ fxe6 29.Rxd8 Rxg2 30.Rxe6 Bc4 31.Re7+ Kf6 32.Rxa7 Rxh2 33.Rd4 Be6 34.Ra6 Kf7 35.c4 Rc2 36.Kd1 Rc3 37.Rf4+ Bf5 38.a4 h5 39.a5 Ke7 40.Rb6 Ra3 41.a6 Kd7 42.c5 Kc7 43.Ke2 Bd3+ 44.Kd2 Bf5 45.Ke1 Ra5 46.Rc4 g5 47.Rh6 h4 48.Rb4 Bc8 49.Rbb6 h3 50.Rh7+ Kd8 51.Rg6 Bd7 52.Rg8+ Kc7 53.Rgg7 Kc6 54.Rxd7 Kxc5 55.Rxh3 Rxa6 56.Rhh7 Rf6 57.Kf2 g4 58.Kg3 gxf3 59.Kf2 Kc4 60.Rc7+ Kd5 61.Rcf7 Ra6 62.Rxf3 Ra2+ 63.Kg3 Ra8 64.Rh5+ Ke4 65.Rh4+ Ke5 66.Rg4 Kd5 67.Re3 Kc5 68.Rf3 Kd5 69.Rgf4 Kc5 70.Rf5+ Kd4 71.R3f4+ Ke3 72.Rf3+ Ke2 73.R5f4 Kd2 74.Kg2 Kc2 75.Rg3 Kd2 76.Rf2+ Ke1 77.Rf1+ Ke2 78.Rf2+ Ke1 79.Rgf3 Kd1 80.Kh2 Ke1 81.Rg2 Rh8+ 82.Rh3 Rg8 83.Rhg3 1-0 (83) Wounded Thirteenth (2906)-Samarqand2021 (2866) Blitz 2022; 11...Be6 12.exd5 cxd5 13.Bb3 a5 14.h4 h5 15.Bd4 Qd7 16.g4 a4 17.Bxd5 Bxd5 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Nxd5 Qe6 20.Rhe1 Qa6 21.gxh5 Bxh4 22.Qh6 Rad8 23.hxg6 1-0 (23) Sicilian Drakon (2819)-Sture1234 (2588) Rapid 2022)* 12.Bb3 *(12.Bh6 dxc4 13.Qxd8 Bxh6+ 14.Kb1 Rxd8 15.Rxd8+ Kg7 16.Rhd1 Bf4 17.Na4 Bc7 18.Nc5 Bb6 19.e5 Nd5* 0-1 (19) Chesssplayer21 (2872)-Yakamuzosan (2779) Blitz 2023 *)*

A1) 12...Bb7 13.Bh6 *(13.Qf2 Qc7 14.Bd4 Rfd8 15.Kb1 e5 16.Bc5 d4 17.Na4 Nd7 18.h4 Nxc5 19.Nxc5 Bc8 20.h5 Qe7 21.Nd3 a5 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.f4 a4 24.Bc4 exf4 25.Qxf4 Be6 26.Bxe6 Qxe6 27.Qh4 a3 28.b3 c5 29.Rdf1 Qc6 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Nf4 Rd6 32.e5 d3 33.cxd3 Ra6 34.exd6 Qxd6 35.Qh3 Qd4 36.Qc8+ Ke7 37.Re1+ Be5 38.Qc7+ Kf6 39.Qxe5+ Qxe5 40.Rxe5 Kxe5*

41.Ne2 Rf6 42.Kc2 Rf2 43.Kd2 Rxg2 44.Rf1 f5 45.Rc1 g5 46.Rxc5+ Kf6 47.Rc4 f4 48.Ke1 Rh2 49.Nc3 f3 50.Rc5 g4 51.Ne4+ Ke6 52.Kf1 Re2 53.Ng3 Rxa2 54.d4 Ra1+ 55.Kf2 a2 56.Ra5 Kd6 57.Ra6+ Kd5 58.Rxa2 Kxd4 0-1 (58) Lqevsll (2847)-Brown Player (2872) Blitz 2022*; 13.h4 dxe4 14.Qf2 Qa5 15.h5 exf3 16.hxg6 hxg6 17.gxf3 Rfd8 18.Kb1 Rxd1+ 19.Rxd1 Qf5 20.Qg3 c5 21.Rf1 Nd5 22.Bxd5 Bxd5 23.Qc7 Bc4 24.Rd1 Qxf3 25.Bxc5 Bxc3 26.Rd8+ Rxd8 27.Qxd8+ Kg7 28.bxc3 Qb7+ 29.Kc1 e5 30.Bf8+ Kh7 31.Be7 Qh1+ 32.Kb2 Qb7+ 33.Kc1 Qb6 34.Qf8 Qe3+ 35.Kb2 Qb6+ 36.Kc1 Qe3+ 37.Kb2 Qb6+ 38.Kc1 ½-½ (38) Kklie4 (2834)-Pfbc (2756) Blitz 2023)*

13...dxe4 14.Bxg7 Qxd2+ 15.Rxd2 Kxg7 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.fxe4 c5 18.Re1 Rfd8 19.Bc4 a5 20.c3 Kf6 21.e5+ Ke7 22.g3 Rxd2 23.Kxd2 a4 24.Ke3 a3 25.b4 cxb4 26.cxb4 Rc8 27.Kd4 g5 28.b5 h5 29.Re3 Ra8 30.Kc5 Rc8+ 31.Kb4 Ra8 32.Rxa3 Rb8 33.Re3 Kf8 34.a4 1-0 (34) Vistagausta (2854)-Mischuk,D (2654) Blitz 2023;

A2) 12...Re8 13.Bh6 Bb7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.h4 dxe4 16.Qe1 Qa5 17.fxe4 h5 18.e5 Ng4 19.Rd7 Bc8 20.Rd6 Qxe5 21.Rxc6 Bb7 22.Qxe5+ Nxe5 23.Rc7 Bxg2 24.Re1 Nf3 25.Rxe6 Nxh4 26.Rxe8 Rxe8 27.Rxf7+ Kh6 28.Rxa7 Re1+ 29.Kd2 Nf3+ 30.Kd3 Bf1+ 31.Ne2 Rxe2 32.Kc3 Re3+ 33.Kb4 h4 34.Bg8 h3 35.Rh7+ Kg5 36.Bd5 Nh4 37.c4 Bg2 0-1 (37) Vistagausta (2810)-Lexisvar (2696) Blitz 2023;

A3) 12...Qc7 13.h4 Rd8 14.h5 Nxh5 15.Bh6 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Qf4+ 17.Qxf4 Nxf4 18.Rh2 Ba6 19.Rdh1 h5 20.g3 d4 21.gxf4 dxc3 22.bxc3 c5 23.f5 exf5 24.exf5 c4 25.Ba4 Rd5 26.Bc6 Rad8 27.Bxd5 Rxd5 28.fxg6 fxg6 29.Rd2 Bb7 30.Rg1 Kf7 31.Rd4 Rxd4 32.cxd4 c3 33.f4 h4 34.Rg4 h3 35.Rh4 Bg2 36.Kd1 Ke6 37.Ke2 Kf5 38.Kd3 Bf1+ 39.Kxc3 Ke4 40.Kb4 Kxd4 41.f5+ Ke5 42.fxg6 1-0 (42) Loin Sn (2923)-Yakamuzosan (2723) Blitz 2025;

B) 11.e5 Nd7 12.f4 e6 13.h4 c5 14.Nb5 Qb6 15.h5 Ba6 16.a4 Rfb8 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.g4 Bxb5 19.axb5 a6 20.c4 d4 21.Bf2 axb5 22.cxb5 Qa7 23.Qc2 Qa1+ 24.Qb1 Qa4 25.Rh3 Rxb5 26.Bxb5 Qxb5 27.Ra3 Rb8 28.Qc2 Nb6 29.Rb3 Qa4 30.Kb1 Bf8 31.f5 c4 32.Rh3 d3 33.Qxa4 Nxa4 34.Bd4 c3 35.Rdxd3 Rxb2+ 36.Kc1 Ba3 37.Bxc3 Rg2+ 38.Kd1 Rxg4 39.Rd8+ Bf8 40.f6 g5 41.Rxf8+ 1-0 (41) Chesstoday (2831)-Smurf42 (2659) Blitz 2021;

C) 11.Bh6

C1) 11...e5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.exd5 cxd5 14.Nxd5 Be6 15.Bc4 Rc8 16.Nxf6 Qxf6 17.Bxe6 Qxe6 18.Kb1 Rfd8 19.Qxd8 Rxd8 20.Rxd8 e4 21.fxe4 Qxe4 22.Rd2 h5 23.b3 h4 24.h3 g5 25.Rhd1 Kg6 26.Kb2 f6 27.c4 Qe5+ 28.Rd4

f5 29.R1d2 g4 30.Kc2 gxh3 31.gxh3 Qg3 32.R4d3 Qe1 33.c5 Qe4 34.Kb2 Qe5+ 35.Rc3 Qf4 36.Rg2+ Kf6 37.c6 Qc7 38.Rd2 f4 39.Rd7 Qe5 40.c7 Qe2+ 41.Rc2 Qe5+ 42.Kc1 Qe3+ 43.Rdd2 Qe1+ 44.Rd1 Qe3+ 45.Kb1 Normal 1-0 (45) Xxysoul6 (2951)-Lav Eli Mi Kri1920 (2751) Blitz 2024;

C2) 11...Rb8

C2a) 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.e5 *(13.exd5 cxd5 14.Nxd5 Qd6 15.Qf4 Qxf4+ 16.Nxf4 h5 17.Bc4 h4 18.Rhe1 e6 19.Nd3 Bb7 20.Ne5 Rfc8 21.b3 Nd5 22.Kb2 a5 23.Bxd5 Bxd5 24.c4 Bxc4 25.Rd7 Bd5 26.Rxf7+ Kg8 27.Ra7 Rc5 28.Nd7 Rbb5 29.Nxc5 Rxc5 30.Rc1* 1-0 (30) Ooopscheck (2859)-Cxcx83 (2675) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Nd7 14.h4 h5 15.g4 Rh8 16.gxh5 Rxh5 17.f4 Qa5 18.Be2 Qb4 19.b3 Rh8 20.h5 Nc5 21.hxg6 Qa3+ 22.Kb1 Bf5 23.Bd3 Nxd3 24.cxd3 fxg6 25.Ne2 c5 26.Ng3 Bg4 27.Rc1 c4 28.dxc4 dxc4 29.Rxh8 Rxh8 30.Rxc4 Be6 31.Rc3 Qb4 32.f5 gxf5 33.Nh5+ Kf7 34.Nf4 Qe4+ 35.Kb2 Qxe5 36.Nxe6 Rh2 37.Ng5+ Kg6 38.Nf3 Rxd2+ 39.Nxd2 Qe2 40.Kc1 f4 41.Nf3 Qxa2 42.Ne5+ Kf5 43.Nc4 e5 0-1 (43) Mikegscarn (2869)-Medarde94 (2886) Blitz 2022;

C2b) 12.h4 Bxh6 *(12...Qb6 13.b3 Rd8 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.h5 Nxh5 16.g4 Bxg4 17.fxg4 dxe4 18.Qe1 Rxd1+ 19.Nxd1 Nf6 20.g5 Nh5 21.Qxe4 Qc5 22.Qe3 Qxe3+ 23.Nxe3 h6 24.gxh6+ Kxh6 25.Be2 e6 26.Ng4+ Kg5 27.Ne5 Nf4 28.Bf3 f5 29.Rg1+ Kh4 30.Nxg6+ Nxg6 31.Rxg6 e5 32.Bxc6 Rd8 33.Re6 e4 34.Bxe4 fxe4 35.Rxe4+ Kg5 36.Re7 a5 37.Re5+* 1-0 (37) Nowiamserious (2814)-Durarbayli (2777) Blitz 2023*)* 13.Qxh6 Qb6 *(13...Qa5 14.a3 dxe4 15.h5 g5 16.Bc4 Qe5 17.Rhe1 Bf5 18.Qxg5+ Kh8 19.fxe4 Nxe4 20.Rxe4* 1-0 (20) Alfiezero (2838)-Quick Mate (2674) Blitz 2021*)* 14.b3 dxe4 *(14...Qa5 15.Kb2 dxe4 16.Qg5 Qf5 17.g4 Qxg5 18.hxg5 Nd5 19.Nxe4 f5 20.gxf6 Nxf6 21.Bc4+ Kg7 22.Nc5 e5 23.Rd6 e4 24.g5 exf3 25.gxf6+ Rxf6 26.Rxh7+ Kxh7 27.Rxf6 Bg4 28.Ne4 Kg7 29.Rf7+ Kh6 30.Nd2* 1-0 (30) Sirjohn13 (2817)-Mrtarrasch (2624) Blitz 2021*)* 15.h5 Qa5 16.hxg6 Qxc3 17.gxh7+ 1-0 (17) Herushkanamura (2924)-Saqochess (2678) Blitz 2022;

C3) 11...Be6 12.exd5 *(12.h4 dxe4 13.Qg5 Qb6 14.h5 Rab8 15.b3 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Qa5 17.Kb2 g5 18.f4 Ng4 19.Qxg5+ Qxg5 20.fxg5 Nf2 21.Be2 Nxh1 22.Rxh1 Rfd8 23.Nxe4 Bf5 24.Ng3 Rd2 25.Nxf5 Rxe2 26.Rf1 Rf8 27.g4 e6 28.Ne7+ Kg7 29.h6+ Kh8 30.g6 hxg6*

31.Nxg6+ fxg6 32.Rxf8+ Kh7 33.g5 Rg2 34.Rf7+ Kh8 35.Rf6 Rxg5 36.Rxe6 Kh7 37.Rxc6 Kxh6 38.Ra6 Rd5 39.Rxa7 g5 40.Re7 g4 41.Re1 g3 42.a4 g2 43.Rg1 Rg5 44.a5 Rxa5 45.Rxg2 Ra8 46.b4 1-0 (46) Yarebore (2815)-Erow (2623) Blitz 2021*)* 12...Nxd5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.h4 h5 15.Qd4+ Nf6 16.Qxd8 Rfxd8 17.Ba6 Nd5 18.Ne4 Ne3 19.Rxd8 Rxd8 20.g3 Bd5 21.Re1 Nf5 22.Bd3 e5 23.Rg1 Nd4 24.Rf1 f5 25.Ng5 Kf6 26.a3 c5 27.c3 Nb3+ 28.Kc2 c4 29.Be2 Bg8 30.Rd1 Rxd1 31.Bxd1 Nc5 32.Be2 e4 33.fxe4 fxe4 34.Nh3 Be6 35.Nf4 Bg4 36.Bxc4 e3 37.Nd5+ Ke5 38.Nxe3 Ne4 39.Bd3 Nxg3 40.Bxg6 Kf4 41.Kd2 Bf3 42.c4 Be4 43.Be8 Ke5 44.b4 Kd4 45.c5 Bf3 46.Nc2+ Kc4 47.Bf7+ Kb5 48.Nd4+ 1-0 (48) Idabble (2890)-Dhonimessi (2660) Blitz 2023;

C4) 11...e6 12.h4 Rb8 13.h5 Qb6 14.b3 Qa5 *(14...d4 15.Bxg7 dxc3 16.Qxc3 Nxh5 17.Bxf8 Kxf8 18.g4 Ng3 19.Rxh7 Ke7 20.g5* 1-0 (20) Lsgeneraal (2819)-Morandi (2646) Blitz 2023*)* 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.e5 Ng8 18.Kb2 c5 19.Qg5 Rf5 20.Qg3 Bd7 21.Bd3 Rf7 22.Rxh7+ Kf8 23.Rxf7+ Kxf7 24.Qxg6+ Ke7 25.Qg7+ Kd8 26.Qxg8+ Kc7 27.Qg7 c4 28.Qe7 cxd3 29.Qd6+ Kc8 30.Rxd3 Rb6 31.Qf8+ Kc7 32.Ne2 Rc6 33.Rc3 Rxc3 34.Nxc3 d4 35.Qd6+ Kc8 36.Qxd4 1-0 (36) Rasulovvugar (2845)-Abdyzhapar,A (2586) Blitz 2021;

C5) 11...Bxh6 12.Qxh6

C5a) 12...Rb8 13.e5 *(13.Bc4 Qb6 14.Bb3 Be6 15.e5 Nd7 16.h4 Nxe5 17.h5 Bf5 18.g4 f6 19.Rdg1 g5 20.gxf5 Qe3+* Normal 0-1 (20) Baidetskyi,V (2816)-Sergeiaza (2637) Blitz 2024 *)*

C5a1) 13...Nd7 14.Rd4 Re8 15.e6 fxe6 16.Bd3 *(16.Rh4 Nf8 17.Ra4 Qb6 18.b3 e5 19.Bd3 Qc5 20.Kb2 Be6 21.h4 e4 22.fxe4 d4 23.Ne2 Qe5 24.Qf4 Qxf4 25.Nxf4 Bf7 26.Rxa7 e5 27.Nh3 h6 28.Rf1 Be6 29.Ng1 c5 30.Rf6 c4 31.Be2 d3 32.cxd3 cxb3 33.a3 Ra8 34.Rxa8 Rxa8 35.Nf3 Kg7 36.Rxe6 Nxe6 37.Nxe5 Nd4 38.Bd1 Kf6 39.Nf3 Rd8 40.Nd2 g5 41.hxg5+ hxg5 42.Nc4 Rh8 43.Ne3 Ke7 44.Bxb3 Kd6 45.Bc4 Kc5 46.Kc3 Rh2 47.a4 Ne2+ 48.Kd2 Nf4 49.a5 Nxg2 50.Ng4 Rh8 51.Kc3 Nf4 52.d4+ Kc6 53.Ne5+ Kd6 54.Nf7+ Ke7 55.Nxh8* 1-0 (55) Crazytogether (2834)-Siddy2006 (2660) Blitz 2022*)* 16...Nf8 17.Ra4 e5 *(17...Qb6 18.h4 Qxb2+ 19.Kd2 Qb6 20.h5 Qf2+ 21.Ne2 d4 22.Rxd4 e5 23.Bc4+ Be6 24.Bxe6+ Nxe6 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Qxg6+ Ng7 27.Rh7* 1-0 (27) Yarebore (2878)-Hungzhao (2730) Blitz

2021) 18.h4 Bf5 19.Bxf5 gxf5 20.Qg5+ Kh8 21.Qxf5 Qd6 22.Re1 Nd7 23.Rxa7 e6 24.Qh5 Ra8 25.a3 Red8 26.Rxa8 Rxa8 27.Nd1 Rb8 28.Nf2 Qc5 29.Nd3 Qd4 30.Qf7 e4 31.fxe4 dxe4 32.Qf4 1-0 (32) Azumilover (2951)-Loin Sn (2811) Blitz 2022;

C5a2) 13...Ne8 14.Rd4 f6 15.Bd3 Rf7 16.Ra4 fxe5 17.h4 Qb6 18.b3 Qc5 19.Kb2 Bf5 20.Bxf5 Rxf5 21.h5 g5 22.Qe6+ Rf7 23.Qxe5 Nd6 24.Qxg5+ Kf8 25.Qe5 Ke8 26.Re1 Rb7 27.Qh8+ Kd7 28.Rd1 Nc4+ 29.Kb1 Ne3 30.Rd3 Nxg2 31.Qg8 Qg1+ 32.Rd1 Qe3 33.Qxf7 Qxc3 34.Rxd5+ cxd5 35.Qxd5+ Ke8 36.Qg8+ Kd7 37.Qd5+ Ke8 38.Qg8+ Kd7 39.Qxg2 Rc7 40.Qe2 Ke8 41.Qd3 Qe5 42.Rd4 Qe1+ 43.Kb2 e5 44.Rd8+ Ke7 45.Rd5 Kf6 46.Rd6+ Kg5 47.f4+ Kxf4 48.Rf6+ Kg4 49.Rf5 e4 50.Rf4+ Kxf4 51.Qd6+ 1-0 (51) Yarebore (2851)-Marcoantonio1919 (2633) Blitz 2021;

C5a3) 13...Nh5 14.g4 Ng7 15.h4 Qb6 16.Bd3 Qxb2+ 17.Kd2 d4 18.Ne4 Qb4+ 19.Ke2 Qa5 20.Ng5 1-0 (20) Hkz2020 (2985)-Kira523 (2878) Blitz 2023;

C5b) 12...Be6 13.e5 Nd7 14.h4 f6 15.h5 g5 16.Bd3 Rf7 17.exf6 exf6 18.Rde1 Ne5 19.Rxe5 fxe5 20.Qxe6 Qf6 21.Qxf6 Rxf6 22.Re1 Re8 23.Kd2 g4 24.fxg4 e4 25.Be2 Rf2 26.Nd1 Rxg2 27.Ne3 Rf2 28.Nf5 c5 29.Ke3 Rh2 30.c3 Re5 31.Kf4 Re8 32.Kg3 1-0 (32) Federicov93 (2917)-Baguliches (2643) Blitz 2021;

C5c) 12...Qa5 13.e5 Nh5 *(13...Nd7 14.h4 f6 15.h5 g5 16.Bd3 Rf7 17.e6 Rg7 18.exd7 Bxd7 19.Rhe1 Rb8 20.a3 d4 21.Bc4+ Kh8 22.Rxd4 Qb6 23.Rxd7 Qxb2+ 24.Kd2 Qxa3 25.Rexe7 Qxe7 26.Rxe7 Rd8+ 27.Kc1 Rxe7 28.Qxf6+ Rg7 29.Qxd8+ Rg8 30.Qxg8#* 1-0 (30) Papus1234 (2823)-Cl3tvsK4s4dy (2712) Blitz 2022*)* 14.g4 Ng7 15.h4 Ne6 16.h5 g5 17.Bd3 1-0 (17) Brittabagels (2852)-Yakamuzosan (2711) Blitz 2022;

C5d) 12...e5

C5d1) 13.h4 d4 14.Bc4 Qe7 *(14...Be6 15.Bb3 Qe7 16.Na4 c5 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.Qg5 Qc7 19.h5 c4 20.hxg6 c3 21.gxh7+ Kh8 22.Rh6 Nxh7 23.Rdh1 Rf7 24.R6h5 Rg8 25.Qxe5+ Qxe5 26.Rxe5 Rxg2 27.bxc3 dxc3 28.Nxc3 Rxf3 29.Nb5 Rf6 30.Nd6 Rff2 31.Rc5 Kg8 32.e5 Re2 33.Rc8+ Nf8 34.Rf1 Rgf2 35.Rxf2 Rxf2 36.c4 Re2 37.c5 Rxe5 38.c6 Rc5+ 39.Kb2 Kg7 40.c7 Rc6 41.Ra8* 1-0 (41) Azumilover (2917)-

Yakamuzosan (2786) Blitz 2023 *)* 15.Ne2 Be6 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.Kb1 Rab8 18.h5 Rb7 19.g4 Rfb8 20.b3 c5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.g5 Ne8 23.f4 c4 24.f5 Qf7 25.Nc1 a5 26.Rdf1 Qg7 27.fxg6 hxg6 28.Qh3 Rb6 29.Rf2 a4 30.Qf1 d3 31.cxd3 cxb3 32.axb3 axb3 33.Rfh2 b2 34.Na2 Ra6 35.d4 Rba8 36.Qc4+ Kf8 37.Rh8+ Ke7 38.R1h7 Rxa2 39.Rxg7+ Nxg7 40.Qc7+ Ke6 41.d5# 1-0 (41) Loin Sn (2929)-Yakamuzosan (2718) Blitz 2025;

C5d2) 13.exd5 cxd5 14.h4 *(14.Qg5 Re8 15.f4 e4 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Qxd5 18.Rxd5 e3 19.Be2 Bb7 20.Rd4 Bxg2 21.Rg1 Bc6 22.Rg3 Re7 23.c4 Rae8 24.Kc2 a5 25.Kc3 f5 26.b3 Re4 27.a3 Kg7 28.b4 axb4+ 29.axb4 Rxd4 30.Kxd4 Re4+ 31.Kc5 Ba8 32.b5 Rxf4 33.Rxe3 Rf2 34.h4 f4 35.Re7+ Kf6 36.Re8 Bb7 37.Bg4 h5 38.Bd7 Kf7 39.Rb8 Be4 40.Bc6 Bxc6 41.bxc6 f3 42.c7* 1-0 (42) Daro94 (2871)-Loin Sn (2792) Blitz 2022*; 14.Bc4 Be6 15.Bb3 d4 16.Bxe6 fxe6 17.Kb1 Rb8 18.b3 Qe7 19.Ne4 Nxe4 20.fxe4 Rf2 21.Rd2 Rbf8 22.Rhd1 a5 23.a4 R2f4 24.Re2 Qa3 25.Qh3 R8f6 26.Qd3 Kg7 27.Qb5 Kh6 28.g3 Rf1 29.Red2 R1f3 30.Rd3 Rxd3 31.Qxd3 Qc5 32.Kb2 Rf2 33.Rd2 Qf8 34.Rxf2 Qxf2 35.h3 Qg2 36.h4 g5 37.hxg5+ Kxg5 38.Qb5 Qxe4 39.Qxa5 Kg4 40.Qa6 Kxg3 41.Qxe6 h5 42.Qg8+ Qg4 43.Qe8 e4 44.Qe5+ Kg2 45.Qxd4 h4 46.Qd2+ Kg3 47.Qd3+ exd3* 0-1 (47) Lovenewuniverse (2819)-Outoftheblu (2688) Blitz 2022 *)* 14...Be6 15.h5 d4 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Ne4 Qc7 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Bf5 20.Bxf5 Rxf5 21.Kb1 Rc8 22.Rd2 a5 23.Qh4 a4 24.a3 Rb8 25.Ka1 Qb7 26.Rb1 Rf7 27.Qg5 Qb5 28.Qg4 Rf6 29.Qe4 Rf4 30.Qe1 Qc5 31.Re2 Rb5 32.Qd2 Rf6 33.Rbe1 Rfb6 34.Rxe5 Qxe5 35.Rxe5 Rxe5 36.Qxd4 Reb5 37.c4 Rb3 38.c5 Rb8 39.c6 Kf7 40.c7 1-0 (40) Brittabagels (2885)-Yearofwhiterabbit (2667) Blitz 2023;

C5d3) 13.Bc4 d4 14.Na4 Rb8 15.b3 Qe7 16.Kb1 Be6 17.Nb2 a5 18.Qg5 Bxc4 19.Nxc4 Rfe8 20.h4 a4 21.h5 Nxe4 22.Qxe7 Nc3+ 23.Ka1 Rxe7 24.Rd2 f6 25.g4 g5 26.Re1 c5 27.Kb2 axb3 28.axb3 Ra7 ½ - ½ (2 8) Toomanymanoevres (2834)-Yearofwhiterabbit (2695) Blitz 2023;

C5d4) 13.Qg5 Re8 *(13...d4 14.Qxe5*

1-0 (14) Azumilover (2958)-Loin Sn (2804) Blitz 2022*; 13...Qd6 14.h4 Kg7 15.h5 h6 16.Qd2 Nxh5 17.exd5 cxd5 18.Qxd5 Qxd5 19.Rxd5 Ng3 20.Rg1 f6 21.Ra5 Nxf1 22.Rxf1 Rf7 23.Rd1 h5 24.Ne4 h4 25.Nd6 Re7 26.c4 Be6 27.c5 f5 28.Re1 Kf6 29.c6 Rc7 30.Rc5 Bxa2 31.Nb5 Re7 32.c7 Rc8 33.Nd6 Rcxc7 34.Ne8+ Rxe8 35.Rxc7 a6 36.Rc6+ Re6 37.Rxe6+ Kxe6 38.Kd2 Bc4 39.f4 e4 40.Rh1 Kd5 41.Ke3 Kc5 42.Rxh4 Kb4 43.Rh6 Kb3 44.Rxg6 Kxb2 45.Rb6+ Kc3 46.Rf6 a5 47.Rxf5 a4 48.Ra5 Kb4 49.Ra7 a3 50.f5 Bb3 51.f6 a2 52.g4 Kb5 53.g5 Ba4 54.Rxa4 Kxa4 55.f7 a1Q 56.f8Q Qc1+ 57.Kxe4 Qxg5 58.Qa8+ Qa5 59.Qxa5+ Kxa5* ½-½ (59) Gbeto (2929)-Sakali (2672) Blitz 2022*) 14.h4 d4 15.h5 Nxh5 16.Qh6 Qf6 17.Ne2 Be6 18.Rxh5 Bxa2 19.Qxh7+ Kf8 20.Qh8+ Ke7 21.Rxe5+ 1-0 (21) Azumilover (3005)-Loin Sn (2822) Blitz 2022]

[10.Qe1 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'This is the pet-line that Leko used to cause get opening advantages yet no wins against Magnus in the match, but later both did collect the full point against Lawrence Trent at Isle of Mans.'

A) 10...e6 11.h4 Qc7

A1) 12.Ndb5 Ris,Robert: '!"Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Ris, Robert: '!" Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: '!"Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert: '!" This basically refutes the setup with 10...e6. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert: 'This basically refutes the setup with 10...e6.'" '"This basically refutes the setup with 10...e6. Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert: 'This basically refutes the setup with 10...e6.'"

A1a) 12...Qa5 Paunovic, Tomislav: '- 61/228' Ramirez Alv'- 61/228 Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav: '- 61/228' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert'" arez,Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert' 13.h5! Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert' *(13.exd5?!* Paunovic, Tomislav: '(Ris,Robert) used to be White's main move, but the main line is stronger.' used to be White's main move, but the main line is stronger.*)* 13...dxe4 14.hxg6 fxg6 *(14...hxg6 15.Qh4 exf3 16.Bg5* Paunovic,Tomislav: 'with a winning attack.' with a winning attack.*)* 15.Be2! Paunovic,Tomislav: 'with the idea to take on e4 and cover the g4-square. Once again, White's initiative looks quite dangerous as I don't see a good plan for Black to activate his ♗ on c8.' with the idea to take on e4 and cover the g4-square. Once again, White's initiative looks quite dangerous as I don't see a good plan for

Black to activate his ♗ on c8. *(15.fxe4 Ng4!?)*;

A1b) 12...Qb8

A1b1) 13.h5 a6 14.Nd4 dxe4 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.Qh4 Qe5 17.Nxc6 bxc6 18.Bd4 Qh5 19.Qxh5 Nxh5 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Nxe4 e5 22.Rd6 Rf7 23.Bc4 Rc7 24.g4 Nf4 25.Nf6 Be6 26.Rxh7+ Kxf6 27.Rxc7 1-0 (27) Sebastian (2818)-Kiewra,K (2433) Chess.com INT 2017;

A1b2) 13.exd5! Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert: '!'' Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: '!''Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert: '!'' '

A1b21) 13...exd5 Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert' Paunovic,Tomislav: '(Ris, Robert) Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert'' 14.h5! *(14.Nxd5?! Nxd5 15.Rxd5 Be6* Paunovic, Tomislav: 'and Black obtains excellent play for the pawn. 'and Black obtains excellent play for the pawn. *)* 14...Nxh5 *(14...a6 15.h6! Bh8 16.Nd4* Paunovic, Tomislav: 'followed by 17.♕d2 with a clear advantage.'followed by 17.♕d2 with a clear advantage.*)* 15.Nxd5 Qe5 16.Nbc3± Paunovic,Tomislav: 'and by transposition we have reached the game Almasi-Georgiev, Groningen 1994. White's pieces are much better coordinated. ' and by transposition we have reached the game Almasi-Georgiev, Groningen 1994. White's pieces are much better coordinated.;

A1b22) 13...Nxd5 14.Nxd5 exd5 15.Qd2 a6 16.Bf4 Be5 Paunovic,Tomislav: 'N?!' 'N?!' ''Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav: 'N?!'' N?!' *(16...Ne5* Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert' Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris, Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert'' *17.Nd4* Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert' *h5 18.g4 hxg4 19.h5* Paunovic,Tomislav: 'looks incredibly dangerous for Black.' looks incredibly dangerous for Black.*)* 17.Bxe5 Qxe5 *(17...Nxe5* Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert' Paunovic,Tomislav: '(Ris, Robert) Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert'' *18.Nc3 Be6 19.Nxd5)* 18.Re1 Paunovic, Tomislav: '!' '!' '!''Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '!'' *(18.Nc3* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,

Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' *d4 19.Ne4 Bf5 20.Bd3 h5 21.g4↑)* 18...Qg3 19.Nc3 Bf5 *(19...d4* Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert' Paunovic,Tomislav: '(Ris, Robert) Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert'' *20.Ne4 Qe5 21.Bc4→)* 20.Nxd5 Paunovic, Tomislav: ' ±''±'"Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: ' ±'" ±' Rfd8 Paunovic,Tomislav: '?!' '?!' '?!'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav: '?!'" ' *(20...Rad8* Paunovic, Tomislav Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav'' *21.Bc4 b5 22.Bb3 Be6 23.Nf6+ Kg7 24.Qg5 Qc7 25.Bxe6 fxe6 26.Ne4±)* 21.Bc4 Paunovic,Tomislav: ''White has finally completed his development and is completely winning. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert: 'White has finally completed his development and is completely winning.'" ' White has finally completed his development and is completely winning. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert: 'White has finally completed his development and is completely winning.'' Rac8

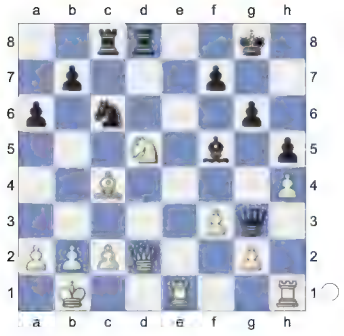
A1b221) Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'The engine comes up with a fascinating way to convert the advantage:'' The engine comes up with a fascinating way to convert the advantage: 22.h5 Paunovic,Tomislav: '!' '!' '!' R'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav: '!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert'" amirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert' Ne5 Paunovic, Tomislav: '

' Paunovic,To'[#] Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '[#]'" mislav: '♘' 23.Kb1! Nxc4 *(23...Rxd5* Paunovic, Tomislav Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav'' *24.Bxd5 Rxc2 25.Bxf7+ Kxf7 26.Qd5+ Kg7 27.h6+*

Kf8 28.Qd6+ Kf7 29.Ka1+-) 24.Ne7+ Kg7 25.Qc3+ Ne5 26.Nxc8 Rxc8 27.Qxe5++- Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: '+-'' Qxe5 Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' 28.Rxe5 Bxc2+ 29.Ka1+-;

A1b222) 22.Bb3!? Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' a5 *(22...h5 23.f4!?+-)* 23.Qg5±;

A1b223) 22.Kb1 Paunovic,Tomislav: '?!' '?!' '?!'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav: '?!'" ' 22...h5 Paunovic,Tomislav: '?!' '?!' '?!' Paunovic, T'Diagram *(22...b5* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' *23.Bb3 a5 24.a3 a4 25.Ba2 h5±)*



Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '?!' Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Diagram [#]'" omislav: 'Diagram [#]' Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Diagram {#}' 23.Qc3 Paunovic,Tomislav: '!' '!' '!''Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav: '!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Black is down a pawn and his position looks very sketchy. His king on g8 does not feel safe and his attack on the c2 pawn isn't quite that strong yet.''' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Black is down a pawn and his position looks very sketchy. His king on g8 does not feel safe and his attack on the c2 pawn isn't quite that strong yet.' *(23.Qh6?* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' *Bxc2+! 24.Ka1 Qd6⇄)* 23...Qxg2 Paunovic, Tomislav: '?' '?' '?' R'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav: '?' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'well, at least Black recovers his material... for now'" amirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '?!' '?!' '?!' Ramirez Alvarez,

Alejandro: 'well, at least Black recovers his material... for now' *(23...Kh7±* Paunovic, Tomislav Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav'') 24.Ne3 Paunovic, Tomislav: '!' '!' '!' R'Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '!' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: '!' '!' '!' '!'" amirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!' '!' '!' Qxf3 *(⌓24...Qd2* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' *25.Qf6 Qd7 26.Rhg1+-)*

A1b2231) 25.Ref1! Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'prevents what happened in the game. For example''' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'prevents what happened in the game. For example' Qg3 *(25...Qe4* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav'' *26.Nxf5+-)* 26.Qf6 Paunovic,Tomislav: '"Paunovic,Tomislav: '+-!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '+-!' '+-!' '+-!' is crushing. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Threatening mate with Bxf7+ and the f5 bishop. Black is positively lost. Ris, Robert: 'is crushing. ''' ' +-!' '+-!' '+-!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '+-!' '+-!' '+-!' is crushing. Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Threatening mate with Bxf7+ and the f5 bishop. Black is positively lost. Ris, Robert: 'is crushing. '';

A1b2232) 25.Rhf1 Paunovic,Tomislav: '?!' '?!' '?!'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav: '?!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!''' ' Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: '?!' '?!' '?!' 25...Qg3

A1b22321) 26.Bxf7+ Paunovic,Tomislav Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!' '!' '!' '!' Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic,Tomislav Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!' '!' '!'"

A1b223211) 26...Kxf7 27.Qc4+ Kf6 *(27...Kg7 28.Nxf5+ gxf5*

29.Rg1+- *)* 28.Nxf5+- Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'gets swiftly mated.''' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'gets swiftly mated.';

A1b223212) 26...Kh7 27.Nxf5 Qxc3 28.bxc3 gxf5 29.Rxf5+-;

A1b22322) 26.Qf6 Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav''Be4 27.Bxf7+ *(27.a3!?)* 27...Kh7 28.Rg1 Qd6 29.Qxd6 Rxd6 30.Nc4+-;

A1b22323) 26.Rg1 Qe5 27.Nxf5 Qxc3 28.bxc3 Paunovic,Tomislav: '+-' '+-' '+-'Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '+-''' Kf8 29.Nh6 *(29.Ng3* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav''*Ne5 30.Rxe5 Rxc4 31.Ne4* Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris, Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'is an extra piece that White should eventually convert.''' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'is an extra piece that White should eventually convert.' *)* 29...Ne5

A1b223231) 30.Bb3 Paunovic, Tomislav Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav''Nc4 *(30...f6 31.Rxe5 fxe5 32.Rxg6* Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-' Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris, Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: '+-' '+-' '+-''') 31.Kc1 *(31.Bxc4* Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro Paunovic, Tomislav: '(Ris, Robert) Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro' *Rxc4 32.Ref1* Paunovic,Tomislav: 'should be winning somehow.' should be winning somehow. *)*;

A1b223232) 30.Bxf7 Paunovic, Tomislav: '?' '?' '?' R'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '?' Ramirez Alvarez,

Alejandro: '?!' '?!' '?!' '?!''' amirez Alvarez,Alejandro: '?!' '?!' '?!' 30...Nf3 31.Bxg6 Nxe1 32.Rxe1 Paunovic,Tomislav: '?' '?' '?' R'Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '?' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '?' '?' '?' '?'" amirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '?' '?' '?' *(32.Bxh5!* Paunovic,Tomislav Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '+-!' '+-!' '+-!' '+-!' Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: '+-!' '+-!' '+-!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'keeps the knight on e1 trapped!''' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'keeps the knight on e1 trapped!' *Rd5 33.Rf1+ Kg7 34.Nf5+ Rxf5 35.Rxf5 Rxc3 36.Rf7+ Kg8 37.Rf2±)* 32...Kg7 33.Bf5 *(⌓33.Nf7* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'')

33...Rc6 Paunovic,Tomislav: '=!' '=!' '=!'Ris, Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '=!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!' '!' '!' '!'" ' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!' '!' '!' 34.Re7+ Kf8 35.Rf7+ Ke8 Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Strangely, now White is forced into a very awkward position with his minor pieces.''' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Strangely, now White is forced into a very awkward position with his minor pieces.' 36.Rh7 Rd1+ *(36...Rdd6* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' *37.Rh8+ Ke7 38.Rh7+ Kf8=)* 37.Kb2 Rb6+ 38.Ka3 Rdd6 Paunovic, Tomislav: 'Ris, Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'the knight is trapped'''

Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'the knight is trapped' 39.Rh8+ *(39.Nf7?* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' *Rd5∓* Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'is a double attack on the bishop and a5... mate!'''' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'is a double attack on the bishop and a5... mate!'*;* *39.Bd7+* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' *Rxd7* *40.Rh8+* *Ke7* *41.Nf5+* *Ke6* *42.Rh6+* *Kxf5* *43.Rxb6* *Kg4* *44.Rb4+* *Kg3* *45.Ka4* *Rc7=)* 39...Ke7 40.Ng8+ *(40.Rh7+* Paunovic,Tomislav Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav'' *Kf8* *41.Rh8+* *Kg7* *42.Rh7+* *Kf8=)* 40...Kf7 41.c4 Rdc6 Paunovic, Tomislav: '!' '!' '!' R'Ris,Robert: 'Paunovic, Tomislav: '!' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!' '!' '!' '!'' amirez Alvarez, Alejandro: '!' '!' '!' 42.Bd3 Kg7 Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Ris,Robert: 'Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Black wins back the exchange and eventually drew the game.''' Ramirez Alvarez, Alejandro: 'Black wins back the exchange and eventually drew the game.' 43.Rxh5 Kxg8 44.Rd5 Rc7 45.h5 Kg7 46.c5 Rb1 47.c4 Rh1 48.Kb4 Rh2 49.a4 Kh6 50.Ka5 Rb2 51.Be4 Rb3 52.Re5 Rb2 53.c6 bxc6 54.Re6+ Kxh5 55.Rxc6 Re7 56.Bd5 Kg5 57.Rxa6 Kf5 58.Bc6 Ke5 59.Bb5 Rb7 60.Ra8 Kd6 61.Ka6 Rc7 62.Rd8+ Kc5 63.a5 Rh7 64.Rb8 Ra2 65.Rb6 Rg7 66.Rc6+ ½-½ (66) Topalov,

V (2816)-Lu,S (2599) Baku AZE 2015 [Ris,Robert];

A1b3) 13.g4?! Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert' Paunovic, Tomislav: '(Ris,Robert) Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Ris,Robert'' a6 Paunovic, Tomislav: 'only complicated matters in Sanal-Chatalbashev, Golden Sands 2014.' only complicated matters in Sanal-Chatalbashev, Golden Sands 2014.;

A1b4) 13.Bc5 Rd8 14.h5 a6 15.Nd4 Nxh5 16.exd5 Qf4+ 17.Kb1 Nxd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.Ne2 Qe5 20.Rxd4 Rxd5 21.Rxd5 exd5 22.Qh4 Bd7 23.g4 Nf6 24.Nc1 Re8 25.Bd3 h5 26.f4 Qd6 27.gxh5 Nxh5 28.f5 Qf4 29.fxg6 Qxh4 30.Rxh4 Nf6 31.gxf7+ Kxf7 32.c3 Re3 33.a4 Ke7 34.Rb4 Bc6 35.Kc2 Nd7 36.Nb3 Rh3 37.Nd4 Rh2+ 38.Kb1 Nc5 39.Bc2 Bd7 40.a5 Rh6 41.Ka2 Kd8 42.Ka3 Kc7 43.Nb3 Nxb3 44.Bxb3 Bc6 45.Rd4 Rh5 46.Bd1 Kd6 47.Bxh5 1-0 (47) Betterattictactoe (2863)-Lu, S (2956) Blitz 2022;

A2) 12.Kb1 a6 13.h5 Nxh5 14.exd5 Nxd4 15.Rxd4 Rd8 16.g4 Nf6 17.d6 Rxd6 18.Bf4 Ne8 19.Rxd6 Nxd6 20.Qh4 h5 21.gxh5 Qb6 22.hxg6 Nf5 23.Qh7+ Kf8 24.Be5 Qe3 25.Bxg7+ Nxg7 26.Bd3 b5 27.Qh8+ 1-0 (27) Medarde94 (2886)-Vladimirovich9000 (2925) Blitz 2021;

B) 10...Qa5 11.Nb3 Qc7 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nb4 14.Qxb4 1-0 (14) Elconceto (2876)-Bloodyeagle (2691) Blitz 2022;

C) 10...Rb8 11.g4 e6 12.Kb1 Bd7 13.h4 dxe4 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Bd4 exf3 16.g5 Nd5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Ne4 e5 19.Nf6 Bf5 20.Nxd5 cxd5 21.Qxe5+ f6 22.Qd4 Qb6 23.gxf6+ Rxf6 24.Qxb6 Rfxb6 25.b3 Be4 26.Bd3 Rf8 27.Rh2 f2 28.Rf1 Rbf6 29.Kc1 h6 30.Kd2 g5 31.hxg5 hxg5 32.Ke2 Bf3+ 33.Ke3 Bg4 34.Rhxf2 d4+ 0-1 (34) Elconceto (2866)-Gmalexmista (2614) Blitz 2024;

D) 10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Qa5 12.Bxf6 Bxf6 13.Nxd5 Qxa2 14.Nxf6+ exf6 15.Qc3 Qa4 16.Qxf6 Be6 17.Bd3 Rac8 18.Kd2 Rfd8 19.Ke3 Rd6 20.h4 Rdc6 21.h5 Bc4 22.Qd4 Qb5 23.h6 Qg5+ 24.Kf2 f6 25.Qd7 Bf7 26.c3 Rb6 27.Qxc8+ 1-0 (27) Anythingbutaverage (2861)-Drstrange8 (2700) Blitz 2024;

E) 10...e5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'On my own repertoire DVD I recommended 10...e6 for Black, but since then White has found improvements and in his book Jones rightfully preferred 10...e5.' 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.exd5 'Collins,Sam: 'Bringing the knight to c4 to target the black b6- and d6-pawns.''Bringing the knight to c4 to target the black b6- and d6-pawns. Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Bringing the knight to c4 to target

the black b6- and d6-pawns.''' ' *(12.Bc5 Re8 13.Bc4 Be6 14.Bb3 Qc7 15.Kb1 Nd7 16.Ba3 d4 17.Na4 c5 18.Bxe6 Rxe6 19.c4 Rb8 20.Rd3 Ra6 21.Qd1 Qc6 22.Nxc5 Nxc5 23.Bxc5 Qxc5 24.Qc2 Bh6 25.Rhd1 Be3 26.Rb3 Rc8 27.Rxe3 dxe3 28.Rd5 Qxc4 29.Rd8+ Kg7 30.Rxc8 Qf1+ 31.Qc1 e2* 0-1 (31) Dmdonch (2820)-Fastlikethewind (2695) Blitz 2022 *)*

E1) 12...cxd5

E1a) 13.Bc4 Be6 14.Bg5 Qc7 *(14...Rc8 15.Bxd5 Nxd5 16.Bxd8 Nxc3 17.Be7 Bh6+ 18.Rd2 Rfe8 19.bxc3 Rxe7 20.Kb2 Rb7+ 21.Ka1 Rcb8 22.Rd6 Bf5 23.Qd1 Bg5 24.g4 Be6 25.Rxe6 fxe6 26.Qd6 Kg7 27.a4 h6 28.h4 Bf4 29.h5 g5 30.Qxe6 Rb6 31.Qe7+ Kh8 32.Rd1* 1-0 (32) Thedirector (2813)-Cd Brenadrez (2609) Blitz 2024*)* 15.Bxf6 dxc4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Kb1 Rab8 18.Ka1 Rb6 19.h4 Rfb8 20.Rb1 h5 21.Rg1 Bf5 22.Qe2 Qc5 23.Rgd1 Qa5 24.Rd5 Qxc3 0-1 (24) Mrdalica (2826)-Tigerlilov (2658) Blitz 2023;

E1b) 13.Bg5 d4 14.Qxe5 Qb6 15.Qxd4 Qxd4 16.Rxd4 Be6 17.Rd2 a5 18.Bb5 Rfc8 19.Rhd1 h5 20.Be3 Kh7 21.a4 Rc7 22.Rd8 Rac8 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.Bb6 Bh6+ 25.Kb1 Bf4 26.h3 Bc7 27.Bxc7 Rxc7 28.Rd4 g5 29.Ne4 Nxe4 30.Rxe4 Kg6 31.Bd3 Kf6 32.b3 h4 33.Kc1 Rc5 34.Kd2 Bf5 35.Rd4 Ke5 36.c3 Bxd3 37.Kxd3 f5 38.b4 axb4 39.cxb4 Rc1 40.Rc4 Rd1+ 41.Ke2 Ra1 42.a5 Ra2+ 43.Kf1 Kd5 44.Rc5+ Kd4 45.Rxf5 Ke3 46.Kg1 1-0 (46) Elconceto (2832)-Jfriedel (2646) Blitz 2023;

E2) 12...Nxd5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Magnus took with the c-pawn - 12...cxd5 - but after 13.♗g5 ♗e6 14.♗c4 it has now been established that Black just suffers, which the games illustrated well.
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E2a) 13.Bc5 Bh6+ *(13...Re8 14.Ne4 Be6 15.h4 h5 16.Bc4 Qc7 17.Kb1 Nf4 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.Qc3 Nd4 20.Qc4 Red8 21.c3 Ne6 22.Kc2 Rd5 23.Rxd5 cxd5 24.Qxd5 Rd8 25.Bd6 Qb6 26.Rd1 Nf4 27.Qc5 Nxg2 28.Qxb6 axb6 29.Be7 Ne3+* 0-1 (29) Elconceto (2843)-Lav Eli Mi Kri1920 (2781) Blitz 2024*)* 14.Kb1 Nxc3+ 15.bxc3 Rb8+ 16.Ka1 Qa5 17.Bb4 *(17.Bxf8 Bxf8 18.Bc4 Ba3 19.Bb3 Be6 20.Rd3 Bf5 21.Re3 Bd6 22.f4 e4 23.g4 Bxg4 24.Rxe4 Kg7 25.Rf1 Bf5 26.Rc4 c5 27.Ra4 Qc7 28.Qe3 Be7 29.Qe5+ Qxe5 30.fxe5 Rb7 31.Bd5 Rc7 32.Ra6 Bg5 33.e6 fxe6 34.Bxe6 Bxc2 35.Rd6 Bf6 36.Kb2 Be4 37.Rd7+ Rxd7 38.Bxd7 c4 39.Bb5 Bd3 40.Re1 h5 41.Re8 Bg5 42.Rc8 Bf4 43.h3 g5 44.Bxc4 Be4 45.Be6 Bg2 46.c4 Kf6 47.Bd7 Ke5 48.c5*

Kd4 49.c6 Be5 50.Kb3 Kd5 51.Kb4 Kd6 52.Bf5 Bf4 53.Kb5 Bf1+ 54.Kb4 Bd2+ 55.Kb3 Ba5 56.Bd7 Bc7 57.Rh8 Bg2 58.Rxh5 Bd5+ 59.Kc3 Be4 60.Rh6+ Kc5 61.Rh5 Ba5+ 62.Kb2 Bd5 63.Rxg5 Bb6 64.Be6 Kd6 65.Bxd5 1-0 (65) Asadli2001 (2833)-Daubon (2726) Blitz 2021 *)* 17...Qa4 18.Bc4 Rxb4 19.cxb4 Qxc2 20.Bb3 Qxg2 21.Qe4 Bf5 22.Qxf5 e4 23.Bxf7+ Kh8 0-1 (23) Mrbochwalt (2893)-Neslracsungam77 (3007) Blitz 2021;

E2b) 13.Bb5 Bb7 14.Bc4 Qc7 15.Bc5 Rfd8 16.Ne4 f5 17.Ng5 Qd7 18.h4 h6 19.Nh3 a5 20.g4 Ba6 21.Bxa6 Rxa6 22.Rg1 Rb8 23.c4 e4 24.cxd5 Bxb2+ 25.Kc2 cxd5 26.gxf5 Qa4+ 27.Kd2 Qc4 28.Qe3 d4 29.Qxe4 Bc3+ 30.Kc1 Qxc5 31.Rxg6+ Rxg6 32.fxg6 Be1+ 33.Qc2 Qa3+ 34.Qb2 Qxb2# 0-1 (34) BIZOO (2855)-Ocinitram (2648) Blitz 2022;

E2c) 13.h4 h6 14.h5 g5 15.g4 Be6 16.Bc4 Re8 *(16...Qf6 17.Bc5 Qf4+ 18.Kb1 Qxc4 19.Ne4 Nf4 20.b3 Qe2 21.Bxf8 Qxe1 22.Rhxe1 Rxf8 23.Rd6 f5 24.gxf5 Bxf5 25.Rxc6 Nxh5 26.Rc7 Nf4 27.Rxa7 Ne6 28.Kb2 Nd4 29.Nd6 Nxf3 30.Rd1 e4+ 31.Ka3 e3 32.Re7 Bxc2 33.Rf1 Ra8+ 34.Kb4 Bf8 35.Rxe3 Bxd6+ 36.Kc3 Rc8+ 37.Kb2 Be5+ 38.Ka3 Bc3 39.Ka4 Nd4 40.Rxc3 Rxc3* 0-1 (40) Crazysage (2811)-Samarqand2021 (2912) Blitz 2022 *)* 17.Ne4 Qc7 18.Bc5 Red8 19.Rd3 Nf4 20.Rc3 Qa5 21.Bxe6 Nxe6 22.a3 Rab8 23.Rb3 Qxe1+ 24.Rxe1 Rxb3 25.cxb3 Nd4 26.Bxd4 exd4 27.Rd1 Be5 28.Kc2 f5 29.Nc5 fxg4 30.fxg4 Rf8 31.Re1 Rf2+ 32.Kd3 Bg7 33.Re2 Rf3+ 34.Kc4 Rg3 35.Re4 Rg2 36.Nd3 Rc2+ 37.Kb4 c5+ 38.Nxc5 Bf8 39.Re8 Rxc5 0-1 (39) Crazysage (2812)-Samarqand2021 (2772) Blitz 2022;

E2d) 13.Bc4 Be6

E2d1) 14.Kb1 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Especially two games by Wei Yi in 2013 made this particular move popular as Black just seemed to suffer. In his book Jones recommends 14...♖b8 which even was played shortly after this game in Gibraltar against Duda. Gawain however cunningly deviates from his own recommendation, obviously taking the World Champion by surprise, as he now started spending considerable amounts of times for his next moves:'

E2d11) 14...Rb8 15.Bb3

E2d111) 15...Qc7 16.Bc5 *(16.h4 Rfd8*

17.h5 Nxc3+ 18.Qxc3 e4 19.Qc5 Rxd1+ 20.Rxd1 exf3 21.gxf3 Bxb3 22.axb3 a5 23.h6 Bf8 24.Qd4 c5 25.Qf6 Qe7 26.Qxe7 Bxe7 27.Rd7 Bf6 28.Ra7 c4 29.Bf4 Rc8 30.bxc4 g5 31.Bd6 Bd4 32.c5 f5 33.Rxa5 g4 34.fxg4 fxg4 35.Ra4 Bxc5 36.Rxg4+ Kf7 37.Rc4 1-0 (37) Medarde94 (2824)-zaguer (2626) Blitz 2021*)* 16...Rfd8 17.Ne4 h6 18.g4 Rd7 19.h4 Rbd8 20.h5 g5 21.Qf2 Nf4 22.Rxd7 Rxd7 23.Be3 Bxb3 24.axb3 Ne6 25.c3 a5 26.Kc2 Rd5 27.Ra1 Rb5 28.Qe2 Qb7 29.Nd6 Qb8 30.Nxb5 cxb5 31.Rxa5 Qc7 32.Rxb5 Nd4+ 33.Bxd4 exd4 34.Qe8+ Kh7 35.Rb8 1-0 (35) Mrdalica (2848)-Equaliz3R (2746) Blitz 2023;

E2d112) 15...f5 16.Ne4 fxe4 17.fxe4 a5 18.exd5 cxd5 19.Qd2 Kh8 20.Bxd5 Bxd5 21.Qxd5 Qh4 22.Qxa5 Qe4 23.Qd2 Qb7 24.b3 Rfc8 25.Rhf1 Ra8 26.Bh6 Bxh6 27.Qxh6 Qe7 28.Rde1 Qa3 29.Rf2 Qxa2+ 30.Kc1 Rd8 31.Rd2 Qa1# 0-1 (31) Medarde94 (2841)-Mircica (2660) Blitz 2021;

E2d113) 15...a5 16.Qd2 *(16.Bc5 Re8 17.Ne4 Rb5 18.c4 Rxc5 19.Nxc5 Bf5+ 20.Ne4 a4 21.Bc2 a3 22.cxd5 cxd5 23.Bb3 dxe4 24.fxe4 Qf6 25.Rf1 Rb8 26.exf5 e4 27.Qc3* 1-0 (27) Mrdalica (2863)-Chess Impression (2742) Blitz 2023*; 16.h4 Qc7 17.h5 Rfd8 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Nxd5 cxd5 20.Qh4 f6 21.Qh7+ Kf7 22.Bh6 Rg8 23.f4 a4 24.Bxa4 exf4 25.Bb3 Rbd8 26.Rhe1 Qc6 27.a4 Qd6 28.a5 Qc6 29.Rd2 g5 30.Rde2 Rd6 31.a6 Qxa6 32.Rxe6 Rxe6 33.Bxd5* 1-0 (33) Medarde94 (2832)-Gryzlo (2725) Blitz 2021*)* 16...Qe7 17.Ne4 Rfd8 18.Bc5 Qb7 19.Qxa5 Ra8 20.Qd2 Rdb8 21.a3 h6 22.Rhe1 Nf4 23.Bb4 Bd5 24.Nc5 Qb5 25.g3 Bxb3 26.gxf4 Bd5 27.fxe5 Bxf3 28.Rc1 Bd5 29.b3 Qb6 30.Nd7 Qa7 31.Nxb8 Rxb8 32.a4 Be6 33.Re3 c5 34.Ba3 c4 35.Bd6 Rb7 36.b4 c3 37.Qxc3 Qxa4 38.Qa3

Qb5 39.Rd1 h5 40.Kb2 Bh6 41.Rc3 Bf4 42.Rc5 Qe2 43.Qa8+ Kh7 44.Qxb7 Qxd1 45.Rc7 Qc1+ 46.Kc3 Qa1+ 47.Kd3 Qf1+ 48.Kc3 Qe1+ 49.Kb2 Bc1+ 50.Kb1 Bd2+ 51.Kb2 Qc1# 0 - 1 (5 1) Betterattictactoe (2880)-Frutek (2621) Blitz 2022;

E2d12) 14...Qc7 15.Nxd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Bxd5 17.Rxd5 e4 18.Qa5 Qb7 19.Qb5 Qc8 20.Qc5 Rb8 21.b3 Qa6 22.Bd4 Rfc8 23.Qd6 Qe2 24.Rc1 Rd8 25.Qxd8+ Rxd8 26.Rxd8+ Bf8 27.Bc5 exf3 28.Bxf8 h5 29.Bc5+ Kh7 30.Bd4 g5 31.gxf3 Qxf3 32.Bxa7 g4 33.a4 Qf4 34.Bg1 Kg6 35.a5 Qc7 36.Rd5 Qb7 37.Rd6+ Kg5 38.a6 Qa8 39.a7 f5 40.Rcd1 1-0 (40) Tayka (2844)-Theredking89 (2727) Blitz 2021;

E2d13) 14...Re8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' 15.Ne4 *(15.Bb3 Qc7 16.Ne4 a5 17.Nc5 Reb8 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.a4 Kh8 20.h4 e4 21.fxe4 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Qe5 23.Qc3 Qxe4 24.Qe1 Qxe1 25.Rhxe1 c5 26.Re4 Bf6 27.h5 gxh5 28.Rd6 Rb4 29.Rdxe6 Rxe4 30.Rxe4 h4 31.c3 Kg7 32.Re6 Rd8 33.Kc2 Kg6 34.Bc4 Kf5 35.Re2 Be5 36.Bd3+ Kf6 37.Bxh7 Rd7 38.Bd3 Bf4 39.Bb5 Re7 40.Rf2 Kg5 41.Kb3 Re3 42.Kc4 Re5 43.Bc6 Kg4 44.Bd5 Kg3 45.Rc2 Be3 46.Re2 Bf4 47.Rxe5* 1-0 (47) Mrdalica (2837)-Sergeiaza (2690) Blitz 2025 *)* 15...f5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A strong novelty.' 16.Ng5 Bc8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Nielsen,PH: '. Here the world champion casually played" Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'This is the point. Surprisingly there is no way White can really exploit Black's loss of time.

From a practical point of view its tempting for White to try and find a move that might push Black out of his preparations and force "man vs. man" situations, and after a few minutes Magnus lashed out with:

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E2d131) 17.g4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '??' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Nielsen,PH: ', offering a pawn to open lines on the kingside. He didn't

intend to offer a piece, but after'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'This is logical, as after 17...h6 18.♘e4 why wouldn't it be better that White immediately threatened to open the gfile? However 17.h4 was not only an aggressive move, it also had the advantage of protecting the knight at g5, which means that after...' f4 Perunovic, Milos: 'N''Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos: 'N''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Nielsen,PH: 'his bishop was hanging and the defence of his knight on g5 was cut off. Carlsen quickly pulled himself together and gained some extremely faint compensation for the piece after'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '... the shocking reality is that Black is winning a piece! Magnus in an interview afterwards admitting to that simply having blundered.'

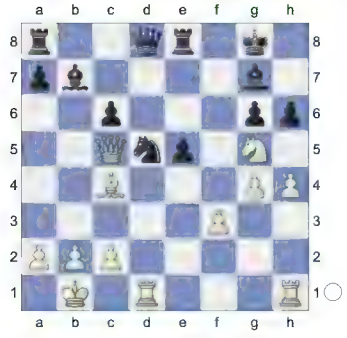
E2d1311)

Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Else a possible explanation could be invented that' 18.Bxf4 exf4 Perunovic,Milos: '∞' 19.Rxd5 Perunovic, Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' cxd5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' *(* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'but not' *19...Rxe1+* and now: *20.Rd1+* has yet to be tried. After Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' *)* 20.Bxd5+ Qxd5 the position remains complex, but Black is fine. 21.Qxe8+ Bf8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'is sufficient as Black's queen covers the f7-square thus leaving White with no effective follow up.

Even more interesting, online spectators where speculating that Magnus was inspired by the sensational attacking games of Alphazero where material considerations seemed to be less important to artificial intelligence that humans so far had seemed to appreciate. Still right now that's a stretch, Black is just a piece up and resignation

would in principle be a viable option for White, but as the World Champion stated in the post game interview that the psychological situation had completely changed. White has indeed lost a piece, but also any kind of expectations for a result, while for Jones obviously the reverse must have been true. All pressure is now on the Englishman:';
E2d1312) 18.h4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'After all Fischer had a point. It's all about h4-h5 and mate against the Dragon!' 18...fxe3 19.Qxe3 'Collins,Sam: '!?' '!?' Collins,Sam: 'Bringing the rook into play along the third 'Bringing the rook into play along the third rank. Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: '!?' Collins,Sam: 'Bringing the rook into play along the third rank.'" rank." Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Nielsen,PH: '. He even won, when his opponent faltered under the pressure of having a winning position against the world champion. --- Curiously, Magnus had lost a piece to the same type of tactic some years earlier." h6 20.Qc5 Bb7 'Diagram Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Objectively the strongest move,' (Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'but' *20...hxg5* Perunovic,Milos: '+-' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'was worth considering. White gets back one piece with some interest after' *21.Qxc6* 'Collins,Sam: ' ± ' ± ' Collins,Sam: 'followed by ...Nd2-b3 gave more prospects of count'followed by ... Nd2-b3 gave more prospects of counterplay. Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: ' ± ' Collins,Sam: 'followed by ...Nd2-b3 gave more prospects of counterplay.'" erplay." *Be6* Perunovic, Milos: ' ± ' Perunovic,

Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' *22.Bxd5* and White is for choice. Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' *Bxd5* when White can't easily develop his c1-bishop. After *23.Rxd5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'but' *Qb6* Perunovic,Milos: ' ⩲' *24.Qc4* Perunovic, Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' *Qe6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'while being less advantages based on engine-evalution still should be plenty to win the game as after' *25.hxg5 e4* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'the black Dragon bishop comes to life and after all, is an extra piece!' *)*

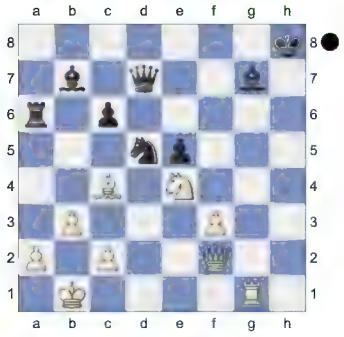


Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram [#]''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' 21.Ne4 White could still switch his king to the other side: Re6 22.h5 Qb6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Somewhat understandably Gawain wants ot exchange queens, and simultaneously puts it on a logical square eying the b-pawn in the open b-line.' *(* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'However' *22...g5* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'would effectively shut down White's counterplay on the kingside, and while it does weaken the f5-square and the white squares in general, its not nearly enough for a piece.' *)* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Now however:' 23.g5 The knight reaches its outpost, but it will soon be traded. Nielsen, Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Norwegian Grandmaster Johan Salomon got it spot

on here, while tweeting that things has turned 180 degrees predicting a white win, while the engines indeed still shows Black is safely winning. Black is still a piece up, but he has gone from having the kingside under control, to now entering chaos.' hxg5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' (Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The primary problem of course is that' *23...Qxc5* Perunovic,Milos: ' ⩲' Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'while it does exchange the queens, does lose material immediately after' *24.Nxc5* with ideas of queenside expansion Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'as' *Re7!* indeed looks like White's best chance for an advantage, for example *25.Nxb7 Rxb7 26.Rxd5* Perunovic, Milos: ' ±' Nielsen, Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'wins.'; *23...Bf8* Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'would have prevented White's next move, and while' *24.Qg1* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' *Qxg1 25.Rdxg1* Perunovic,Milos: ' ±' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'still is a decent initiative for White, the lack of queens does make a noticeable difference.') 24.Qa3 Rb8 25.b3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'A great move. Sure it blocks White's queen from the 3rd rank, but it can be regrouped via c1 if neccesary, and mainly now it's all about king safety: Black's will be exposed, while White now having removed the weakness of b2, to the safely defended b3, will not have to bother in the sligthest about a black counterattack in the process.

Stockfish despite being a piece down already gives 0.00 indicating equality, but I'm sure, were Alphazero not busy with new important research projects, it would tell us White already is winning as his long-term initiative is unstoppable.' Qd8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Technically the losing move. 25... gxh5 or 25...g4 was a better chance.' 26.Qxa7 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'It's not so much the pawn, but more the attack along the 7th rank that matters, as well as again the queen could go to g1 attacking along the g-file if need be.' gxh5 27.Rxh5 Perunovic,Milos: '!?''Collins,Sam: 'White had no objective reason to decline the repetition, but this move gets full marks for fighting spirit and visual appeal!''White had no objective reason to decline the repetition, but this move gets full marks for fighting spirit and visual appeal! Perunovic, Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'White had no objective reason to decline the repetition, but this move gets full marks for fighting spirit and visual appeal!''' 'Rg6 28.Rxg5 Rxg5 After the trade of rooks, Black'Collins, Sam: 'Perunovic, Milos: '?!''' 's king and bishop are able to cover all the entry squares, and White does not have a breakthrough. Perunovic,Milos: '?!' 29.Nxg5 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Exploiting that the rook on b8 is unprotected should Black take the knight on g5.' Qc8 30.Rg1 Ra8 Perunovic,Milos: '?''Collins,Sam: 'Withdrawing the active queen is a step in the wrong direction. The counterplay against g2 is easily handled. ''Withdrawing the active queen is a

step in the wrong direction. The counterplay against g2 is easily handled. Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Withdrawing the active queen is a step in the wrong direction. The counterplay against g2 is easily handled. "' ' 31.Qb6 'Collins,Sam: ' ±''±' Collins,Sam: 'Consolidating the bishop on a powerful o'Consolidating the bishop on a powerful outpost. Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: ' ±' Collins,Sam: 'Consolidating the bishop on a powerful outpost.'" utpost." Ra6 32.Qc5 Qd7 33.Ne4 Kh8 34.Qf2 'Diagram



Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram [#]''' Qe7 35.Bxa6 Perunovic, Milos: '+-''Collins, Sam: 'Perunovic, Milos: '+-''' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Direct attack also would have decided the game, but almost with a touch of irony, Magnus gets materialistic in the end.' Bxa6 36.Qh2+ 'Collins, Sam: '+-' '+-' Collins, Sam: 'Now White dominates the open c-file, with prospects of both a kingside attack and simply queening his a-pawn, supported by the white bishop 'Now White dominates the open c-file, with prospects of both a kingside attack and simply queening his a-pawn, supported by the white bishop pair. Perunovic, Milos: 'Collins,Sam: '+-' Collins,Sam: 'Now White dominates the open c-file, with prospects of both a kingside attack and simply queening his a-pawn, supported by the white bishop pair.''' pair.'' Kg8 37.Qh6 Qa7

38.Qe6+ Kf8 39.Rg5 Ne3 40.Qd6+ Kf7 41.Nc5 Bc8 42.Rxg7+ ½-½ (42) Carlsen,M (2881)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2860) chess24.com 2020 [David Cummings]'Collins, Sam: 'Black loses a pawn with a hopeless endgame, and resigned."Black loses a pawn with a hopeless endgame, and resigned. Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Black loses a pawn with a hopeless endgame, and resigned.''' ' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Nielsen,PH: '1-0 (42) Carlsen,M (2834)-Jones,G (2640) Wijk aan Zee 2018 CBM 183 [Nielsen,PH]'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'As 42...♔xg7 43. ♕xe5+ followed by 44.♕xe3 leaves White a healthy 3 pawns up, Black resigned.';

E2d132) Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'One more idea is' 17.Bb3 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Golubev,M' f4 18.h4 *(* Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'Black should be able to survive also' *18.Ne4 fxe3 19.c4 Be6* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' *20.cxd5 cxd5 21.Qxe3* Nielsen,Peter Heine: '=') 18...fxe3 19.c4 e4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' 20.cxd5 Qf6 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'and White has an easy draw, for example, ' 21.dxc6+ Kh8 Perunovic,Milos: ' ±' 22.Nf7+ Kg8 Perunovic,Milos: ' ±' 23.Ng5+ Perunovic, Milos: '?' Perunovic, Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '(where Black should avoid' Be6 and here White is much better, with the position opening up for his bishop pair, Bai,J (2588)-Gupta,A (2614) Hamedan 2018 1/2-1/2 (47) Nielsen,Peter Heine: '?' 24.Bxe6+ Rxe6 25.Qb4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '+- !' Nielsen,Peter Heine: ') but probably no more. Hopefully, Black is OK everywhere. But before entering all these lines in a practical game, the safest is to check them with AlphaZero.

One way or another, one can see how dangerous is to play the Dragon these days, if your opponent isn't a lazy world champ but someone who is well prepared.';

E2d133) Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'The computer indicates the logical' 17.h4 Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'but concluding that after' 17...Rb8 Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!?' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'willingly sacrificing the a7-pawn, Black has sufficient counterplay:' 18.Bxa7 *(18.Bb3 h6* Perunovic,Milos: ' ∞' *19.c4* Perunovic,Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' *hxg5* White does have influence on the light squares, but Black appears to be quite OK anyway. *20.cxd5* Perunovic,Milos: ' ⩲' *Rxb3* has resulted in draws in all four games to reach this position, but White did manage to outplay his opponent and secure an advantage in several of them, for example: Perunovic, Milos: '!' Perunovic, Milos: 'Collins,Sam: 'Perunovic,Milos'' Nielsen,Peter Heine: '!' Nielsen,Peter Heine: 'being a principled line. ' *)* 18...Rb7 19.Bc5 e4 20.Bb3 h6 21.Nh3 exf3 22.Qg3 fxg2 23.Qxg2 Kh7 24.Rhg1 Qf6 25.Bd4 Qf7 26.Bxg7 Qxg7 27.Qh2 Ne3 28.Ng5+ Kh8 29.Rde1 Qd4 30.Nf7+ Kh7 31.Qg3 1-0 (31) Sebastian (2902)-Golubev,M (2483) Chess.com INT 2019;

E2d2) 14.Bc5 Re8 15.Ne4 f5 16.Nd6 Qg5+ 17.Kb1 Red8 18.Nb7 Rdb8 19.Na5 e4 20.Bb3 Rb5 21.Bd4 Bxd4 22.Rxd4 e3 23.Nxc6 f4 24.c4 Bf5+ 25.Ka1 Rxb3 26.axb3 Nc7 27.Qa5 Ne6 28.Qd5 Qxg2 29.Ne7+ Kf7 30.Nxf5 Qxh1+ 31.Rd1 Qxd1+ 32.Qxd1 gxf5 33.Qd5 Rd8 34.Qxf5+ Ke7 35.Qxh7+ Kf6 36.Qh4+ Ke5 37.Qh5+ Kf6 38.Qh4+ Kg6 39.Qe1 Rd2 40.b4 Nd4 41.Ka2 Nxf3 42.Qh1 e2 43.Qg2+ Kf6 44.Qxf3 e1Q 45.Qxf4+ Ke6 46.Qg4+ Ke7 47.Qg7+ Kd6 48.Qxa7 Qe4 49.Qb6+ Ke7 50.Qc5+ Rd6 51.b5 Qa8+ 52.Kb3 Qf3+ 53.Kb4 Ke6 54.Qc8+ Ke5 55.Qe8+ Re6 56.Qb8+ Kf5 57.Qf8+ Rf6 58.Qc8+ Ke4 59.Qc6+ Ke3 60.Qxf3+ Kxf3 61.c5 Ke4 62.c6 Kd5 63.c7 Rf8

64.b6 Kc6 65.Ka5 Kb7 66.Kb5 1-0 (66) Doreality (2827)-Satlan (2724) Blitz 2021;

E2d3) 14.Ne4

E2d31) 14...Re8 15.g4 Qc7 16.Bc5 h6 17.Bd6 Qb6 18.Bc5 Qc7 19.h4 f5 *(19...Rad8 20.g5 h5 21.Bb3 Nf4 22.Qf2 Bxb3 23.axb3 Rd5 24.Nc3 Red8 25.Nxd5 cxd5 26.Ba3 Rc8 27.Kb1 e4 28.fxe4 dxe4 29.Rhe1 Qe5 30.Qxa7 Re8 31.Bd6 Qxb2#* 0-1 (29) Anuar Is (2811)-Yakamuzosan (2761) Blitz 2023*)* 20.gxf5 gxf5 21.Nc3 Qf7 22.Rg1 Kh7 23.Bxd5 cxd5 24.Bd6 e4 25.Rxg7+ Qxg7 26.f4 Qf7 27.Be5 Rac8 28.Nb5 Qg6 29.Qa5 Re7 30.Nd4 Bf7 31.Qa3 Rxe5 32.fxe5 Rc7 33.e6 Be8 34.Qd6 Rg7 35.Qe5 f4 36.Qxf4 Qg3 37.Rf1 Qxf4+ 38.Rxf4 Bh5 39.Kd2 Rg2+ 40.Ke3 Rg3+ 41.Kf2 Rh3 42.Rf5 Rh2+ 43.Kg3 Rd2 44.Rxh5 Kg6 45.Re5 Kf6 46.e7 Kxe5 47.Nc6+ Kd6 48.e8Q Rxc2 49.Nd4 Rd2 50.Qd8+ Kc5 51.Qa5+ Kc4 52.Qxd2 e3 53.Qc3# 1-0 (53) Creatureofthenight26 (2859)-Muisback (3070) Blitz 2024;

E2d32) 14...f5 15.Ng5 Qf6 16.h4 Rfd8 17.Nxe6 Qxe6 18.h5 Rd7 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Qh4 Rad8 21.Bg5 Re8 22.g4 e4 23.gxf5 Qxf5 24.fxe4 Rxe4 25.Qh7+ Kf8 26.Rhf1 Bxb2+ 27.Kxb2 Rxh7 28.Rxf5+ gxf5 29.Bd3 Rb7+ 30.Kc1 Nc3 31.Bxe4 Rb1+ 32.Kd2 Nxe4+ 33.Ke2 Rxd1 34.Bh6+ Kf7 35.Kxd1 Nc3+ 36.Kd2 Nxa2 37.c3 Ke6 38.Kc2 Kd5 39.Kb3 Ke4 40.Kxa2 f4 41.Bf8 Kd3 42.Kb3 f3 43.Bc5 Ke2 44.Bxa7 f2 45.Bxf2 Kxf2 46.Kc4 Ke3 47.Kc5 Kd3 48.c4 Kc3 49.Kxc6 Kxc4 ½-½ (49) Alfiezero (2823)-Benj49 (2649) Blitz 2022;

E2d33) 14...Qc7 15.Bc5 Rfd8 *(15...h6 16.Bxf8 Rxf8 17.Nc5 Bf5 18.g4 Bc8 19.Bxd5 cxd5 20.Rxd5 e4 21.fxe4 Bxg4 22.Kb1 Rb8 23.c3 Bf3 24.Rf1 Qxh2 25.Rd2 Qh5 26.Qf2 Bxc3 27.Rc2 Bb4 28.Qxf3 Bxc5 29.Qxh5 Kh8 30.Rxc5* 1-0 (30) Arystanner23 (2819)-Kartogm (2752) Blitz 2021 *)*

E2d331) 16.Qh4 h6 17.g4 Nf4 18.Bxe6 Nxe6

E2d3311) 19.Qe7 Rd5 20.Qxc7 Nxc7 21.c4 Rxd1+

22.Rxd1 Ne6 23.Rd6 *(23.Be3 f5 24.gxf5 gxf5 25.Nc5 Ng5 26.f4 Nf3 27.fxe5 Bxe5 28.Rf1 f4 29.Rxf3 fxe3 30.Nd3 Bd4 31.c5 Re8 32.Kd1 e2+ 33.Ke1 Re4 34.Rg3+ Kf7 35.Rg2 Ke6 36.Rxe2 Rxe2+ 37.Kxe2 Kd5 38.Kf3 Kc4 39.Ke4 h5 40.h4 Bf6 41.Ne5+ Kb5 42.Nf3 Kxc5 43.Kf5 Bxb2 44.Kg5 Kd5 45.Kxh5 Ke4 46.Nd2+ Kd3 47.Nb3 Ba3 48.Kg6 c5 49.h5 c4 50.Na5 Bb4 51.Nc6 a5 52.Ne5+ Kd4 53.h6 c3 54.h7 c2 55.h8Q c1Q 56.Nf3+ Ke3 57.Ng5 Qc2+ 58.Kh6 Qxa2 59.Qe5+ Kd3 60.Qg3+ Kc4 61.Qg4+ Kb5 62.Qf5+ Bc5 63.Qg6 Qd5 64.Nf7 Qh1+ 65.Kg7 Qb7 66.Kg8 a4 67.Qf5 a3 68.Kh7* Time forfeit 1-0 (68) Thedirector (2822)-Yakamuzosan (2720) Blitz 2024*)* 23...Rc8 24.Bxa7 Nf4 25.Be3 Ng2 26.Bd2 f5 27.gxf5 gxf5 28.Ng3 Nh4 29.Bxh6 f4 30.Nh5 Bxh6 31.Rxh6 Nxf3 32.Re6 Kf7 33.Rf6+ Ke7 34.Rf5 Rg8 35.Nxf4 Rg1+ 36.Kc2 Nd4+ 37.Kc3 Nxf5 38.Nd3 e4 39.Nf4 Rf1 Normal 0-1 (39) Thedirector (2824)-Yakamuzosan (2721) Blitz 2024;

E2d3312) 19.Bd6 Qb6 20.Nf6+ Kh8 21.Rhe1 Nf4 22.Rxe5 g5 23.Rxg5 Ne2+ 24.Kb1 Nc3+ 25.Ka1 Nxd1 26.Be5 Qe3 27.Qxh6+ Bxh6 28.Nd5+ Qxe5 0 - 1 (2 9) Samarqand2021 (2855)-Sergeiaza (2784) Blitz 2022;

E2d332) 16.g4 h6 *(16...Nf4 17.Qc3 Bd5 18.h4 Ne6 19.Ba3 f5 20.gxf5 gxf5 21.Bxd5 cxd5 22.Qxc7 Nxc7 23.Nd6 Rf8 24.Rhg1 Kh8 25.c3 e4 26.Kc2 Be5 27.Rg5 Ne6 28.Rh5 Ng7 29.Rg5 Ne6 30.Rg2 Nf4 31.Rgg1 Rad8 32.Nb5 Rf7 33.fxe4 fxe4 34.Nd4 Bxd4 35.cxd4 Rc7+ 36.Kb1 e3 37.Rg4 e2 38.Rdg1 Nd3 39.b3 e1Q+*

40.Rxe1 Nxe1 41.Bc1 h6 42.Bxh6 Kh7 43.Bg5 Re8 44.Kb2 Nd3+ 45.Ka3 Rc6 46.b4 Rc3+ 47.Ka4 a6 48.Bf6 Rb8 49.Rg2 Rxb4+ 50.Ka5 Ra3# 0-1 (50) Anuar Is (2834)-Fastlikethewind (2728) Blitz 2022*)* 17.h4 Nf4 *(17...Rab8 18.Bb3 a5 19.a4 Rxb3 20.cxb3 Nf4 21.Rxd8+ Qxd8 22.Qd1 Qb8 23.b4 axb4 24.g5 Qa8 25.Qd6 Nd5 26.b3 Qa6 27.h5 Qd3 28.hxg6 fxg6 29.Qxe6+ Kh7 30.gxh6* 1-0 (31) Baidetskyi,V (2830)-Tigex (2555) Blitz 2022 *)* 18.Qc3 Nd5 19.Qa3 Nf4 20.Bxe6 *(20.Bb3 Ne2+ 21.Kb1 Bxb3 22.axb3 Nd4 23.Rd3 Nb5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Qb4 a5 26.Qc4 Nd4 27.Rf1 Ne6 28.Be3 Kh7 29.h5 Nd4 30.c3 Nb5 31.hxg6+ fxg6 32.Rh1 Rd5 33.Bxh6 Kg8 34.Bxg7 Kxg7 35.g5 Nd6 36.Nf6 Nxc4 37.Rh7+ Kf8 38.Rxc7 Rd1+ 39.Ka2 Ne3 40.Rxc6 Nc2 41.b4 a4 42.b3 a3 43.Rc8+ Kf7 44.Rc7+ Ke6* 0-1 (44) Molt7N (2828)-Daubon (2772) Blitz 2022 *)* 20...Nxe6 21.g5 h5 22.Be7 Rd4 23.c3 Rd5 24.Nf6+ Bxf6 25.Bxf6 e4 26.fxe4 Qf4+ 27.Kb1 Qxe4+ 28.Ka1 Nf4 29.Rde1 Ne2 30.Qa6 Re8 31.a3 Rd2 32.Rhf1 Rb8 33.c4 Qe3 34.Qxc6 Qb3 35.Qf3 Qxc4 36.Be5 Re8 37.Qf6 Rxe5 38.Qxe5 Nd4 39.Qe8+ Kg7 40.Rxf7+ Qxf7 41.Re7 Rd1# 0-1 (41) Molt7N (2835)-Daubon (2767) Blitz 2022;

E2d333) 16.h4 f5 *(16...Nf4 17.Bxe6 Nxe6 18.Qc3 Nd4 19.Qc4 h5 20.c3 Ne6 21.Kb1 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Rd8 23.Rd3 Nf4 24.Bd6 Qb6 25.Bc5 Qc7 26.Rxd8+ Qxd8 27.Qf1 Qxh4 28.g3 Qh3 29.Qxh3 Nxh3 30.Bxa7 f5 31.Nd2 g5 32.a4 f4 33.Ne4 g4 34.fxg4 hxg4 35.a5 fxg3 36.Nxg3 Nf4 37.a6 Nd5 38.Bb8 Kf7 39.a7 Nb6 40.Kc2 Ke6 41.Kd3 Kd5 42.b4 c5 43.Bc7 Na8 44.b5 c4+ 45.Kc2 Kc5 46.b6 Kc6 47.Ne4 Bh6 48.Nd6 g3 49.b7 Nxc7 50.b8Q g2 51.Nb5 Na8 52.Qxa8+ Kxb5 53.Qg8 Bg5 54.Qxg5*

g1Q 55.Qxg1 e4 56.a8Q e3 57.Qb7+ Ka4 58.Qa1# Normal 1-0 (58) Elconceto (2903)-Zoubkovavila (2723) Blitz 2024*)* 17.Ng5 Bc8 18.h5 Bh6 19.Qh4 Qg7 20.hxg6 Bxg5+ 21.Qxg5 Qxg6 22.Qxd8+ 1-0 (22) Cutemouse83 (2973)-Gryzlo (2717) Blitz 2021]

[10.Kb1

A) 10...e5 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.exd5 *(12.Bc5 d4 13.Na4 Re8 14.b3 Nd7 15.Ba3 Nb6 16.Nb2 a5 17.h4 a4 18.Bc5 h5 19.g4 Nd7 20.Bd6 Re6 21.Nc4 Ba6 22.Bb4 c5 23.Ba5 Qf8 24.gxh5 Bh6 25.Qg2 Kh8 26.hxg6 Rxg6 27.Qh3 axb3 28.cxb3 Qe7 29.h5 Rc6 30.Bd2 Bc8 31.Qg3 Bf4 32.Bxf4 exf4 33.Qxf4 Ba6 34.Rd2 Rf6 35.Qh4 Bxc4 36.Bxc4 Ne5 37.Rg2 Nxc4 38.Qg5* 1-0 (38) Vladimirovich9000 (2899)-Sina Iran (2904) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...Nxd5

A1) 13.Nxd5 cxd5 14.Qxd5 Qc7 *(14...Qxd5 15.Rxd5 Be6 16.Rd1 a5 17.a4 Rab8 18.Bb5 Rfc8 19.Ba7 Rb7 20.Ba6 Rbc7 21.Bxc8 Rxc8 22.Bb6 Bf5 23.Rd8+* 1-0 (23) Keepging002 (2848)-Fmjoseherrera (2658) Blitz 2025 *)*

A1a) 15.Qc5 Qb7 16.Bc4 Rb8 *(16...Bf5 17.Bd5 Qa6 18.Qc4 Qxc4 19.Bxc4 e4 20.g4 Rab8 21.gxf5 Rxb2+ 22.Kc1 exf3 23.Bb3 Re8 24.Bd4 Rxb3* 1-0 (24) Am The Best1,I (2815)-Pok60 (2626) Blitz 2024*)* 17.Bb3 Be6 18.Qxa7 Bxb3 19.cxb3 Qb5 20.Qc5 Qa6 21.Rd6 Qe2 22.Rd2 Qa6 23.Rhd1 Rfc8 24.Qd6 Qb5 25.Qd5 Qa6 26.Qd6 Qb5 27.Rc2 Rxc2 28.Kxc2 Qe2+ 29.Qd2 Qa6 30.a3 Qc8+ 31.Kb1 h5 32.Ka2 Qb7 33.Qd5 Qa6 34.Qc4 Qb7 35.Rd5 Rc8 36.Rc5 Rd8 37.Rc7 Qd5 38.Qxd5 Rxd5 39.Rc2 Rd3 40.Bc5 f5 41.b4 Kf7 42.a4 Ke6 43.a5 e4 44.fxe4 fxe4 45.a6 Rd8 46.b5 Bd4 47.Rd2 Bxc5 48.Rxd8 e3 49.Re8+ Be7 50.a7 e2 51.a8Q e1Q 52.Qc6+ Kf7 53.Ra8 Qd2 54.Qe8+ Kf6 55.Ra6+ Kf5 56.Qxg6+ Kf4 57.Qg3+ Ke4 58.Re6+ Kf5 59.Qg6+ Kf4 60.Qg3+ Kf5 61.Qe5+ Kg4 62.Qe4+ Kg5 63.Rg6# 1-0 (63) Keepging002 (2834)-Mohamadghanbar86 (2630) Blitz 2025;

A1b) 15.Qxa8 Bf5 16.Qxf8+ Kxf8 17.Bd3 Be6 18.Be4 Qa5 19.c4 f5 20.Bd5 Bc8 21.Bd2 Qb6 22.Bc3 a5 23.Rhe1 Qc7 24.Re2 Bf6 25.Rde1 Kg7 26.Bxe5 Qc5 27.Bxf6+ Kxf6 28.f4 g5 29.Re8 Qf2 30.Rf8+ Kg6 31.Rg8+ Kh6 32.fxg5+ Kh5 33.Rc1 a4 34.a3 f4 35.Bf3+ Kh4 36.Rxc8 Qe3 37.Rd8 Qe7 38.Rdd1 Qe6 39.c5 Qf5+ 40.Ka1 Qc8 41.c6 Qc7 42.Rd7 Qe5 43.Rxh7+ Kxg5 44.Rh5+ Kf6 45.Rxe5 Kxe5

46.c7 Kd4 47.c8Q Ke3 48.Qc3+ Kf2 49.Qe1# 1-0 (49) Secret Mikalsen (2903)-Master Fhilidor007 (2538) Blitz 2024;

A2) 13.Bc4 Be6 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Bxd5 Bxd5 16.Qxd5 Qc7 17.Qd7 Qc4 18.Qd3 Qc6 19.Qe4 Qb5 20.Rd5 Qe2 21.Rd2 Qb5 22.c4 Qa5 23.Rhd1 Rab8 24.Rd5 Qb4 25.b3 a6 26.Bc5 Qc3 27.Qc2 Qxc2+ 28.Kxc2 Rfc8 29.Bd6 Ra8 30.Bxe5 Bf8 31.Bc3 Re8 32.Rd7 Re2+ 33.R1d2 Rxd2+ 34.Rxd2 Re8 35.b4 h5 36.a4 h4 37.b5 axb5 38.axb5 Bc5 39.h3 Kh7 40.Rd5 Re2+ 41.Kd3 Rxg2 42.Rxc5 Rg3 43.b6 Rxf3+ 44.Kc2 Rf2+ 45.Kb3 Rf1 46.b7 1-0 (46) Secret Mikalsen (2905)-Master Fhilidor007 (2532) Blitz 2024;

B) 10...dxe4 11.Nxc6 Qc7 12.Nd4 exf3 13.gxf3 Rd8 14.Ndb5 Rxd2 15.Nxc7 Rxd1+ 16.Nxd1 1-0 (16) Muselmen100Precent (2899)-Domore (2581) Blitz 2025;

C) 10...Qd7 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.exd5 cxd5 13.Nxd5 Qb7 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Qc1 Bf5 16.Bd3 Rab8 17.b3 Be6 18.Be4 Qb4 19.Rd3 Bc4 20.Bd2 Qc5 21.Rc3 Bxc3 22.Bxc3 Rfc8 23.Bb2 Be6 24.Re1 f6 25.Bd3 Kf7 26.Qh6 Rh8 27.h4 Rbd8 28.h5 Bf5 29.Bc4+ e6 30.g4 Qf2 31.Qc1 Bxc2+ 32.Ka1 Rd2 33.Rxe6 Kg7 34.Bxf6+ Kh6 35.Bc3 Rhd8 36.Re2 Qe3 37.Rxe3 Rd1 38.Re1+ Rxc1+ 39.Rxc1 Bd3 40.g5+ Kxg5 41.Bd2+ Kf5 42.Bc3 Bxc4 43.bxc4 Rc8 44.c5 Kf4 45.Bd2+ Kxf3 46.c6 Kg2 47.Bc3 Kf3 48.Rc2 Kg4 49.Rc1 Kxh5 50.Rg1 1-0 (50) Keepging002 (2874)-Bocchoiboi (2676) Blitz 2025;

D) 10...Rb8 11.Ndb5 a6 12.Na7 e6 13.h4 Bd7 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.e5 Nh5 16.g4 Ng3 17.Rh2 Bxe5 18.h5 Qf6 19.Bg5 Qxf3 20.Rf2 0-1 (20) Samarqand2021 (2851)-Sergeiaza (2788) Blitz 2022;

E) 10...Nxd4

E1) 11.e5 Nf5 12.exf6

E1a) 12...exf6

E1a1) 13.Nxd5 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Be6 15.Bc4 Bxd5 16.Rxd5 *(16.Bxd5 Qc7 17.Rhe1 f5 18.h3 Rac8 19.Bb3 b5 20.Qe7 Qg3 21.Rd7 Kh8 22.a3 a5 23.Re2 a4 24.Bxf7 Qf4 25.Bxg6 Qh6 26.Bf7 b4 27.axb4 Bf6 28.Qe6 Qh4 29.c4 Ra8 30.g3 Qh6 31.Rd6 Kg7 32.Qxf6+ Qxf6 33.Rxf6 Kxf6 34.Bd5 Rae8 35.Rxe8 Rxe8 36.b5 Ke5 37.b6 Kd6 38.b7 Kc7 39.g4 fxg4 40.hxg4 Rf8 41.Ka2 Rh8 42.Ka3 h5 43.gxh5 Rxh5 44.Kxa4 Rf5 45.b4 Rf4 46.Kb5 Rf8 47.Kc5 Rf6 48.b5 Rf8 49.Kd4 Kb8 50.Ke5 Kc7 51.f4 Kb6 52.f5 Kc7 53.f6 Re8+ 54.Kf5 Rf8 55.f7 Kb8 56.Kf6 Kc7 57.Kg7 Rxf7+* 1-0 (57) Gmmoranda (2813)-Daubon (2769) Blitz 2023 *)* 16...Qc7 17.Bb3 f5 18.Rhd1 h5 19.Rd7 Qxh2 20.Qg5 Qe5 21.c3 Qf6

22.Qxf6 Bxf6 23.Rxb7 Rae8 24.Rdd7 Re1+ 25.Kc2 Re2+ 26.Rd2 Rxd2+ 27.Kxd2 a5 28.Bd5 h4 29.Kd3 Kg7 30.b4 axb4 31.cxb4 g5 32.a4 g4 33.fxg4 fxg4 34.a5 Kg6 35.a6 Rd8 36.Kc4 Rc8+ 37.Kb5 Bd4 38.Bxf7+ Kg5 39.Be6 Re8 40.Kc4 Rxe6 41.b5 Bg1 42.a7 Re4+ 43.Kb3 Bxa7 44.Rxa7 h3 45.gxh3 gxh3 46.Rg7+ Kf4 47.Rh7 Kg3 48.b6 Re6 49.b7 Rb6+ 50.Kc4 h2 51.Rg7+ Kf2 52.Rf7+ Kg1 53.Rg7+ Kf2 54.Rf7+ Kg3 55.Rg7+ Kf4 56.Rf7+ Kg5 57.Rh7 Rxb7 58.Rxh2 Rc7+ 59.Kd5 Rd7+ 60.Ke6 Rd4 61.Rg2+ Rg4 62.Re2 Rf4 63.Ke5 Rf5+ 64.Ke4 Rf4+ 65.Ke5 Rf5+ 66.Ke6 Rf4 67.Rg2+ Rg4 68.Rh2 Rg3 69.Re2 Kg4 70.Re4+ Kh3 71.Kf5 Rg4 72.Rxg4 1-0 (72) Kelj (2835)-Daubon (2732) Blitz 2022;

E1a2) 13.Bc5 d4 14.Bxf8 *(14.Nb5 Re8 15.Nxd4 Ne3 16.Rc1 f5 17.Bb5 Re5 18.Rhe1 f4 19.Bb4 Rd5* 0-1 (19) Papus1234 (2836)-Pierdolic (2661) Blitz 2022 *)* 14...Qxf8

E1a21) 15.Nb5 Ne3 16.Re1 f5 17.Nxd4 f4 18.g4 *(18.Rxe3 fxe3 19.Qxe3 Bd7 20.Bd3 Qc5 21.Nf5 Qxe3 22.Nxe3 Re8 23.Nd5 Bc6 24.Nb4 Bd7 25.Be4 Re5 26.Rd1 Be6 27.Rd8+ Bf8 28.Nd3 Rb5 29.Nf4 Bf5 30.a4 Ra5 31.Bxf5 Rxf5 32.Nd3 Kg7 33.Rd7 Ra5 34.b3 b6 35.f4 g5 36.g3 gxf4 37.Nxf4 Bb4 38.Nd5 Be1 39.c4 Bf2 40.g4 a6 41.Rd6 b5 42.Ne7 bxc4 43.Nf5+ Rxf5 44.gxf5 cxb3 45.Rxa6* 1-0 (45) Wangyukun2000 (2822)-Sanjaypune (2604) Blitz 2023 *)* 18...b6 19.Bb5 Bb7 20.Bc6 Bxc6 21.Nxc6 Qc5 22.Nb4 Nc4 23.Qd5 Qxb4 24.Qxa8+ Bf8 25.b3 Na3+ 26.Kc1 Qc3 27.Qe4 Be7 28.Kd1 Bf6 29.Ke2 Nxc2 30.Kf2 Bd4+ 31.Kg2 Ne3+ 32.Kh3 Qd2 33.Rhg1 Qf2 34.Qxf4 Nd5 35.Qg3 Qd2 36.Rd1 Nf4+ 37.Qxf4 Qxf4 38.Kg2 Qe3 39.Rgf1 Qe2+ 40.Kg3 Be5+ 41.f4 Qe3+ 42.Rf3 Bxf4+ 43.Kg2 Qe4 44.Re1 Qc2+ 45.Rf2 Qc6+ 46.Rf3 1-0 (46) Kelj (2838)-Notkevich (2725) Blitz 2022;

E1a22) 15.Ne2 Ne3 16.Rc1 *(16.Re1 Nc4 17.Qxd4 Be6 18.Nf4 f5 19.Nxe6 Qb4 20.Qxg7#* 1-0 (20) Yarebore (2845)-Theredking89 (2616) Blitz 2020 *)* 16...f5 17.Nxd4 f4 18.c3 Qc5 19.Nb3 Qb6 20.Bd3 Be6 21.Be4 Rd8

22.Nd4 Nc4 23.Qe2 Bxd4 24.cxd4 Rxd4 25.Rhd1 Ne3 26.Rxd4 Qxd4 27.g3 fxg3 28.hxg3 Nc4 29.Rd1 Qb6 30.Bd5 Bf5+ 31.Be4 Bxe4+ 32.fxe4 Ne5 33.Qd2 Kg7 34.Qc3 Qe6 35.Rd5 f6 36.Qc7+ Qf7 37.Qxf7+ Kxf7 38.a4 Ke6 39.a5 a6 40.Kc2 h5 41.Kc3 g5 42.b4 h4 43.gxh4 gxh4 44.Rd1 Nf3 45.Kd3 Ke5 46.Ke3 Ng5 47.Rd5+ Ke6 48.Kf4 h3 49.Rd2 Ke7 50.Kf5 Nf3 51.Rd1 h2 52.Rh1 Nd4+ 53.Kf4 Nc6 54.Rxh2 Nxb4 55.Rh7+ Kd6 56.Rxb7 Nc6 57.Rb6 Kc7 58.Rxa6 Kb7 59.Rxc6 Kxc6 60.Kf5 Kb5 61.Kxf6 Kxa5 62.e5 Kb6 63.e6 Kc7 64.e7 Kd7 65.Kf7 Kd6 66.e8Q Kc7 67.Qe6 Kb7 68.Ke7 Kc7 69.Qd6+ Kb7 70.Kd7 Ka7 71.Kc8 Ka8 72.Qa6# 1-0 (72) Lu,S (2862)-Pierdolic (2699) Blitz 2021;

E1b) 12...Bxf6 13.Nxd5 Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Nxe3 15.Qd2 Nxd1 16.Qxd1 Be6 17.h4 *(17.Bb5 Rfd8 18.Qe2 Rd6 19.Rd1 Rb6 20.a4 Rc8 21.a5 Bc4 22.Qxc4 Rxc4 23.axb6 Rc8 24.bxa7 Ra8 25.Rd7 Rxa7 26.Bc6 Ra6 27.Bxb7 Rb6 28.b3 h5 29.Bd5 Ra6 30.Rd8+ Kg7 31.Ra8 Rb6 32.Be4 h4 33.Ra4 Be5 34.h3 f5 35.Bd3 Bf6 36.b4 Bc3 37.b5 e5 38.Ka2 Bd4 39.Kb3 Kf6 40.Kc4 Ke6 41.c3 Bf2 42.Ra8 Rb7 43.Rc8 Rb6 44.Rg8 Kf7 45.Rc8 Ke7 46.Kb4 Kd7 47.Rg8 Ke7 48.c4 Rb7 49.c5 Be1+ 50.Kc4 Bf2 51.Rc8 Kd7 52.Rg8 Rc7 53.c6+ Ke7 54.Rxg6 e4 55.fxe4 f4 56.e5* 1-0 (56) Rafaellopl (2814)-Hungzhao (2727) Blitz 2021*)*
17...Rfd8 18.Bd3 Rd6 19.Qe2 Rad8 20.g4 Rb6 21.b3 a5 22.g5 Bg7 23.h5 a4 24.Qh2 axb3 25.axb3 Bxb3 26.Kc1 Bxc2 27.Qc7 Bb2+ 28.Kxc2 Rc6+ 29.Qxc6 bxc6 30.f4 Bd4 31.Kd2 e6 32.h6 Bc5 33.Rc1 Bd6 34.Ke3 Bxf4+ 35.Kxf4 Rxd3 36.Rxc6 Rd4+ 37.Ke5 Rd8 38.Kf6 e5 39.Kxe5 Re8+ 40.Kf6 Kf8 41.Ra6 Rd8 42.Rc6 Re8 43.Rb6 Rd8 44.Rc6 Re8 ½-½ (44) Amerario (2922)-Neslracsungam77 (2787) Blitz 2022;

E2) 11.Bxd4 dxe4

E2a) 12.fxe4 Be6 13.Be2 Qa5 *(13...Rc8 14.Bf3 Qc7 15.Qe3 Qa5 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.Be4 Bxe4 19.Qxe4 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Rfd8 21.Rhe1 Rc5 22.c4 Qc7 23.Rc1 e6 24.b4 Rc6 25.Qf6 exd5 26.Re7 Rxf6 27.Rxc7 Rb6 28.a3 dxc4 29.R1xc4 Rd1+ 30.Kb2 Rd2+ 31.Rc2 Rxc2+ 32.Kxc2 h5 33.Kb3 Kg7 34.a4 a6 35.Kc4 h4 36.Kc5 Re6 37.Rxb7 Re2*

38.Ra7 Rxg2 39.Rxa6 Rxh2 40.b5 Rc2+ 41.Kd6 h3 42.Rc6 Rxc6+ 43.bxc6 h2 44.c7 h1Q 45.c8Q Qd1+ 46.Kc7 Qxa4 47.Kb8 Qb5+ 48.Ka8 Qa5+ 49.Kb8 Qe5+ 50.Qc7 Qxc7+ 51.Ka8 Qb7+ 0-1 (51) Worktim1 (2819)-Rrs03 (2629) Blitz 2024; *13...Qc7 14.Bf3 Rfd8 15.Qe2 a6 16.a3 Rac8 17.Rd2 b5 18.Rhd1 Qa5 19.Qe3 Nd7 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 b4 23.Qd4+ Nf6 24.Qxb4 Qc7 25.h4 Rb8 26.Qd4 Qd6 27.Ka1 Kg8 28.h5 gxh5 29.c4 Rdc8 30.b4 Qd7 31.Rd3 Qa4 32.Rb1 a5 33.Bd1 Qd7 34.c5 axb4 35.axb4 Ra8+ 36.Kb2 Qa7 37.Bb3 Qa3+ 38.Kc3 Rab8 39.Rd2 Rxb4 40.Qxb4 Rxc5+ 41.Qxc5 Qxc5+ 42.Kb2 Ne4 43.Rc2 Qd4+ 44.Ka3 Nc3 45.Rbc1 Nb5+ 46.Ka2 Nd6 47.Rc5 Kg7 48.R1c2 Qb4 49.R5c3 h6 50.Kb2 Qd4 51.Ka2 h4 52.Rc7 Qe3 53.R7c3 Qa7+ 54.Kb1 Nb5 55.Rc5 Na3+ 56.Kb2 Nxc2 57.Rxc2 Qd4+ 58.Rc3 Kf6 59.Kc2 Qf2+ 60.Kc1 Qxg2 61.Rc2 Qg1+ 62.Kb2 Qb6 63.d6 Qxd6 64.Kc1 Kg7 65.Bc4 Qf4+ 66.Kb1 e5 67.Be2 f5 68.Bf3 e4 69.Kb2 exf3 70.Kb1 f2 71.Kb2 Qb4+ 72.Kc1 f1Q#* 0-1 (72) Avonswfins0034 (2813)-Drstrange8 (2640) Blitz 2024 *)* 14.Bf3 Rfd8 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 Nxd5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.exd5 Bd7 19.Re1 Re8 20.b3 Rab8 21.c4 b6 22.Kb2 h5 23.b4 Bg4 24.a3 Bxf3 25.gxf3 Kf6 26.Ka2 Rbc8 27.Kb3 Red8 28.Rc1 a6 29.c5 b5 30.a4 Rd7 31.axb5 axb5 32.c6 Rd6 33.Rc5 e6 34.Rxb5 exd5 35.Rbxd5 Rdxc6 36.Rd6+ Kf5 37.Rxc6 Rxc6 38.b5 Rc8 39.Kb4 Kf4 40.Rd3 Rb8 41.Kc5 Rc8+ 42.Kb4 Rb8 43.Rb3 h4 44.Kc5 Rc8+ 45.Kd6 f5 46.b6 g5 47.b7 Rb8 48.Kc7 Rxb7+ 49.Kxb7 g4 50.fxg4 fxg4 51.Kc6 g3 52.Rb4+ Kg5 53.h3 Kh5 54.Rg4 Kh6 55.Rxh4+ Kg5 56.Rg4+ Kf5 57.Kc5 Kf6 58.Kd4 Kf5 59.Ke3 Ke6 60.Kf3 Kf7 61.Kg2 Ke7 62.Kxg3 Kf6 63.h4 Ke7 64.h5 Kf8 65.h6 Kf7 66.h7 Ke6 67.h8Q Kf5 68.Qh5+ Ke6 69.Rg6+ Kf7 70.Qh7+ Kf8 71.Rf6+ Ke8 72.Qf7+ Kd8 73.Rb6 Kc8 74.Qe6+ Kd8 75.Rd6+ Kc7 76.Qd5 Kb8 77.Rd7 1-0 (77) Keepging002 (2896)-Saqochess (2672) Blitz 2025;

E2b) 12.Qe1 Qa5 13.Nxe4 Be6 14.Qxa5 1-0 (14) Kelevra317 (2941)-Saqochess (2704) Blitz 2022]

[10.Bh6 dxe4 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.Nxc6 Qxd2+ 13.Kxd2 bxc6 14.Nxe4 Nxe4+ 15.fxe4 Rd8+ 16.Bd3 Be6 17.b3 c5 18.Ke3 a5 19.Bb5 Rdb8 20.a4 Rc8 21.c4 Rd8 22.e5 g5 23.h3 h5 24.Ke4 Kg6 25.Rhf1 Bf5+ 26.Ke3 Bc2 27.Rd5 Rac8 28.Ba6 Rb8 29.Bb5 e6 30.Rxc5 Rd3+ 31.Ke2 Rxb3 32.Rf3

Rb2 33.Ke3 Rd8 34.Rf6+ Kg7 35.Rc7 Bg6 36.c5 Rd5 37.Rxe6 Rxg2 38.Ree7 g4 39.hxg4 h4 40.Bc4 Rg3+ 41.Ke2 Rg2+ 42.Ke3 Rg3+ 43.Ke2 Rg2+ ½-½ (43) Timofeevar (2819)-Greenlantern07 (2711) Blitz 2022]

[10.Bb5 Nxd4 11.Qxd4 Nxe4 12.Qxd5 Nd6 13.Qc5 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Nxb5 15.Rxd8 Nxc3 16.Rxf8+ Kxf8 17.bxc3 Be6 18.Kb2 b6 19.Rd1 f6 20.g3 Ke8 21.Ra1 Bd5 22.f4 Kd7 23.a4 Rb8 24.Bg1 Rb7 25.Re1 Kd6 26.Bd4 Rc7 27.Bg1 e5 28.Be3 e4 29.f5 Ke7 30.Rd1 Bc6 31.fxg6 hxg6 32.Ra1 Bd5 33.a5 b5 34.Rd1 Ke6 35.Rf1 f5 36.a6 Rd7 37.h4 Bc4 38.Ra1 Kf6 39.Bf4 Ke7 40.Ka3 Ke6 41.Kb4 Kf7 42.Rh1 Rd8 43.Be3 Rd6 44.Ra1 Rd7 45.Rb1 Ke6 46.Bf4 Be2 47.Rh1 Kf7 48.Rh2 Bc4 49.Rd2 Re7 50.Be3 Ke8 51.Rd6 Rg7 52.Rf6 Ke7 53.Bg5 Kd7 54.Kc5 Rg8 55.Rd6+ Kc8 56.Rc6+ Kd7 57.Rd6+ Kc8 58.Kc6 Kb8 59.Bf4 Ka8 60.Kd7 Be2 61.Ke7 Bh5 62.c4 bxc4 63.Rc6 Bd1 64.Rxc4 Be2 65.Rc6 Bb5 66.Rd6 Bc4 67.Be3 Kb8 68.Rc6 Bb5 69.Bf4+ Ka8 70.Rd6 Bc4 71.Kf6 Bb5 72.Kg5 Ba4 73.Rxg6 Rxg6+ 74.Kxg6 e3 75.Bxe3 Bxc2 76.Kg5 Bd1 77.h5 Bxh5 78.Kxh5 Kb8 79.Bd4 Kc7 80.Bxa7 Kc6 81.Be3 Kc7 82.a7 Kb7 83.Kg6 Ka8 84.Kxf5 Kb7 85.g4 Ka8 86.g5 Kb7 87.g6 Kc6 88.g7 Kb5 89.g8Q Kb4 90.a8Q Kc3 91.Qa3+ Kc2 92.Qab3# 1-0 (92) Duchessai (2816)-Pseudo (2381) Blitz 2025]

10...Nxd5 11.Nxc6 bxc6 Roiz,M: '!?''This rare move is a novelty. Of course, this position was analyzed by GM Harikrishna long before this game. Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: '!?' Roiz,M: 'This rare move is a novelty. Of course, this position was analyzed by GM Harikrishna long before this game.''' 12.Bd4 Roiz,M: 'We have been following Kosten,A - Akesson,R London 1988 Now Black should have played' Perunovic,Milos: '!?'

[12.Bc4 Be6 13.Nxd5 cxd5 14.Bb3 *(14.Bxd5 Rb8 15.Bb3 Qc8 16.Kb1 a5 17.Qxa5 Bxb3 18.cxb3 Ra8 19.Qc5 Qa6 20.a3 Rfc8 21.Qb6 Qe2 22.Rd2 Ra6 23.Rxe2 Rxb6 24.Bxb6* 1-0 (24) Wounded Thirteenth (2861)-Yakamuzosan (2710) Blitz 2023 *)* 14...Qc7 15.Bd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Rfc8 17.Rd2 a5 18.Re1 a4 19.Bxa4 Qxh2 20.Bb3 h5 21.g4 Qh4 22.Qg1 hxg4 23.fxg4 Qxg4 24.Rg2 Qf4+ 25.Kb1 Bf5 26.Rf2 Qg4 27.Qh2 Be4 28.Rg1 Qe6 29.Qh6 Qe5 30.Rg4 Qg7 31.Qh4 e6 32.Rh2 Rab8 33.Qg3 Rb4 34.Rgh4 Qd4 35.a3 Rxb3 36.Qxb3 Rxc2 37.Ka2 Rc8 38.Qh3 Qc4+ 39.b3 Qc2+ 40.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 41.Ka1 Rc1+ 42.Kb2 Rc2+ 43.Kb1 Rc3+ 44.Kb2 Rc2+ 45.Ka1 Rc1+ 46.Ka2 Rc2+ 47.Kb1 Rc1+ 48.Kxc1 1-0 (48) Eyesless18 (2873)-Yakamuzosan (2729) Blitz 2025]

[12.Nxd5 It is important to prevent ....c5-c4. Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: 'It is important to prevent ....c5-c4.'' cxd5 13.Qxd5 *(13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 Qc7 15.Bd3 Rb8 16.h4 Qa5 17.Kb1 Qa3 18.b3 Ba6 19.h5 Bxd3 20.Rxd3 g5 21.Qxg5+ Kh8 22.h6 Rg8 23.Qxd5 Rb5 24.Qxb5* 1-0 (24) Vistagausta (2825)-Sanjaypune (2635) Blitz 2023*)* 13...Qc7!

A) 14.Qxa8 Bf5 15.Qxf8+ Kxf8

A1) 16.Bd3 Qe5 with a stunning attack. The attempt to keep Black's king in the centre with Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: 'The attempt to keep Black's king in the centre with'' 17.Bxf5 *(17.Kd2 Bxd3! 18.Kxd3 Qxb2)* 17...Qxe3+ 18.Kb1 took place in the following old game: Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: 'took place in the following old game:'' Qb6! A thematic pawn sacrifice! Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: '!' Roiz, M: 'A thematic pawn sacrifice!'' 19.b3 gxf5;

A2) 16.Rd2 h5∞ 17.Be2∞ *(17.Kb1 Bf6 18.Be2 h4 19.g3 h3 20.Rhd1 Kg7 21.Bf2 g5 22.Bd3 Qb7 23.b3 Qxf3 24.Bxf5 Qxf5 25.Bxa7 Qa5 26.Bd4 Bxd4 27.Rxd4 e5 28.Rd5 Qc3 29.a4 f5 30.a5 Kg6 31.a6 Kh5 32.a7 Qc6 33.Rd8* 1-0 (33) Sneekylikeafrench (2820)-Stka1969 (2576) Rapid 2022*)* 17...Qb8 18.b3 Another interesting option was 18...Bc3!? 19.Rd5 Qb4 20.Bc5 Qf4+ 21.Kb1 Bf6 , obtaining excellent compensation for a pawn due to the pressure on the c-file. However, Pentala's way is more forcing.Of course, not 22.Bxa7 Qb4 23.Bc5 Qc3;

B) 14.Qc5

B1) 14...Qb7 15.Qa3∞ *(15.Qb5 Qxb5 16.Bxb5 Bxb2+ 17.Kxb2 Rb8 18.a4 a6 19.c4 Be6 20.Ka3 axb5 21.cxb5 Rfc8 22.Rc1 Rd8 23.Rhd1 Bd5 24.Kb4 e6 25.a5 Rd7 26.a6* 1-0 (28) Interestingidea (2829)-Tigerlilov (2760) Blitz 2022*; 15.c3 Be6 16.Qb5 Qxb5 17.Bxb5 Bxa2 18.Rd7 a5 19.Bc5 Rfb8 20.Ba4 Bxc3 21.Ba3 Bf6 22.Rhd1 Rc8+ 23.Kd2 Rab8 24.Ke3 Be6 25.R7d2 Rc4 26.b3 Bg5+ 27.Ke2 Rh4 28.Rd8+ Rxd8 29.Rxd8+ Kg7 30.h3 Bf6 31.Re8 Rh5 32.Kf1 Re5 33.g4 Re3 34.Kf2 Bd4 35.Bb2 Rd3+ 36.Bxd4+ Rxd4 37.Rxe7 Rb4 38.Ra7 Bxb3 39.Bxb3 Rxb3 40.Rxa5 Rb2+ 41.Kg3 Rb4 42.g5 Rd4 43.Ra6 Rd5 44.h4 Rc5 45.Rf6 Rd5 46.f4 Rc5 47.Ra6 Rc1 48.Kg4 Rg1+ 49.Kf3 Rh1 50.Kg3 Rg1+ 51.Kf2 Rb1 52.Ra4 Rb2+ 53.Kg3 Rb3+ 54.Kg4 Rb1 55.h5 Rg1+ 56.Kf3 gxh5 57.Ke4 Re1+ 58.Kf5 Rf1 59.Ra3 Rc1 60.Rh3 Rc5+ 61.Ke4 Rc4+ 62.Kf3 Ra4 63.Rxh5 Ra1 64.Kg4 Ra3 65.Kf5 Ra4 66.Kg4 Ra5 67.Rh6 Rb5 68.Rd6 Rc5 69.Rh6 Rb5 70.Rh4 Rb4 71.Rh6 Rb5* ½-½ (71) Chess Baby2009 (2828)-Smallnoobhunter (2560) Blitz 2022 *)*

B1a) 15...a5 16.Bd4 e5= 17.Bc5 *(17.--)*;

B1b) 15...Bf5 16.Bd3 Rab8 17.b3 Rfc8;

B2) 14...Qb8 15.Qa3 a5 *(15...Be6 16.Ba6 Qe5)* 16.Bd4 *(16.Bd3 Qe5 17.Be4+- Rb8!* Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: '!'' *18.Bd4 Qg5+ 19.Kb1 Bxd4* still would have offered Black acceptable play. *20.Rxd4 Qxg2*

21.Rhd1 Qxh2= 22.Qxa5) 16...Rd8

B2a) 17.Bc3 Bh6+ 18.Bd2 Rxd2 , and White is a bit more active. Equally good is 19.Rxd2 Bf5 *(19...Qe5 20.Bd3 Bxd2+ 21.Kxd2? Qg5+* was bad in Maltsevskaya,A - Zhemchuzhina,E Moscow 2017 Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: 'was bad in Maltsevskaya,A - Zhemchuzhina,E Moscow 2017" *22.Kd1 Qxg2 23.Re1 Qxf3+ 24.Kc1 Be6 25.Qxe7 Qf2 26.Rd1 Qxh2)* 20.g3 Qb7 21.Qb3 Bxd2+ 22.Kxd2 Rd8+ 23.Kc1 Qd7 24.Bd3 a4 25.Qb5 Qd4= 26.Re1!? over Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: 'over" 26...a3;

B2b) 17.Qxe7 Bf5 *(17...Be6)*;

B2c) 17.Qc5 Bf5

B2c1) 18.c3 Perunovic, Milos: '=' '=' Bh6+ 19.Be3 Qc7 *(19...Qf4)* 20.Qxc7 *(20.Rxd8+* than *20...Rxd8 21.Qxc7 Bxe3#)* 20...Bxe3+ 21.Rd2! This is more precise Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: '!' Roiz,M: 'This is more precise'' Rxd2 22.Qxe7 Rad8 23.Qxe3 Rd1#;

B2c2) 18.Bc4 White has to push - otherwise he might find himself on the defending side. Perunovic, Milos: 'Roiz,M: 'White has to push - otherwise he might find himself on the defending side.'' 18...Rc8 19.Qd5 Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram

' e6 A cold-blooded consolidating move. Perunovic,Milos: '!' '!' Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz,M: 'A cold-blooded consolidating move." 20.Qxa8 *(20.Qb5 Qf4+ 21.Kb1=* Black is gonna regain the pawn very soon. Perunovic,Milos: 'Roiz, M: '=' Roiz,M: 'Black is gonna regain the pawn very soon." *Bxd4)* 20...Qxa8! GM Harikrishna's novelty is an improvement Perunovic, Milos: 'N' 'N' Perunovic, Milos: 'Roiz,M: '!' Roiz,M: 'GM Harikrishna's novelty is an improvement'' 21.Bxg7 White wasn't able to avoid trading queens. Perunovic, Milos: 'Roiz,M: 'White wasn't able to avoid trading queens." Kxg7 22.Bd3 ½-½ (22) Carlsen,M (2862)-Harikrishna,P (2732) Wijk aan Zee NED 2021 [Roiz, M]]

[12.Bh6 Bh8 13.Nxd5 cxd5 14.Qxd5 Rb8 15.c3 Qb6 16.Qb5 Qc7 17.Qc4 Qb6 18.Qb4 Qc7 19.Qf4 Be5 20.Qe3 Be6 21.Bxf8 Bf4 22.Bh6 Bxe3+ 23.Bxe3 Bxa2 24.Bd3 Bb3

25.Rd2 Qa5 26.Bb1 h5 27.Bf4 e5 28.Bg5 Qa1 29.Rd8+ Rxd8 30.Bxd8 Ba2 31.Kc2 Bxb1+ 32.Rxb1 Qa4+ 33.b3 Qd7 34.Rd1 Qf5+ 35.Kb2 e4 36.fxe4 Qf2+ 37.Kb1 Qe2 38.Rd4 g5 39.h4 Qf1+ 40.Kb2 Qxg2+ 41.Ka3 gxh4 42.Bxh4 a5 43.e5 Qh1 44.Bf6 Qa1# 0-1 (44) Vistagausta (2839)-Sijavush (2584) Blitz 2020]

12...Bxd4

[12...Nxc3 Chris Ward: '[%draw full, a 7] [% d r a w f u l l , c 6] ' 13.Qxc3 *(13.Bxc3 Be6 14.Bd3 Bxc3 15.Qxc3 Qd5 16.h4 Qxa2 17.h5 g5 18.h6 f6 19.Rhe1 Rfd8 20.Re2 Rab8 21.Qa3 Qxa3 22.bxa3 Rxd3 23.cxd3 Bb3 24.Rde1 e6 25.Rb2 Rb6 26.Kd2 Bd5 27.Rxb6 axb6 28.a4 Bb3 29.Ra1 e5 30.Kc3 Be6 31.Rb1 b5 32.a5 Kf7 33.a6 Bc8 34.Ra1 Kg6 35.a7 Bb7 36.Kb4 Ba8 37.Kc5 g4 38.Ra6 gxf3 39.gxf3 Kxh6 40.Rb6 Kg5 41.Rb8 Kf4 42.Rxa8 h5 43.Rb8 Ke3 44.a8Q h4 45.Qxc6 f5 46.Qf6 e4 47.Qe5 Ke2 48.Rxb5 Kxf3 49.Qxf5+ Kg3 50.Qxe4 h3 51.Rb2 h2 52.Rg2+ Kh3 53.Qg4#* 1-0 (53) Duchessai (2903)-Pseudo (2425) Rapid 2025 *)*

A) 13...Bxd4 14.Rxd4 Qc7 15.Bc4 a5 *(15...Rb8 16.b3 c5 17.Re4 Bb7 18.Re5 e6 19.h4 Rbd8 20.h5 Rd4 21.Qe3 Rfd8 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Kb2 Qe7 24.Qh6 Qf6 25.Rxe6 Rh4+ 26.Rxf6 Rxh6 27.Rxh6 Bd5 28.Rh4 Bxc4 29.Rxc4 Rd2 30.Rxc5 Rxg2 31.Ra6 Rf2 32.a4 Rxf3 33.Rxa7 Kg7 34.a5 Rf6 35.Kc3 Kh6 36.Rac7 g5 37.R5c6 Rxc6+ 38.Rxc6+ Kg7 39.a6 g4 40.a7 g3 41.a8Q g2 42.Qd8 g1Q 43.Qf6+ Kh7 44.Qh6+ Kg8 45.Rc8#* 1-0 (45) Integralbot (2919)-Letsgo Torch (2454) Blitz 2024*)* 16.Re4 Bf5 17.Re5 a4 18.h4 a3 19.g4 axb2+ 20.Kb1 Be6 21.Rxe6 fxe6 22.Bxe6+ Rf7 23.h5 Qd6 24.Qc4 Raf8 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Qc3 1-0 (26) Asliceofpi (2951)-Letsgo Torch (2455) Blitz 2024;

B) 13...Bh6+ 14.Be3 Bxe3+ 15.Qxe3

B1) 15...Qb6

B1a) 16.Re1 Be6 17.h4 Rfd8 18.h5 Rd7 19.hxg6 Qxe3+ 20.Rxe3 hxg6 21.Rc3 Rc8 *(21...Rad8 22.Ba6 Rd2 23.Rg1 R2d6 24.Rc5 Kg7 25.Be2 Rh8 26.Ra5 Rd7 27.Rc5 Rd6 28.Ra5 Rd7 29.Rd1 Rc7 30.Rc5 Rh2 31.Rg1 f6 32.Bb5 Bd7 33.Bd3 Be8 34.Kd2 Rh5 35.Rxh5 gxh5 36.g4 hxg4 37.Rxg4+ Kf8 38.Rh4 Bf7 39.a3 Ke8 40.c4 Kd7 41.Kc3 c5 42.b4 Kd6 43.Rh1 Rc8 44.b5 Rg8 45.a4 a5 46.Be4 Be8 47.Rd1+ Kc7 48.Bd5 Rg5 49.Rb1 Rh5 50.Rg1 Rg5 51.Rb1 Rh5 52.b6+ Kb8 53.Re1 Re5 54.Rg1 e6 55.f4 Re3+ 56.Kd2 Rb3 57.Bh1 Rxb6 58.Rg8 Rd6+ 59.Kc3 Rd8 60.Bc6 Bxc6 61.Rxd8+ Kc7 62.Rf8 f5 63.Rf7+ Kd6 64.Kb3 Bd7 65.Rf6 Ke7 66.Rh6 Kd6 67.Rh1 Bc6 68.Rd1+ Kc7 69.Rd2 Bd7 70.Ka3 Bc6 71.Rd3 Bd7 72.Rh3 Kd6 73.Kb3 Bc6 74.Rh8 Kc7 75.Rh7+ Bd7 76.Ka3 Kd6 77.Rh1 Kc7 78.Re1 Kd6 79.Rd1+ Kc7 80.Ra1 Be8 81.Re1 Bd7*

82.Ka2 Kd6 83.Rd1+ Kc7 84.Re1 Kd6 85.Rd1+ Kc7 86.Kb3 Bc6 87.Ka3 Bd7 88.Kb2 Bc6 89.Kc3 Be4 90.Kd2 Bc6 91.Kc3 Be4 92.Rg1 Bc6 93.Rg6 Bd7 94.Rg7 Kd6 95.Rg2 Bc6 96.Rg1 Bd7 97.Rd1+ Kc7 98.Kd2 Bc6 99.Ke3 Be8 100.Ra1 Kd6 101.Kf2 Kd7 102.Kg3 Ke7 103.Kh4 Kf6 104.Ra3 Bd7 105.Re3 Ke7 106.Kg5 Bxa4 107.Ra3 Bc2 108.Rxa5 Bb3 109.Rxc5 Kd6 110.Ra5 Bxc4 111.Kf6 Bd3 112.Ra1 Bc4 113.Rd1+ Bd5 114.Rg1 Kd7 115.Rg7+ Ke8 116.Ra7 Bc4 117.Re7+ Kd8 118.Rg7 Ke8 119.Rg8+ Kd7 120.Rg1 Bd5 121.Rg7+ Kd8 122.Ke5 Ke8 123.Rh7 Kf8 124.Kf6 Ke8 125.Re7+ Kd8 126.Ra7 Ke8 127.Ra1 Kd7 128.Rb1 Ke8 129.Ra1 Kd7 130.Ra6 Ke8 131.Ra7 Kd8 132.Rg7 Ke8 133.Rg8+ Kd7 134.Rg1 Ke8 135.Rg8+ Kd7 136.Rg1 Ke8 137.Ke5 Kf7 138.Rc1 Ke7 139.Ra1 Kf7 140.Ra7+ Ke8 141.Ra1 Ke7 142.Rc1 Kd7 143.Rc3 Kd8 144.Kf6 Kd7 145.Rh3 Ba2 146.Rc3 Ke8 147.Ra3 Bd5 148.Ra6 Kd7 149.Ra1 Kd8 150.Rd1 Ke8 151.Rxd5 exd5 152.Ke5 d4 153.Kxd4 Kf8 154.Ke5 Kg7 155.Ke6 Kg6 156.Ke7 Kg7 157.Kd6 Kf6 158.Kd7 Kf7 159.Kd6 Kg8 160.Ke5 Kf8 161.Kd4 Ke7 162.Kc5 Kf8 163.Kd6 Kg8 164.Ke5 Kg7 165.Ke6 Kg6 166.Kd5 Kh7 167.Kd4 Kg6 168.Kc5 Kh7 169.Kd5 Kh6 170.Kd6 Kh7 171.Kd5 Kh6 172.Ke6 Kg6 ½-½ (172) Ultimatel (2873)-Sf Nnue (2808) Blitz 2023*)* 22.Bc4 Bxc4 23.Rxc4 f6 24.c3 Kf7 25.Rh7+ Kg8 26.Rh1 Kf7 27.Ra4 c5 28.Rh7+ Kg8 29.Rh2 Rc6 30.g4 c4 31.f4 Rdc7 32.Rd2 Rc5 33.Ra6 Kf7 34.Rd4 g5 35.f5 Re5 36.Ra4 Rec5 37.Ra6 Re5 38.Ra4 Rec5 39.Re4 a5 40.Kc2 R7c6 41.Kd2 Rd6+ 42.Kc1 Rdc6 43.Kc2 e6 44.fxe6+ Ke7 45.Kc1 Rc7 46.Kc2 R7c6 47.a3 Rc7 48.Kd1 R7c6 49.Kc1 Rc7 50.Kd1 R7c6 51.Kd2 Rc7 52.Ke3 R7c6 53.Kd4 Rc7 54.Re3 R7c6 55.Re4 Rc7 56.Ke3 R7c6 57.Kf3 Rc7 58.Ke3 ½-½ (58) Caissa,X (2931)-Unbalancebot (2931) Blitz 2023;

B1b) 16.Qxb6 axb6 [%draw full,a2];

B1c) 16.Qxe7 Chris Ward: 'White must accept this pawn offering if he is to try to prove an advantage. White must accept this pawn offering if he is to try to prove an advantage. ' 16...Be6 17.Qa3 Chris Ward: 'The queen returns to offer some defence on the queenside. [%draw arrow,d8,d5] [%draw arrow,d5,a5] The queen returns to offer some defence on the queenside.' *(17.Qf6 Rfd8 18.Bd3 Rd5 19.Rhe1 Rad8 20.b3 Bf5 21.Re7 Be6*

22.Re1 Rf8 1-0 (22) Lintchevski,D (2899)-Koroshalizadegan (2640) Blitz 2024*; 17.Bd3 Rab8 18.Qa3 Rfd8 19.h4 Rd5 20.h5 Ra5 21.Qc3 Qe3+ 22.Qd2 Qxd2+ 23.Kxd2 Rxa2 24.b3 Rxb3 25.h6 Kf8 26.Rb1 Rb6 27.Ra1 Rxa1 28.Rxa1 Rb7 29.Ra6 Rc7 30.g4 f6 31.Kc3 Ke7 32.Kd4 Kd6 33.c4 Ke7 34.Kc5 Bd7 35.Ra1 Kf7 36.Rb1 Be6 37.Be4 f5 38.gxf5 gxf5 39.Bc2 Kf6 40.Ba4 Bf7 41.Kd6 Re7 42.c5 Re6+ 43.Kc7 Re5 44.Rc1 Bd5 45.Bxc6 Re7+ 46.Kd6 Bxc6 47.Kxc6 Kg5 48.Kd6 Re8 49.c6 Kxh6 50.Kd7 Kg5 51.Kxe8* 1-0 (51) Lunaticxxx (2813)-Theredking89 (2765) Blitz 2021 *)*

B1c1) 17...Rad8 18.Bd3 Rd5 Chris Ward: 'A nice flexible move preparing doubling of the rooks on the d-file as well as a swinger to a5 to net the a2-pawn. [%draw arrow,d5,a5] [%draw arrow,a5,a2] [%draw arrow,a2,a1] [%draw full,b2] A nice flexible move preparing doubling of the rooks on the d-file as well as a swinger to a5 to net the a2-pawn.' 19.b3 *(* Effectively guarding that a-pawn when *19.Rhe1 Ra5 20.Qc3 Rxa2 21.b3 Ra5* would be fine for Black. *)* 19...Rfd8 20.Rhe1 *(* I think that we can conclude that the most recent challenger to Magnus's crown isn't a studious follower of ChessPublishing or else he would have been aware of why I think that we can conclude that the most recent challenger to Magnus's crown isn't a studious follower of chesspublishing or else he would have been aware of why I think that we can conclude that the most recent challenger to Magnus's crown isn't a studious follower of ChessPublishing or else he would have been aware of why *20.Rde1!* is the only serious testing move here. Black was threatening to drop his queen in on f2 and indeed the black queen can menace White's kingside if White attempts to trade off all the rooks.. is the only serious testing move here. Black was threatening to drop his queen in on f2 and indeed the black queen can menace White's kingside if White attempts to trade off all the rooks.. *)*

B1c11) Previously on the site we concluded 20...Bf5 21.Qe7 *(21.Qa6??* allows *Rxd3!; 21.Qb2 Qb4 22.Bc4 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 24.Kxd1 Qc5 25.g4 Qg1+ 26.Ke2*

Qxh2+ 27.Ke3 Qg1+ 28.Ke2 Qg2+ 29.Ke3 Qg1+ 30.Ke2 Qg2+ 1/2-1/2 was Burrows,M (2147)-Hawkins,J (2511) Brighton 2013. ½-½ was Burrows,M (2147)-Hawkins,J (2511) Brighton 2013. <-< was Burrows,M (2147)-Hawkins,J (2511) Brighton 2013.*; 21.Kb1 c5 22.Qb2 Qd6 23.Qc3 Qxh2 24.g4? Bxd3 25.cxd3 Qf4* left White under pressure in Prihodko,I (2048)-Sadykov,A (2267) Naberezhnye Chelny 2010. left White under pressure in Prihodko,I (2048)-Sadykov,A (2267) Naberezhnye Chelny 2010. *)* 21...Bxd3 22.cxd3 Rxd3 23.Rxd3 Rxd3 24.Qe8+ Kg7 25.Qe5+ is a draw! Perhaps Black was trying for more as instead he plans on advancing his pawns to challenge the white defensive shell. is a draw! Perhaps Black was trying for more as instead he plans on advancing his pawns to challenge the white defensive shell.;

B1c12) 20...a5

B1c121) 21.Qb2 Qc5 [%draw full,b4] [%draw full,c3] [%draw arrow, a5,a4] *(*Both *21...a4;* and *21...Qf2 22.Re2 Qc5* were worthy of consideration. With the queen on c5, Black is threatening to take on d3. were worthy of consideration. With the queen on c5, Black is threatening to take on d3. *)* 22.Kb1 Rd4 *(* Shutting out the white queen but *22...a4!?* ready to meet ready to meet *23.Be2?!* with *Qf2!* was also very possible. *)*

B1c1211)

White searches for a way to get his queen into the game but actually White searches for a way to get his queen into the game but actually 23.a4! might have made Black regret not getting that move in himself last turn. Note the tactic might have made Black regret not getting that move in himself last turn. Note the tactic Bxb3?? wouldn't have been on because of 24.cxb3 *(*And not *24.Qxb3?? Rb4)* 24...Rxd3 25.Rxd3 Rxd3 26.Re8+;

B1c1212) 23.Qc1 a4 Now there is

serious pressure against both b3 and d3. [%draw full,g8] Now there is serious pressure against both b3 and d3. 24.Be4 f5 *(24...Qb6!? seriously scrutinising b3 looks rather tempting.. seriously scrutinising b3 looks rather tempting..)* 25.Rxd4 Rxd4 26.Bd3 axb3

B1c12121)

27.Rxe6?

is just very good for Black i.e. bxa2+ 28.Ka1 *(or 28.Kb2 Rb4+ 29.Kxa2 Ra4+ 30.Kb1 Qb6+ 31.Qb2 Qg1+ 32.Qc1 Rb4+)* 28...Rxd3;

B1c12122)

27.cxb3 Qxc1+ 28.Kxc1 Bxb3 Regaining the pawn. Now it should just be a draw but in this game with a time limit of 15 minutes each with a small increment, the World number 2 possibly in trying too hard to win, soon goes horribly wrong. Regaining the pawn. Now it should just be a draw but in this game with a time limit of 15 minutes each with a small increment, the World number 2 possibly in trying too hard to win, soon goes horribly wrong. 29.Bb1 *(29.axb3 Rxd3 30.Kc2 Rd5 31.Re8+ Kf7 32.Rc8 Rc5+* and the players could shake hands. and the players could shake hands. *)* 29...Bf7 30.Re7 Ra4 31.Re2 *(31.Kb2 Rb4+ 32.Kc2 Rc4+ 33.Kb2 Rb4+* and a draw by repetition would be normal but a disaster is brewing. *)* 31...Kg7 32.Kb2 Rb4+ 33.Kc2 Rc4+ 34.Kd3 Ra4 35.Rb2 Kf6 36.Kc3 Rc4+ 37.Kb3 c5 White's playing for a win has resulted in Black getting the upper hand. 38.a4?? *(* Now White may suffer a little but *38.Rd2* should see White hold.

Instead we see a total blunder. should see White hold. Instead we see a total blunder.) 38...Rc1+ 39.Ka3 Rc3+ The point is of course that White no longer has the a4-square for his king. The point is of course that White no longer has the a4-square for his king. 40.Rb3 Rxb3+ 0-1 (40) Caruana,F (2828)-Moranda,W (2593) chess.com INT 2019 [Chris Ward];

B1c122) 21.Qe7 R5d6 22.Qh4 Qc5 23.Kb2 Rd4 24.Qf2 Qe7 25.Re4 Rxe4 26.fxe4 a4 27.Kb1 c5 28.Be2 Rb8 29.Qf1 axb3 30.axb3 demonstrates the sort of activity Black has for his pawn. After demonstrates the sort of activity Black has for his pawn. After Qb7 a draw was agreed in Pavillar,P (2163)-Simmelink,J (2297) Chessfriend. com 2005 although arguably Black is or at at least was a bit better. a draw was agreed in Pavillar,P (2163)-Simmelink,J (2297) Chessfriend. com 2005 although arguably Black is or at at least was a bit better.;

B1c123) 21.Re4 Bf5 22.Ree1 Bxd3 23.Rxd3 Rxd3 24.cxd3 Qf2 25.Qxa5 Rd5 26.Qd2 Qd4 27.Kb1 h5 28.Re8+ Kg7 29.Qb2 Qxb2+ 30.Kxb2 Rxd3 31.Re2 h4 32.Rc2 h3 33.gxh3 Rxf3 34.a4 Re3 35.a5 Re5 36.b4 c5 37.Rxc5 Re6 38.b5 f5 39.a6 f4 40.a7 Re8 41.b6 f3 42.b7 f2 43.Rc1 Re1 44.b8Q Rxc1 45.Qe5+ Kh7 46.Qe7+ Kh6 47.Qh4+ Kg7 48.Qe7+ Kh6 49.Qe3+ Kg7 50.Qxc1 Normal 1-0 (50) Neverstop93 (2843)-Saqochess (2648) Blitz 2024;

B1c2) 17...Rfd8 18.Bd3 *(18.Rxd8+ Rxd8* [%draw full,f2] [%draw full, g2] [%draw arrow,f2,d2] [%draw arrow,d2,d1] [%draw arrow,f2,g2] *)*

B1c21) 18...Rd5 [%draw arrow,d5,a5] 19.Rhe1 Ra5 20.Qc3 Rxa2 21.b3 [%draw full, e6] c5 is highlighted in the 22.Rxe6! Qxe6 23.Bc4 Qc6 *(* Note the strength of *23...Qb6*

24.Bxf7+! Kxf7 25.Rd7+ Ke6 26.Qg7 [%draw full, e6] *)* 24.Bd5 [%draw arrow,d5,c6] [%draw arrow,c6,a8] [%draw full,a8] [%draw full,f8] seen in Rowson,J-Mah,K Birmingham ENG 1999. Clearly the rook can be a liability on a8.;

B1c22) 18...Qf2 19.Rd2 Qe3 20.Qc3 Rd5 21.Kd1 Rad8 22.Re1 Qf4 23.h3 c5 24.Ree2 c4 25.Be4 R5d7 26.Rxd7 Rxd7+ 27.Rd2 Qh2 28.Rxd7 Bxd7 29.f4 Qxf4 30.Qxc4 Be6 31.Qd3 Qe5 32.Kc1 Qa5 33.c4 Qxa2 34.Qd8+ Kg7 35.Qd4+ Kg8 36.Qd8+ Kg7 37.Qd4+ Kg8 38.c5 h5 39.Bf3 a5 40.c6 Qa1+ 41.Kd2 a4 42.Qc3 Qg1 43.c7 Qf2+ 44.Kd1 Qf1+ 45.Kd2 Qf2+ 46.Kd1 Qf1+ 47.Kc2 Qf2+ 48.Kd3 Bf5+ 49.Be4 Bc8 50.Bf3 Qb6 51.Kc2 Bf5+ 52.Kd2 Qf2+ 53.Be2 Qf4+ 54.Kd1 Qd6+ 55.Bd3 Bc8 56.Qc4 Qb6 57.g4 hxg4 58.hxg4 Kg7 59.Kc2 f6 60.g5 fxg5 61.Qc3+ Qf6 62.Bb5 g4 63.Bxa4 Kf7 64.Qxf6+ Kxf6 65.Kd2 Ke7 66.Ke3 Kd6 67.Kf4 g3 68.Kf3 g2 69.Kxg2 Kxc7 70.Bd1 g5 71.b3 g4 72.Bxg4 Bxg4 73.Kg3 Bd1 74.b4 Bc2 75.Kg4 Bb1 76.Kg5 Ba2 77.b5 Bb1 78.Kf6 Ba2 79.Ke7 Bb1 80.Ke8 Ba2 81.b6+ Kxb6 ½-½ (81) MacUser60 (2944)-Dragonbot (2912) Blitz 2023;

B2) 15...Qa5 16.Bc4 e6

B2a) 17.Rd6 Ba6 18.Bb3 Bb5 19.Rhd1 Ba4 20.Bc4 Qb4 *(20...Rad8 21.Qd2 Qxd2+ 22.R1xd2 Rxd6 23.Rxd6 Bb5 24.Bd3 Bxd3 25.Rxd3 Rb8 26.Rd7 a5 27.Rc7 Rb6 28.a4 Ra6 29.f4 h6 30.h4 Rb6 31.b3 Rb4 32.Rxc6 Rxf4 33.Rc5 Rxh4 34.Rxa5 Kg7 35.Rb5 Rh1+ 36.Kb2 Rd1 37.a5 Rd6 38.Rb6 Rd8 39.a6 Ra8 40.b4 e5 41.Kc1 e4 42.Kd2 h5 43.b5 h4 44.Ke3 g5 45.Kxe4 g4 46.Kf4 h3 47.gxh3 gxh3 48.Kg3 Rh8 49.Kh2 Ra8 50.Kxh3 Rh8+ 51.Kg4 Ra8 52.Rb7 Rc8 53.a7 Rc4+ 54.Kf5 Ra4 55.b6 Ra5+ 56.Kf4 Kf6 57.Rb8 Rf5+ 58.Ke3 Re5+ 59.Kd4 Ra5 60.a8Q Rxa8 61.Rxa8 Kf5 62.Rg8 Ke6 63.b7 f6 64.b8Q Ke7 65.Rg7+ Ke6 66.Qc8+ Kd6 67.Qa6#* 1-0 (67) Server Stockfish (2829)-Pseudo (2327) Rapid 2023*)* 21.R1d4 Qa5 22.b3 Bb5 23.a4 Bxc4 24.Rxc4 Rab8 25.Rdxc6 Rbd8 26.R6c5 Qb6 27.Kb2 Qd6 28.h4 Qh2 29.h5 a6 30.h6 Rfe8 31.Rc6 Qh5 32.Rxa6 Rf8 33.g4 Qh3 34.Rac6 e5 35.a5 Qh2 36.g5

Rfe8 37.a6 Qh3 38.Rc7 Qe6 39.a7 Qd6 40.Qc3 Ra8 41.f4 Kf8 42.Rb7 Kg8 43.Rcc7 Rf8 44.Qxe5 Qxe5+ 45.fxe5 Rae8 46.e6 Rxe6 47.Rxf7 Rc8 48.Rxh7 Re7 49.Rbxe7 Kf8 50.Rb7 Kg8 51.Rbg7+ Kf8 52.Rh8# Normal 1-0 (52) Proteussfx Ai (3101)-Pseudo (2432) Rapid 2024;

B2b) 17.Rd3 Rb8 18.Rhd1 Rb4 19.Qd2 Qc5 20.b3 Rb6 21.a4 Qa3+ 22.Kb1 Qxa4 23.Qc3 Qb4 24.Qf6 Qxc4 25.Rd8 Rxb3+ 26.Kc1 Rb1+ 27.Kxb1 Qb4+ 28.Kc1 Qa3+ 29.Kb1 Qb4+ 30.Kc1 Qa3+ 31.Kd2 Ba6 32.Rxf8+ Kxf8 33.Qd8+ Kg7 34.Qd4+ e5 35.Qxe5+ f6 36.Qc7+ Kh6 37.Qxc6 Qb4+ 38.Qc3 Qh4 39.Kc1 Qg5+ 40.Qd2 Be2 41.Re1 Bb5 42.Re7 Qxd2+ 43.Kxd2 Bf1 44.g3 a6 45.Rf7 f5 46.Rc7 a5 47.Ke1 Ba6 48.Ra7 Bc4 49.Rxa5 Kg5 50.Kd2 Kf6 51.Ra4 Bb5 52.Rb4 Bd7 53.f4 Ke6 54.Rd4 h6 55.c4 Bc6 56.c5 Bd5 57.Kc3 h5 58.Rd2 Bf3 59.Rd6+ Ke7 60.Kd4 Bg2 61.Ke5 Be4 62.h4 Bf3 63.c6 Bg2 64.c7 Bb7 65.Rd8 Ba6 66.Kd5 g5 67.hxg5 h4 68.gxh4 Bb7+ 69.Ke5 Kf7 70.Kxf5 Ke7 71.c8Q Bxc8+ 72.Rxc8 Kd7 73.Rc2 Ke8 74.Ke6 Kf8 75.Kf6 Kg8 76.g6 Kf8 77.Rc8# 1-0 (77) Solidor59 (2935)-Pseudo (2436) Blitz 2024;

B2c) 17.h4 Ba6 18.Bb3 Rfd8 *(18...Qb6 19.Qh6 Rfd8 20.Rde1 Qd4 21.h5 Qg7 22.Qg5 Rab8 23.hxg6 hxg6 24.Rh4 Rd6 25.Reh1 Rbd8 26.c3 R8d7 27.Rh6 Bd3 28.f4 Be2 29.Rh8+ Qxh8 30.Rxh8+ Kxh8 31.Qe5+ Kg8 32.Qxe2 Kf8 33.Bc4 Kg8 34.g4 Kf8 35.b4 Ke7 36.Qe3 Kd8 37.Kc2 Ke7 38.f5 gxf5 39.gxf5 Kd8 40.fxe6 fxe6 41.Kb3 Rc7 42.Qe5 Kd7 43.a4 Rd5 44.Bxd5 exd5 45.a5 Kc8 46.Qe6+ Kd8 47.Qd6+ Kc8 48.a6 Rd7 49.Qxc6+ Kd8 50.b5 Ke7 51.b6 axb6 52.Qxb6 Kf7 53.a7 Rxa7 54.Qxa7+ Kf6 55.c4 dxc4+ 56.Kxc4 Kg6 57.Qf2 Kg7 58.Kd5 Kg6 59.Ke6 Kg5 60.Qg3+ Kh5 61.Kf5 Kh6 62.Qg6#* Normal 1-0 (62) Proteussfx Ai (3083)-Pseudo (2434) Rapid 2024; *18...h5 19.g4 Rab8 20.Rhg1 Bc8 21.a4 Rb7 22.Qh6 hxg4 23.Rxg4 Qe5 24.h5 Qh8 25.Qg5 Qg7 26.Qe3 Re7 27.Rdg1 Kh7 28.Bc4 Kg8 29.hxg6 f5 30.Rh4 f4 31.Qc5 Rb7 32.c3 Qe7 33.Qh5 Qg7 34.Rgh1 Qf6 35.Qc5 Rd8 36.Rh6 Kg7 37.Rh7+ Kg8 38.Qh5 Rxh7 39.Qxh7+ Kf8 40.Qh8+ Qxh8 41.Rxh8+ Kg7 42.Rxd8 Ba6 43.Bxa6 Kxg6 44.Rd6 Kf6 45.Bc4 Ke7 46.Rxc6 e5 47.Bd5 Kd8 48.a5 Kd7 49.Be4 Kd8 50.Ra6 Kd7 51.Rxa7+ Kd6 52.Rh7 Kc5 53.a6 Kd6 54.a7 Ke6 55.a8Q Kf6 56.Qc6+ Kg5 57.Qg6#* 1-0 (57) Solidor59

(2888)-Pseudo (2397) Blitz 2024 *)* 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.h5 gxh5 21.a3 Rd7 22.Kb1 Qf5 23.Ka2 *(23.Rh3 Kf8 24.Ka2 Bf1 25.Rg3 a5 26.a4 Rd6 27.Qh6+ Ke7 28.Rg5 Qf4 29.Qxh5 Bc4 30.Rg4 Bxb3+ 31.cxb3 Qf5 32.Rg5 Qf4 33.Rxa5 h6 34.Qc5 Qd4 35.Ra7+ Kf6 36.Qxd4+ Rxd4 37.Rc7 Rd2 38.Rxc6 Rxg2 39.a5 Rg8 40.b4 Rb8 41.Kb3 h5 42.Ka4 h4 43.b5 h3 44.b6 Kf5 45.Rc1 f6 46.Kb5 Rd8 47.b7 Rb8 48.a6 h2 49.Kb6 e5 50.a7 Rxb7+ 51.Kxb7 h1Q 52.Rxh1 Kf4 53.a8Q Kg3 54.Qg8+ Kxf3 55.Rh3+ Kf4 56.Kc6 e4 57.Qg3+ Kf5 58.Kd5 e3 59.Rh5#* Normal 1-0 (59) Proteussfx Ai (3138)-Pseudo (2427) Rapid 2024*)* 23...c5 *(23...Bb5 24.Rh3 Kf8 25.Rg3 Bf1 26.Rg5 Qf6 27.Rxh5 Qd4 28.Qh6+ Qg7 29.Qf4 Ke8 30.Qh4 Qd4 31.Qg5 Bc4 32.Rh4 Bxb3+ 33.cxb3 Qd2 34.Qg8+ Ke7 35.Rxh7 Qf4 36.Rh8 Kf6 37.Qf8 Qd2 38.Rh6+ Ke5 39.Rh4 Qf2 40.Re4+ Kf6 41.Rf4+ Ke5 42.Qb8+ Kd5 43.Re4 Rd6 44.Qh8 f6 45.Qxf6 c5 46.Qg7 Qd2 47.Qb7+ Rc6 48.Rg4 Qh6 49.Rg7 Qxg7 50.Qxg7 a5 51.g4 Rd6 52.Qb7+ Ke5 53.Qe4+ Kf6 54.g5+ Ke7 55.Qh7+ Ke8 56.g6 Rd2 57.g7 Rg2 58.g8Q+ Rxg8 59.Qxg8+ Ke7 60.Qa8 Kd6 61.Qxa5 e5 62.Qe1 Kd5 63.a4 Kc6 64.Qxe5 Kd7 65.Qxc5 Ke6 66.a5 Kf7 67.a6 Kf6 68.a7 Ke6 69.a8Q Kf6 70.Qaf8+ Kg6 71.Qcf5#* Normal 1-0 (71) Proteussfx Ai (3152)-Pseudo (2427) Rapid 2024*)* 24.Rh3 Rd8 25.Rg3+ Kh8 26.Rg5 Qf6 27.Rxc5 Bf1 28.g3 Bg2 29.Rc4 Ra8 30.Rh4 a5 31.a4 Rg8 32.Rf4 Qg7 33.Qa7 Rf8 34.Qf2 Bh3 35.Rh4 Bf5 36.Rxh5 Ra8 37.g4 Bg6 38.Rb5 Qf6 39.f4 Be4 40.Qe3 Bc6 41.g5 Qg7 42.Rc5 Bg2 43.f5 Bd5 44.c4 Bg2 45.fxe6 fxe6 46.Qxe6 Rg8 47.Rxa5 Rf8 48.Qe3 Rf7 49.c5 Rf8 50.Ra6 Bf3 51.c6 Bh5 52.Ra7 Bf7 53.Bxf7 Rxf7 54.c7 Qg8 55.c8Q Qxc8 56.Rxf7 Kg8 57.Qb3 Qc2 58.Rb7+ Qxb3+ 59.Kxb3 Kf8 60.a5 Ke8 61.a6 h5 62.a7 h4 63.a8Q# Normal 1-0 (63) Proteussfx Ai (3157)-Pseudo (2426) Rapid 2024]

[12...e5 Roiz,M: '!' 13.Bc5

A) 13...Re8

A1) 14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Qxd5 *(15.Bb5 d4 16.Bxe8 Qxe8 17.Rhe1 Qc6 18.Ba3 Bf5 19.g4 Bh6 20.gxf5 Bxd2+ 21.Rxd2 Qxf3 22.fxg6 f6 23.gxh7+ Kxh7 24.Kb1 Rg8 25.Rd3 Qf2 26.Rc1 Rg1 27.Rdd1 Rxd1 28.Rxd1 Qxh2 29.b3 f5 30.Bd6 Qe2 31.Rd3 f4 32.Kb2 f3 33.Bxe5 f2 34.Bxd4 f1Q 35.Bxa7 Qf6+ 36.Bd4 Qxd3 37.Bxf6 Qd6 38.Bc3 Kg6 39.a4 Kf5 40.b4 Ke4 41.b5 Kd5 42.Kb3 Qc5 43.Bb4 Qc4+*

44.Ka3 Qxc2 0-1 (44) Saraci,N (2838)-Cl3tvsK4s4dy (2712) Blitz 2023 *)* 15...Qg5+ 16.Qd2 Qh4 17.Bb5 Bh6 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 Re7 20.Rd8+ Kg7 21.Rhd1 Bb7 22.Rxa8 Bxa8 23.Rd8 Bb7 24.b3 e4 25.Qd4+ Qf6 26.Rg8+ 1-0 (26) Kelevra317 (2853)-Legendlord (2616) Blitz 2020;

A2) 14.Ne4 Qc7

A2a) 15.Bc4

A2a1) 15...Rd8 16.h4 Be6

A2a11) 17.Qf2 Nc3 *(17...Nf4 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.Ba3 Rd5 20.h5 Rad8 21.Rde1 f5 22.Nc3 Rd2 23.Re2 Rxe2 24.Qxe2 Bh6+ 25.Kb1 Rd2 26.Qe1 Bf4 27.hxg6 hxg6 28.g3 Bg5 29.f4 Bf6 30.Qxd2* 1-0 (30) Exhausted10 (2848)-Yakamuzosan (2679) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Rxd8+ Rxd8 19.Bxe6 Nxe4 20.fxe4 fxe6 21.h5 Bh6+ 22.Kb1 Rd2 23.Qg3 Qd7 24.Qf3 Qf7 25.Qxf7+ Kxf7 26.hxg6+ Kxg6 27.Rxh6+ Kg7 28.Rh1 Re2 29.c3 Rxe4 30.Bxa7 Re2 31.Bb8 e4 32.Be5+ Kg6 33.g3 e3 34.a4 Kf5 35.Bd4 e5 36.Rh5+ Kg4 37.Rxe5 Re1+ 38.Ka2 e2 39.Bf2 Rf1 40.Rxe2 Kf3 41.Rc2 h5 42.a5 Rd1 43.a6 Rd8 44.a7 Ra8 45.Bb6 c5 46.Bxc5 Ke4 47.Rh2 Kd3 48.Bb6 Kc4 49.Rxh5 Kd3 50.Rh6 Kc4 51.Rc6+ Kb5 52.Rf6 Ka6 53.Bd4+ Kb5 54.g4 Kc4 55.Rc6+ Kb5 56.Rg6 Kc4 57.g5 Kb5 58.Rg7 Rxa7+ 59.Rxa7 Kc4 60.Rh7 Kd5 61.g6 Kc4 62.g7 Kd3 63.Rh1 Kc2 64.Ra1 Kd3 65.Ka3 1-0 (65) Bettercollsoul (2865)-Agyzmal (2384) Blitz 2024;

A2a12) 17.Bb3 Nf4 *(17...a5 18.Ng5 Bh6 19.Kb1 a4 20.Bc4 Bf5 21.h5 f6 22.Ne6 Bxe6 23.Qxh6 Qg7 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Kc1 Qxh6+ 26.Rxh6 Kg7 27.Rdh1 Bg8 28.g3 g5 29.Bd3 Ra5 30.Ba3 c5 31.Rg6+ Kf7 32.Rhh6 Rd6 33.Bc4 Bh7 34.Bxd5+ Rxd5 35.Rxf6+ Kg7 36.Rc6 g4 37.fxg4 e4 38.Rhe6 Bg8 39.Re7+ Kf8 40.Rb7 Bf7 41.Rf6* 1-0 (41) Mothandtheflame (2829)-Yakamuzosan (2761) Blitz 2023*)* 18.Qf2 *(18.Bd6 Qb6 19.g3 Bxb3 20.axb3 Ne6 21.h5 a5 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Qh2 f5 24.Nc3 Kf7 25.g4 Rh8 26.Qe2 Nd4 27.Qc4+ Kf6 28.g5+ Kxg5 29.f4+ Kxf4 30.Rxd4+ Kg5 31.Rg1+ Kf6 32.Rdd1 Rh2 33.Bc5 Qa6 34.Ne4+ fxe4 35.Rdf1+* 1-0 (35) Exhausted10

(2841)-Yakamuzosan (2686) Blitz 2022) 18...Bd5 *(18...Bxb3 19.axb3 Rd5 20.g3 Ne6 21.Ba3 Rad8 22.h5 gxh5 23.Nc3 Rxd1+ 24.Nxd1 Bh6+ 25.Kb1 Qb6 26.Qe2 Qd4 27.Nc3 Qd2 28.Qxe5 Qg2 29.Qxh5* 1-0 (29) Donatella1954 (2850)-Mischuk,D (2700) Blitz 2022; *18...Qa5 19.Kb1 Bxb3 20.axb3 Ne6 21.h5 Rd5 22.b4 Qb5 23.hxg6 hxg6 24.Qh4 Nxc5 25.bxc5 Rb8 26.b3 Qe2 27.Rxd5 cxd5 28.Nf6+ Bxf6 29.Qxf6 Rxb3+ 30.cxb3 Qd3+ 31.Kc1 Qc3+ 32.Kd1 Qxb3+ 33.Ke2 Qc2+ 34.Kf1 Qd1+ 35.Kf2 Qxh1 36.c6 Qc1 37.Qd8+ Kg7 38.Qxd5 Qb2+ 39.Kg3 Qb8 40.Qd7 Qb4 41.c7 Qf4+ 42.Kf2 Qh4+ 43.Ke2 Qc4+ 44.Kd2 Qb4+ 45.Kd3 Qb1+ 46.Kc4 Qc2+ 47.Kb5 Qb3+ 48.Kc5 Qc3+ 49.Kd6 Qd4+ 50.Ke7 Qc5+ 51.Kd8 Qf8+ 52.Qe8 Qd6+ 53.Kc8 Qa6+ 54.Kb8 Qb6+ 55.Kc8 a5 56.Qxe5+ Kf8 57.Kd7 Qb7 58.Qe8+ Kg7 59.Qb8 Qd5+ 60.Ke8 Qe6+ 61.Kd8 Qd6+ 62.Kc8 Qe6+ 63.Kb7 Qd5+ 64.Ka7 Qd6 65.Qb6 Qd5 66.Qd4+ Qxd4+ 67.Kb7* 1-0 (67) Baidetskyi,V (2817)-Cd Brenadrez (2630) Blitz 2024) 19.h5 Nxh5 20.g4 Nf4 21.g5 Bxb3 22.axb3 Rd5 23.Qh4 Nh5 24.Be3 Rad8 25.Rde1 Qa5 26.Kb1 Qa6 27.Bc5 Qc8 28.Be7 Qf5 29.Bxd8 Rxd8 30.Qf2 Rd4 31.Qe3 Nf4 32.Rd1 Nd5 33.Qe2 a5 34.Rxd4 exd4 35.Qh2 Qxf3 36.Nf6+ Nxf6 37.gxf6 Qxf6 38.Qxh7+ Kf8 39.Qh3 d3 40.Qc8+ Ke7 41.Qc7+ Ke6 42.Qxc6+ Ke7 43.Re1+ Qe6 44.Rxe6+ fxe6 45.cxd3 Kf6 46.Qf3+ Ke7 47.Qe4 Bf6 48.Kc2 Kf7 49.b4 g5 50.bxa5 e5 51.Qh7+ Ke6 52.Qh1 g4 53.Qe4 g3 54.Qg4+ Kd6 55.Qxg3 Ke6 56.Qf3 e4 57.Qxe4+ Be5 58.d4 Kd6 59.Qxe5+ 1-0 (59) Mikegscarn (2875)-Yakamuzosan (2709) Blitz 2023;

A2a2) 15...Be6

A2a21) 16.Kb1 Red8 *(16...h6 17.h4 Red8 18.Bb3 a5 19.a4 Rab8 20.Qf2 f5 21.Nd2 e4 22.fxe4 fxe4 23.Nc4 Nc3+ 24.bxc3 Bxc4 25.Ka2 Bxb3+ 26.cxb3 Bxc3 27.Rhf1 Bg7 28.h5 gxh5 29.Qc2 Qe5 30.Be3 Rxd1 31.Rxd1 Rf8 32.Bc5 Rf5 33.Bd4*

Qg3 34.Qxe4 Rf2+ 35.Ka1 Qxb3 36.Qe8+ Rf8 37.Qe2 Qxa4+ 38.Qa2+ Qxa2+ 39.Kxa2 Rd8 0-1 (39) Mrbochwalt (2898)-Durarbayli (2792) Rapid 2021*; 16...f5 17.Ng5 Rad8 18.Nxe6 Rxe6 19.Qf2 Rd7 20.Bb3 h5 21.h4 Kh7 22.g4 Rf6 23.gxh5 gxh5 24.Rhg1 Nf4 25.Rge1 Rg6 26.Rxd7 Qxd7 27.Bxa7 Rg2 28.Qc5 Re2 29.Rg1 Nh3 30.Rf1 Rf2 31.Rh1 Rxf3 32.a4 e4 33.a5 Nf2 34.Rg1 e3 35.Qc4 Ng4 36.Bc5 Qd8 37.a6 Ne5 38.Qe6 e2 39.Rxg7+ Kxg7 40.Qxe5+ Qf6 41.Qxe2* 1-0 (41) Solitarylife (2885)-Mischuk,D (2713) Blitz 2023*)* 17.Bb3 Nf4 18.Qf2 Bxb3 19.cxb3 Rd5 20.g3 Ne6 21.Be3 a5 22.Nc3 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Nd4 24.f4 c5 25.Qg2 Rc8 26.fxe5 Qxe5 27.Bf4 Qf5+ 28.Qe4 Qh5 29.Rc1 Qxh2 30.Bd6 Qh5 31.g4 Qg5 32.Nd5 Kh8 33.Rxc5 Rg8 34.Ne7 Rd8 35.Rxg5 1-0 (35) Caviar2068 (2933)-Pierdolic (2781) Blitz 2022;

A2a22) 16.Bb3 Red8 *(16...Rad8 17.Kb1 h6 18.g4 Rd7 19.Qf2 Red8 20.h4 f5 21.gxf5 gxf5 22.Nd2 Nf4 23.Be3 Bxb3 24.axb3 Nd5 25.Bc5 Nf4 26.Be3 Ne6 27.Qe2 f4 28.Bf2 Qd6 29.Ne4 Qxd1+ 30.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 31.Ka2 R8d5 32.b4 Rh1 33.Qc4* 1-0 (33) Lunaticxxx (2838)-Kutiktau (2747) Blitz 2021*)* 17.Qf2 *(17.g4 Nf4 18.Qe3 Bd5 19.h4 h6 20.h5 g5 21.Rd2 Ne6 22.Rhd1 Nd4 23.Kb1 a5 24.Ba4 Rab8 25.c3 Ne6 26.Ba3 Nf4 27.b3 Ne6 28.Bb2 Bxe4+ 29.fxe4 c5 30.Rd5 c4 31.Rd7 Rxd7 32.Rxd7 Qc8 33.Qf2 Nf4 34.Qa7 Qf8 35.Rxf7 Qxf7 36.Qxb8+ Kh7 37.Qe8 Qa7 38.Bd7 Qg1+ 39.Bc1 Bf6 40.Qf7+ Bg7 41.Bf5+* 1-0 (41) Gogotaniye (2819)-Yakamuzosan (2710) Blitz 2022*)* 17...h6 18.Kb1 f5 19.Nd2 a5 20.a4 Rab8 21.Nc4 Kh7 22.Rhe1 Nc3+ 23.bxc3 Bxc4 24.Ka2 Qf7 25.Rxd8 Bxb3+ 26.Ka3 Rxd8 27.cxb3 Rd3 28.Re3 Rd1 29.Re1 Rd5 30.Kb2 Qd7 31.Kc2 Rd3 32.Re3 Rd5 33.Re2 h5 34.Rd2 e4 35.fxe4 fxe4 36.Rxd5 cxd5 37.h3 Bh6 38.Qe2 Qf5 39.b4 e3+ 40.Kb2 axb4 41.cxb4 Bg7+ 42.Kb3 Qb1+ 43.Ka3 d4 44.a5 d3 45.Qxe3 Qb2+ 46.Ka4 d2 47.Qd3 Qc1

48.a6 d1Q+ 49.Qxd1 Qxd1+ 50.Kb5 Qd7+ 51.Kb6 Be5 52.a7 Qc7+ 53.Ka6 Qc8+ 54.Kb6 Bc7+ 55.Kb5 Qb7+ 56.Kc4 Bb8 57.axb8Q Qxb8 58.b5 g5 59.b6 Kg6 60.Kb5 Qb7 61.g4 hxg4 62.hxg4 Kf6 63.Bd4+ Ke6 64.Be3 Kd5 65.Bxg5 Qc6+ 66.Ka6 Qa4+ 67.Kb7 Kd6 68.Bd8 Kd7 69.Bc7 Qe4+ 70.Kb8 Kc6 71.g5 Qa4 72.Kc8 Qa8+ 73.Bb8 Qb7+ 0-1 (73) Silence404 (2901)-Drstrange8 (2693) Blitz 2024;

A2a23) 16.h4

A2a231) 16...Rad8 17.Bb3 *(17.Qf2 Nf4 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.h5 Rd5 20.c4 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 f5 22.Nc3 Qa5 23.Ba3 e4 24.Qc2 Nd4 25.Qa4 Qxa4 26.Nxa4 e3 27.Re1 Bh6 28.Bb4 a5 29.Bc3 Ne6 30.hxg6 hxg6 31.Rh1 Bg7 32.Bxg7 Kxg7 33.Nc3 Nf4 34.g3 Nh5 35.Rg1 Kf6 36.Ne2 g5 37.Rh1 Kg6 38.Kc2 f4 39.gxf4 Nxf4 40.Nc3 Rd8 41.Ne4 Kf5 42.Rg1 Ne6 43.Rf1 Kf4 44.Nc3 Nd4+ 45.Kd1 Nxf3+ 46.Kc1 g4 47.Ne2+ Kg5 48.a3 Rd2 49.Nc3 Rf2 50.Rd1 Kf4 51.Rd7 e2 52.Rf7+ Kg3 53.Ne4+ Kg2 54.Nxf2 Kxf2 55.Re7 e1Q+ 56.Rxe1 Kxe1 57.b4 g3 58.b5 g2 59.bxc6 g1Q 60.c7 Qe3+ 61.Kb2 Qc5 62.c8Q Qxc8 63.Kc3 Qb8 64.Kd3 Qe5 65.c5 Qd4+ 66.Kc2 Qxc5+ 67.Kb3 a4+ 68.Kxa4 Qc4+ 69.Ka5 Nd4 70.Kb6 Qb3+ 71.Kc7 Qxa3 72.Kd8 Qc3 73.Ke7 Nb3 74.Ke6 Kd2 75.Kf7 Kd3 76.Ke8 Qd4 77.Kf8 Qe4 78.Kg8 Kd4 79.Kh8 Ke3 80.Kg8 Qf4 81.Kh8 Ke4 82.Kg8 Ke5 83.Kh8 Qf5 84.Kg8 Ke6 85.Kh8 Qg4 86.Kh7 Kf6 87.Kh6 Qh4#* 0-1 (87) Elektromagnit (2864)-Chessiando (2827) Blitz 2022) 17...Nf4 18.Qf2 Bxb3 19.axb3 Rd5 20.Nc3 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 Ne6 22.Kb1 f5 23.Be3 a5 24.g4 Nd4 25.gxf5 gxf5 26.f4 Ne6 27.Bb6 Qb8 28.fxe5 Qxe5 29.Re1 Qf6 30.Bxa5 f4 31.Qf3 Rc8 32.Bb6 Nd4 33.Qe4 Nb5 34.Na4 Kh8 35.Bf2 h6 36.Qe6 Rd8 37.c4 Nd4 38.Qxf6 Bxf6 39.Nc5 Kh7 40.Ne4

Bg7 41.Rd1 Ne6 42.Rxd8 Nxd8 43.b4 Kg6 44.Kc2 Kf5 45.Kd3 Bxb2 46.b5 cxb5 47.cxb5 Be5 48.b6 Nb7 49.Bd4 Bxd4 50.Kxd4 f3 51.Ke3 Kg4 52.h5 Kxh5 53.Kxf3 Kg6 54.Kf4 Kf7 55.Ke5 Ke7 56.Kd5 Kd7 57.Nf6+ Ke7 58.Kc6 Nd8+ 59.Kc7 Ne6+ 60.Kc8 Nc5 61.Ne4 Nxe4 62.Kc7 Nd6 63.Kc6 h5 64.Kd5 h4 65.b7 Nxb7 66.Ke4 Nd6+ 67.Kf3 Nf5 68.Kg4 Kf6 69.Kh3 Kg6 70.Kh2 Kg5 71.Kh3 Kh5 72.Kg2 Kg4 73.Kh2 Nh6 74.Kg2 Nf7 75.Kg1 Ng5 76.Kh2 Nf3+ 77.Kg2 Kf4 78.Kh1 Kg5 79.Kg2 Kg4 0 - 1 (7 9) Banknotehouse (2877)-Yearofwhiterabbit (2668) Blitz 2023;

A2a232) 16...Rab8 17.h5 f5 18.Ng5 e4 19.Bb3 a5 20.hxg6 a4 21.Rxh7 axb3 22.cxb3 Qf4 23.Qxf4 Nxf4 24.Bd6 Ne2+ 25.Kd2 exf3 26.Nxe6 Rxe6 27.Bxb8 fxg2 28.Bh2 Nd4 29.Rh3 Re2+ 30.Kd3 Rxb2 31.Re1 Bf6 32.Rh7 1-0 (32) Neverstop93 (2819)-Loin Sn (2756) Blitz 2022;

A2a233) 16...Nf4 17.Bxe6 Nxe6 18.Bd6 *(18.Be3 Red8 19.Qe2 h5 20.g4 Nf4 21.Bxf4 exf4 22.gxh5 Qe5 23.c3 Qxh5 24.Rd3 Qe5 25.Qd2 Rxd3 26.Qxd3 Re8 27.Qd7 Qe6 28.Rd1 f5 29.Qxe6+ Rxe6 30.Rd8+ Bf8 31.Ng5 Re1+ 32.Kd2 Re3 33.Rc8 Kg7 34.Rxc6 Be7 35.Rc7 Kg8 36.Rxa7 Bxg5 37.hxg5 Rxf3 38.b4 Rf2+ 39.Ke1 Rb2 40.a4 f3 41.b5 Rc2 42.b6 Rxc3 43.b7 Rb3 44.Ra8+ Kf7 45.b8Q f2+ 46.Kxf2* 1-0 (46) Warriortiger (2852)-Mischuk,D (2734) Blitz 2023*)* 18...Qb6 19.h5 f5 20.Nc3 Rad8 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Qe1 c5 23.Bxe5 Rxd1+ 24.Nxd1 Nf4 25.Bxf4 Rxe1 26.Rxe1 Qa5 27.Re8+ Kf7 28.Rc8 Qxa2 29.Rc7+ Kg8 30.Rc8+ Kh7 31.Rxc5 Qa1+ 32.Kd2 Bxb2 33.Rc7+ Kg8 34.Nxb2 Qxb2 35.Be3 a5 36.Kd3 a4 37.Bd4 Qb5+ 38.c4 Qb3+ 39.Bc3 a3 40.Ra7 a2 41.Kd4 Qd1+ 42.Kc5 Qc2 43.Bd4 Qxg2 44.f4 Kf8 45.Be5

Qf2+ 46.Bd4 Qxf4 47.Rxa2 g5 48.Ra7 g4 49.Bg7+ Ke8 50.Bd4 g3 51.Rg7 g2 52.Rg8+ Kf7 53.Rg7+ Kf8 54.Rg6 Qe4 55.Rf6+ Ke7 56.Rg6 f4 57.Rg7+ Kf8 58.Rg4 Qf5+ 0-1 (58) Lsgeneraal (2883)-Mischuk,D (2754) Blitz 2023;

A2a24) 16.g4 Red8 *(16...Rad8 17.Qf2 Nf4 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.g5 Rd5 20.c4 Rdd8 21.h4 Nd4 22.Kb1 a5 23.h5 Ne6 24.Bd6 Qb7 25.c5 a4 26.hxg6 fxg6 27.Qh2 Bh8 28.a3 Rd7 29.Rd2 Red8 30.Nf6+ Bxf6 31.gxf6 Nd4 32.Bxe5 Nxf3 33.Qxh7+ Rxh7 34.Rxd8+* 1-0 (34) Bluegreensun (2881)-Ha0Asakura (2763) Blitz 2023 *)* 17.Qf2 Nf4 18.Bxe6 *(18.Bb3 Bd5 19.h4 h5 20.g5 Rd7 21.Rd2 Rad8 22.Rhd1 Bxe4 23.fxe4 Bf8 24.Be3 c5 25.Bc4 Kg7 26.c3 Rxd2 27.Rxd2 Rxd2 28.Qxd2 Qd6 29.Qxd6 Bxd6 30.Bf1 f6 31.gxf6+ Kxf6 32.Kc2 g5 33.hxg5+ Kxg5 34.Kb3 Kg4 35.Kc4 h4 36.Bxc5 Bxc5 37.Kxc5 Kf3 38.Kd6 Kf2 39.Kxe5 Kxf1 40.Kxf4 Kg2 41.e5 h3 42.e6 h2 43.e7 h1Q 44.e8Q Qh4+ 45.Kf5 Qf2+ 46.Kg6 Qc2+ 47.Kf6 Qxb2 48.Qe4+ Kf1 49.Qc4+ Ke1 50.Ke5 Kd1 51.Kd4 Qf2+ 52.Kd5 Qf7+ 53.Kc5 Qc7+ 54.Kb4 a5+ 55.Kb3 Qb6+ 56.Ka3 Kc2 57.Qb3+ Qxb3+ 58.axb3 Kxc3 59.Ka4 Kb2 60.Kxa5 Kxb3* ½-½ (60) Molt7N (2867)-Pierdolic (2709) Blitz 2022*)* 18...Nxe6 19.Bd6 Qb6 20.Qg3 Nd4 21.Rhe1 Rxd6 22.Nxd6 Rb8 23.b3 Qa5 24.Rxd4 exd4 25.Nc4 Qg5+ 26.f4 Qd5 27.f5 Rd8 28.fxg6 hxg6 29.Kb1 d3 30.Qxd3 Qxd3 31.cxd3 Rxd3 32.Kc2 Rc3+ 33.Kd2 Rf3 34.Re2 Bh6+ 35.Kc2 Bf4 36.Na5 c5 37.Nb7 Be3 38.Nd6 Bd4 39.Ne4 Rf4 40.g5 Rf3 41.a4 Kg7 42.a5 f6 43.gxf6+ Bxf6 44.a6 Bd4 45.Rg2 Re3 46.Nd2 Rc3+ 47.Kd1 Kh6 48.Rg3 Rxg3 49.hxg3 Kg5 50.Nf3+ Kf5 51.Nxd4+ cxd4 52.b4 Ke5 53.b5 1-0 (53) Realmadrid2007 (2948)-Makimakini (2515) Rapid 2025;

A2b) 15.Nd6 Rd8 16.Nxc8 Raxc8 17.Bc4 Rb8 18.Rhe1 *(18.Bb3 a5 19.a4 e4 20.fxe4 Nc3 21.Bd6 Rxd6 22.Qxd6 Bh6+* 0-1 (22) Ernst Gruenfeld (2860)-Sina Iran

(2953) Blitz 2022*)* 18...e4 19.Bb3 Nc3 20.Bd6 Rxd6 21.Qxd6 Bh6+ 0-1 (21) Merbijas (2870)-Loin Sn (2751) Blitz 2022;

A2c) 15.Kb1 f5 16.Nd6 Rd8 17.Nxc8 Raxc8 18.Bc4 Kh8 19.Rhe1 e4 20.fxe4 Nc3+ 21.Qxc3 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Bxc3 23.bxc3 h5 24.Rd6 Rb8+ 25.Kc1 Kh7 26.e5 Qe7 27.Be3 Rd8 28.Bf4 g5 29.Rxd8 Qxd8 30.Be3 Qe7 31.e6 Qa3+ 32.Kd2 Qd6+ 33.Ke1 Qe5 34.Kf2 Qxc3 35.e7 Qxc2+ 36.Be2 Qe4 37.Bxg5 Kg6 38.h4 c5 39.Bb5 Qd4+ 40.Kg3 Qe5+ 41.Kh3 Qf6 1-0 (41) Uragan1234 (2818)-Baidetskyi, V (2714) Blitz 2023;

A2d) 15.h4

A2d1) 15...f5 16.Nd6 *(16.Ng5 h6 17.Nh3 Be6 18.Bc4 Rab8 19.Bb3 a5 20.a4 Qf7 21.h5 g5 22.Qxa5 Nf4 23.Bxe6 Nxe6 24.Ba3 Nd4 25.Kb1 Ra8 26.Qc3 Rxa4 27.Rhe1 Rea8 28.Kc1 e4 29.Rxd4 Rxd4 30.Qxc6 Rad8 31.c3 Rd2 32.fxe4 Qb3* 0-1 (32) Elektromagnit (2863)-Chessiando (2826) Blitz 2022*; 16.Bc4 fxe4 17.fxe4 Be6 18.h5 Nf4 19.Bxe6+ Nxe6 20.Bd6 Qb6 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Qc3 Rad8 23.Bxe5 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Bxe5 25.Qxe5 Qe3+ 26.Kb1 Qg5 27.Qc3 Rd8 28.Rh1 Nd4 29.a3 Qxg2 30.Qc4+ Kg7 31.Rf1 Qxe4 32.Qf7+ Kh6 33.Rc1 Ne2 34.Rf1 Rd2 35.Qf8+ Kg5 36.Qf6+ Kh5 37.Qh8+ Kg4 38.Ka1 Qxc2 39.Qf6 Rd1+ 40.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 41.Ka2 Qd5+ 42.Ka1 Qf5 43.Qxc6 Nd4 44.Qg2+ Kh5 45.Qh2+ Kg5 46.Qg1+ Qg4 47.Qe3+ Kf5 48.Qd3+ Qe4 49.Qf1+ Ke5 50.Qg1 Nc2+ 51.Ka2 Nd4 52.Qg5+ Ke6 53.Qd8 Qe5 54.Qg8+ Kf6 55.Qh8+ Kf5 56.Qh3+ Kf4 57.Qh2+ Kf5 58.Qh3+ Kg5 59.Qg2+ Kf6 60.Qf2+ Ke6 61.Qg2 Qd5+ 62.Qxd5+ Kxd5 63.b4 g5 64.b5 g4 65.a4 g3 66.b6 axb6 67.a5 bxa5 68.Ka3 g2 69.Ka4 g1Q 70.Kxa5 Qb1 71.Ka6 Qb5+ 72.Ka7 Nc6+ 73.Ka8 Qb8#* 0-1 (73) Sapphire Phoenix (2810)-Lav Eli Mi Kri1920 (2785) Blitz 2024 *)* 16...Rd8

A2d11) 17.c4 Nf4 *(17...Be6 18.h5 Rxd6 19.Bxd6 Qxd6 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.cxd5 cxd5 22.Kb1 e4 23.Rc1 Rb8 24.Rc2 Qe5 25.fxe4 fxe4 26.a4 d4 27.Bb5 a6 28.Bc4 Bxc4 29.Rxc4 d3 30.Rb4 e3 31.Rxb8+ Qxb8 32.Qc1 e2 33.Qc4+ Kf8 34.Qc5+ Kf7 35.Qd5+ Ke7 36.Qe4+ Qe5 37.Qb7+ Kf6 38.Qc6+ Kg5 39.Qc1+ Qf4 40.Qc5+ Be5 41.Qe7+ Bf6 42.Qc5+ Qf5 43.Qe3+ Qf4 44.Qc5+*

Be5 45.Qe7+ Qf6 46.Qh7 Qf1+ 47.Ka2 Qxh1 48.Qxh1 d2 49.g3 e1Q 50.Qh4+ Kf5 51.g4+ Ke6 52.Qd8 d1Q 53.Qe8+ Kd5 0-1 (53) Exhausted10 (2838)-Yakamuzosan (2689) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Nb5 Rxd2 19.Nxc7 Rxd1+ 20.Kxd1 Rb8 21.Kc2 Rb7 22.Ne8 Ne6 23.Ba3 Nd4+ 24.Kb1 Bf8 25.Bxf8 Kxf8 26.Nd6 Rb8 27.c5 Be6 28.Bd3 Kg7 29.h5 g5 30.h6+ Kf6 31.g4 e4 32.fxe4 f4 33.e5+ Kxe5 34.Bxh7 Bxg4 35.Be4 Be6 36.h7 Rh8 37.Rh5 Kf6 38.Rh6+ Ke5 39.Rh5 Kf6 40.Rh6+ Ke5 41.Rh5 f3 42.Rxg5+ Kf4 43.Rg6 f2 44.Rf6+ Ke3 45.Kc1 Bd5 46.Bg6 Nf3 47.Nf5+ Kf4 48.Nd4+ Kg3 49.Nf5+ Kf4 50.Nd4+ Kg5 51.Rxf3 Bxf3 52.Bd3 Kf4 53.Kd2 Rxh7 54.Bxh7 f1Q 55.Ne6+ Ke5 56.Ng5 Qf2+ 57.Kc3 Qe3+ 58.Kb4 Qd4+ 59.Ka5 Qxc5+ 60.Ka4 Bd1+ 61.b3 Qb5+ 62.Ka3 Qa5+ 63.Kb2 Qd2+ 64.Ka3 Kd6 65.Ne4+ Kc7 66.Nxd2 Be2 67.Nc4 Bxc4 68.bxc4 c5 69.Ka4 Kb6 70.Be4 Ka6 71.Bd5 Kb6 72.a3 Ka6 73.Ba8 Kb6 74.Bb7 Kxb7 0-1 (74)

Chesstoday (2892)-Chessiando (2841) Blitz 2022;

A2d12) 17.Bc4 Rxd6 *(17...Be6 18.Kb1 Rxd6 19.Bxd6 Qxd6 20.Bb3 Qe7 21.h5 a5 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Ba4 Qb7 24.c3 e4 25.Ka1 Rb8 26.fxe4 fxe4 27.Rhe1 e3 28.Qc1 Nxc3 29.bxc3 Qb1+ 30.Qxb1 Bxc3+ 31.Qb2 Bxb2+ 32.Kb1 Bf5+ 33.Bc2 Ba3+ 34.Ka1 Bxc2* 0-1 (34) Jurgensanchez97 (2817)-Teddybear2005 (2696) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Bxd6 Qxd6 19.Qxd5+ cxd5 20.Rxd5 Qf8 21.Rd8+ Kh8 22.Rxf8+ Bxf8 23.Rd1 Be7 24.Rd5 Bf6 25.Rd6 Kg7 26.Rc6 Bxh4 27.Rc7+ Kh6 28.c3 Bg3 29.Bd5 Rb8 30.Rxa7 Kg5 31.Rxh7 Kf4 32.a4 e4 33.fxe4 fxe4 34.Rf7+ Bf5 35.a5 Rb5 36.Bxe4 Kxe4 37.a6 Ra5 38.a7 Bf2 39.g4 Be3+ 40.Kc2 Bxg4 41.Re7+ Kf3 42.Rf7+ Bf5+ 43.Kb3 Rxa7 44.Rf8 Rb7+ 45.Ka3 Bc1 0-1 (45) Kelevra317 (2865)-Gryzlo (2743) Blitz 2021;

A2d13) 17.Nxc8 Raxc8

A2d131) 18.h5

A2d1311) 18...Nb6

A2d13111) 19.Qe1 Rxd1+ 20.Qxd1 Qf7 *(20...Rd8*

21.Qe1 Qf7 22.b3 Nd5 23.hxg6 hxg6 24.Qh4 Bf6 25.Qh6 Rd7 26.Bc4 Qg7 27.Qh3 e4 28.fxe4 fxe4 29.Qe6+ Qf7 30.Qxc6 Kg7 31.Bxd5 Qxd5 32.Qxd5 Rxd5 33.Bxa7 Bg5+ 34.Kb1 Bf6 35.Be3 Kf7 36.a4 Bc3 37.Kc1 Ke6 38.Rh4 Re5 39.Rg4 Kd5 40.Rg5 Rxg5 41.Bxg5 Kd4 42.Kd1 Ba5 43.Ke2 Bc7 44.Bf6+ Kd5 45.c4+ Kc5 46.Bc3 Bf4 47.Bd2 Bg3 48.a5 Be5 49.Be3+ Kb4 50.a6 Bb8 51.a7 Bxa7 52.Bxa7 Kxb3 53.c5 Kc4 54.c6 Kd5 55.c7 Kc6 56.c8Q+ Kd5 57.Qg8+ Ke5 58.Qxg6 Kf4 59.Bb8#

1-0 (59) Liczner (2819)-Pierdolic (2712) Blitz 2021*)*

21.Kb1 Nd5 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Qe1 Bf6 24.Bc4 Kg7 25.Qd2 Rh8 26.Rxh8 Kxh8 27.Qh6+ Kg8 28.g4 Bg7 29.Qh4 Nc3+ 30.bxc3 Qxc4 31.Qd8+ Kh7 32.Qh4+ Kg8 33.Qd8+ Kh7 34.Qh4+ Kg8

½-½ (34) Liczner (2821)-Pierdolic (2710) Blitz 2021;

A2d13112)

19.Bxb6

A2d131121)

19...Qxb6 20.Bc4+ Kf8 21.Qc3 *(21.Qg5 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 e4 23.Bb3 Qc7 24.hxg6*

1 - 0 (2 4) Savakrasavavictory (2 8 7 0) - Y a k a m u z o s a n (2710) Blitz 2023*)*

21...Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Rd8 23.Qa3+ Ke8 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Qe3 Qh4 26.f4 Qh1+ 27.Kd2 Qxg2+ 28.Be2 Qd5+ 29.Ke1 Qd4 30.Qxd4 exd4 31.hxg6 hxg6 32.Kf2 Ke7 33.b3 Kf6 34.Bf3 c5 35.Bd5 Bf8 36.Kf3 Bd6 37.a4 a5 38.Bc4 Kg7 39.Bd5 Kh6 40.Bf7 Kg7 41.Be8 Kf6 42.Bb5 g5 43.fxg5+ Kxg5 44.Bd3 f4 45.Be4

Kh4 46.Bf5 Bc7 47.Be6 Kg5 48.Bh3 Kf6 49.Bf1 Ke5 50.Bd3 Bd6 51.Bc4 d3 52.Bxd3 Kd4 53.Bc4 Kc3 54.Bd5 Kxc2 55.Bc4 Kc3 56.Bd5 Kd4 57.Bc4 Be5 58.Bg8 Bc7 59.Bc4 Bd8 60.Bb5 Bc7 61.Ba6 Kc3 62.Bc4 Kb4 63.Ke4 Kc3 64.Bd5 Kd2 65.Bc4 Kc3 66.Be6 Kb4 67.Kf3 Bb8 68.Kf2 Bc7 69.Ke2 Kc3 70.Kf3 Kd4 71.Bg8 Ke5 72.Bc4 Bd6 73.Bf1 Kd4 74.Be2 Kc3 75.Bc4 Kb4 76.Bd5 c4 77.Bxc4 Kc5 78.Ke4 Kb4 79.Bd5 Bb8 80.Bc4 Kc5 81.Kf3 Kb4 82.Kg4 Bc7 83.Kh3 Bb8 84.Kg4 Bc7 85.Kf3 Kc3 86.Ke4 Kd2 87.Kf3 Kc3 88.Bd5 Kd4 89.Bc4 Ke5 90.Bb5 Kd4 91.Bc4 Kc5 92.Be6 Kb4 93.Bc4 Bb8 94.Ke4 Bc7 95.Kf3 ½ - ½ (9 5)

Vistagausta (2891)-Teddybear2005 (2732) Blitz 2022; **A2d131122)**

19...axb6 20.Bc4+ Kf8 21.Qb4+ c5 22.Qb3 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Rd8 24.Re1 Qd6 25.Bd3 b5 26.Qxb5 e4 27.fxe4 Rb8 28.e5 Bxe5 29.Qa6 Bxb2+ 30.Kd1 Qf4 31.Qe6 Qg4+ 32.Re2 Qg5 33.Qd6+ Kg7 34.Re7+ Kh6 35.Qxb8 Qxe7 36.Qxb2 Kxh5 37.Qc1 Qh4 38.Be2+ 1 - 0 (3 8)

Vistagausta (2843)-Teddybear2005 (2676) Blitz 2023; **A2d131123)**

19...Rxd2 20.Bc4+ Kf8 21.Bxc7 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Rxc7 23.hxg6 Bh6+ *(23...hxg6 24.Rd6 Bh6+ 25.Kd1 Kg7 26.Ke2 Bf4 27.Re6 Rb7 28.b3 Rd7 29.Bd3 Rc7 30.Kf2 a5 31.g3 Bd2 32.Rxe5 Kf6 33.f4 Bc3 34.Re8 Re7 35.Rc8 Bd4+ 36.Kg2 Re6 37.Bc4 Rd6 38.Rf8+ Kg7*

39.Rf7+ Kh6 40.Kf3 Bf6 41.a4 g5 42.fxg5+ Kxg5 43.b4 axb4 44.a5 Rd4 45.Bb3 Rd1 46.a6 Ra1 47.Bc4 Ra3+ 48.Ke2 Bd4 49.Bd3 Bf6 50.Rc7 Ra2 51.Kf3 b3 52.cxb3 Bd4 53.Be2 Ra3 54.Rxc6 Rxb3+ 55.Kg2 Rb2 56.Re6 Ra2 57.Re8 Ra3 58.Bb5 Kf6 59.Bc4 Be5 60.Re6+ Kg5 61.Rxe5 Kg4 62.Be2+ Kg5 63.g4 1-0 (63) Vistagausta (2858)-Baidetskyi,V (2732) Blitz 2023*)* 24.Kb1 hxg6 25.Rd6 Kg7 26.Re6 Bf4 27.b4 **A2d1311231)** 27...Bd2 28.a3 Bf4 29.Kb2 Kh6 30.Kb3 Kg5 31.a4 Bg3 32.a5 e4 33.fxe4 f4 34.Bd3 Kh5 35.e5 g5 36.Bg6+ Kh4 37.Be4 g4 38.Rxc6 Re7 39.e6 Bf2 40.b5 Kg3 41.b6 axb6 42.axb6 f3 43.gxf3 Kf4 44.Rc4 gxf3 45.b7 Ba7 46.Bd5+ Kg3 47.Rc3 1-0 (47) Vistagausta (2862)-Yakamuzosan (2718) Blitz 2023; **A2d1311232)** 27...Rb7 28.c3 *(28.a3 a5 29.Rxc6 axb4 30.a4 Be3 31.a5 Kh6 32.a6 Rd7 33.Bd3 Kg5 34.Ka2 Re7 35.Rc4 Bd2 36.Kb3 e4 37.fxe4 f4 38.e5 Be3 39.Rc6 Rxe5 40.Rxg6+ Kh5 41.Kxb4 Re8 42.Rg7 Rb8+ 43.Rb7 Ra8 44.Kb5 Kh4 45.Be4 Rc8 46.a7 Rc5+ 47.Ka6 Rc3 48.Rh7+ Kg3 49.a8Q Ra3+ 50.Kb5* 1-0 (50) Vistagausta (2839)-Mischuk,D (2700) Blitz 2024*)* 28...a5 29.a3 axb4 30.cxb4 Rc7 31.Kc2 Kh6 32.a4 Kg5 33.a5 Rb7 34.Rxc6 Rxb4 35.a6 Be3 36.Bf7 Bd4 37.g3 Rb6 38.Rxb6 Bxb6 39.Kd3 Kf6 40.Be8 g5 41.Kc4 e4 42.fxe4 f4 43.gxf4 gxf4 44.Bh5 Ke5 45.Bf3 Ba7 46.Kb5 Kd4 47.Kc6 Ke3 48.e5 Kxf3 49.e6 Kg2 50.e7 f3

51.e8Q f2
1 - 0 (5 1) Vistagausta (2841)-Latingirl (2666) Blitz 2023;
A2d1311233)
27...c5 28.b5 Kh6 29.a4 Kg5 30.a5 Bd2 31.b6 axb6 32.axb6 Rd7 33.Bb5 Rb7 34.Ba6 Rb8 35.b7 Bc3 36.Rc6 e4 37.fxe4 Bd4 38.exf5 gxf5 39.Rc8 Be5 40.Rxc5 Kf4 41.Ka2 Rg8 42.Rc4+ Ke3 43.Rc8 Rxg2 44.Bd3 f4 45.Re8
1 - 0 (4 5) Vistagausta (2834)-Pierdolic (2762) Blitz 2022;
A2d1311234)
27...Kh6 28.Kb2 Kg5 29.Kb3 Bg3 30.a4 Be1 31.c3 Bg3 32.a5 Bf4 33.a6 Bg3 34.Kc2 Bf4 35.Bd3 Kh5 36.c4 Kg5 37.c5 Bg3 38.Be2 Be1 39.Kb3 Rd7 40.Rxc6 Rd4 41.Bc4 e4 42.fxe4 fxe4 43.Re6 Kf5 44.Re7 Bh4 45.Rxa7 e3 46.Rf7+ Bf6 47.a7 Rxc4 48.Kxc4 e2 49.a8Q e1Q 50.Qf3+
1 - 0 (5 0) Vistagausta (2897)-Chess Lover2020 (2820) Blitz 2022;
A2d1312) 18...Nf4 19.Bc4+ Nd5 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.g4 Qf7 22.Qh2 Qf6 23.gxf5 Qxf5 24.Bxa7 Qf4+ 25.Qxf4 exf4 26.Bb6 Rd7 27.a4 Bf6 28.Rd3 Kf8 29.Bxd5 cxd5 30.Rhd1 Bd8 31.Bf2 Bf6 32.Rxd5 Rdc7 33.R1d2 Rc4 34.a5 Ra4 35.Kb1 Kf7 36.c3 Bxc3 37.Rc2 Rb4 38.Be1 Rxb2+ 39.Rxb2 Bxe1 40.a6 Ke6 41.Rd4 Kf6 42.a7 Ra8 43.Rd7 Ke6 44.Rb8 Kxd7 45.Rxa8 Bf2 46.Rg8 Bxa7 47.Rg7+ Kc6 48.Rxa7 Kb5 49.Kc2 Kb4 50.Kd3 Kb3 51.Ra5 Kb2 52.Rg5 Ka1 53.Kc2 Ka2 54.Ra5#
1-0 (54) Olympuscz (2 8 7 5) - Stockfish161Pro (3035) Blitz 2025;
A2d1313) 18...e4 19.Bc4 *(19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Bc4 Qe5 21.c3 Re8 22.fxe4 Qxe4 23.Bb3 Rcd8*

24.Bxa7 Qg4 25.Rde1 Rxe1+ 26.Qxe1 Kf7 27.Rh7 Qf4+ 28.Be3 Qe4 29.Bd2 Re8 30.Qxe4 Rxe4 31.Bh6 Rh4 32.Rxg7+ Kf6 33.Bxd5 cxd5 34.Rh7 Ke6 35.Rh8 Rh1+ 36.Kc2 Rh2 37.a4 Rxg2+ 38.Kb3 g5 39.a5 Kd6 40.a6 Kc6 41.a7 Rxb2+ 42.Kxb2 1-0 (42) Vistagausta (2840)-Chessiando (2701) Blitz 2022*)* 19...Rb8 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Qxd4 Qg7 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.fxe4 fxe4 24.Rhe1 Re8 25.Bxd5+ cxd5 26.Qxd5+ Qf7 27.Rxe4 Rxe4 28.Qxe4 Re8 29.Qd5 Re2 30.Qd8+ Re8 31.Qg5 Re2 32.b3 Kg7 33.Rd2 1-0 (33) Mrbochwalt (2913)-Durarbayli (2831) Rapid 2021;

A2d132) 18.Bc4 h5 19.g4 *(19.Kb1 Kh7 20.Bb3 e4 21.fxe4 fxe4 22.Qe2 Nf6 23.Bd4 Rxd4 24.Rxd4 Qe5 25.c3 c5 26.Rdd1 a5 27.Qc4 Ng4 28.Rhe1 e3 29.Bc2 Rf8 30.Rd5 Qg3 31.Rxh5+ Bh6 32.Rd1 Nf6 33.Rxc5 Qxg2 34.h5 e2 35.Re1 Qf2 36.Rc7+ Kh8 37.Qxe2 Qf4 38.Rc6 Nxh5 39.Rxg6 Ng3 40.Qe6 Bg7 41.a4 Nf5 42.Rh1+ Nh6 43.Rhxh6+* 1-0 (43) Exhausted10 (2850)-Teddybear2005 (2678) Blitz 2022*)* 19...Kh7

A2d1321) 20.Qg2 Qa5 *(20...Nf4 21.Qh2 e4 22.gxf5 Qe5 23.fxg6+ Kh8 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Ba3 e3 26.Kb1 e2 27.Bxe2 Nxe2 28.Qxe5 Bxe5 29.Re1 Nf4 30.Be7 Rd7 31.Bg5 Nxg6 32.c3 Kg8 33.Kc2 Kf7 34.b4 Bf6 35.f4 Rd5 36.a4 Bxg5 37.fxg5 Nxh4 38.Rh1 Ng2 39.Rxh5 Rd6 40.Rh7+ Kg6 41.Rxa7 Kxg5 42.Rg7+ Rg6 43.Rxg6+ Kxg6 44.a5 Nf4 45.a6 Nd5 46.a7 Nb6 47.Kd3 Kf6 48.Kd4 Ke6 49.Kc5* 1-0 (49) Vistagausta (2865)-Chessiando (2781) Blitz 2022*)* 21.gxh5 Qxc5 22.Qxg6+ Kh8

23.Rhg1 Rd7 24.Qxf5 Qxc4 25.Qxd7 Bh6+ 26.Rg5 Rf8 27.Qd6 Qf4+ 28.Kb1 Bxg5 29.hxg5 Qf5 30.Re1 Re8 31.g6 Qxh5 32.Qxc6 Rd8 33.Qe6 Qxf3 34.g7+ Kh7 35.Rg1 Nc3+ 36.bxc3 Rd1+ 37.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 38.Kb2 Kxg7 39.Qxe5+ Kg6 40.Qa5 Qd6 41.Qb4 Qf6 42.Qb3 Qf5 43.Qc4 Qf6 0-1 (43) Zkid (2908)-Raptor,F (2711) Blitz 2024;

A2d1322) 20.Qf2 e4 21.gxf5 Qf4+ 22.Kb1 gxf5 23.fxe4 Qxf2 24.Bxf2 fxe4 25.Rhe1 e3 26.Bd3+ Kh6 27.Rxe3 Nxe3 28.Bxe3# 1-0 (28) Zkid (2903)-Mischuk,D (2727) Blitz 2024;

A2d1323) 20.Kb1 Nb6 21.Qe2 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 hxg4 23.fxg4 e4 24.gxf5 gxf5 25.Qh5+ 1-0 (25) Rfwkkk (2834)-Gryzlo (2719) Blitz 2021;

A2d1324) 20.Qe1 hxg4 21.h5 g5 22.fxg4 e4 23.gxf5 Rb8 24.Bb3 e3 25.c4 Bf6 26.Ba3 Re8 27.cxd5 e2 28.Rd2 cxd5+ 29.Kb1 Qe5 30.Ka1 d4 31.Bc2 d3 32.Bxd3 Qa5 33.Bd6 Rxb2 34.Rxb2 Qd5 35.Bb4 Qxd3 36.Qd2 Qe4 37.Re1 Rd8 38.Bd6 Qxf5 39.a4 Bxb2+ 40.Kxb2 Qf6+ 41.Kb1 Rxd6 42.Qc2+ Kh6 43.Rxe2 Rb6+ 44.Ka2 Qc6 45.Ka3 Qxc2 46.Rxc2 Kxh5 47.a5 Rf6 48.Rh2+ Kg6 49.Rg2 Rf4 50.Rg1 g4 51.Kb3 Kg5 52.Ka3 Rf6 53.Kb4 Kh4 54.Rh1+ Kg3 55.Ka3 a6 56.Rc1 Kh2 57.Rc2+ Kh3 58.Rc8 g3 59.Rh8+ Kg4 60.Rb8 g2 61.Rg8+ Kf3 62.Kb4 Rf4+ 63.Ka3 Rg4 64.Rf8+ Kg3 65.Kb2 g1Q 66.Rb8 Qd4+ 67.Kc2 Kh4 68.Rh8+ Qxh8 69.Kd2 Qd4+ 70.Kc2 Rg2+ 71.Kb3 Rb2+ 72.Ka3 Qb4# 0-1 (74) Imnotsohuman (2958)-Madmadchess

(3000) Blitz 2025;

A2d2) 15...Rd8 16.h5

A2d21) 16...f5 17.hxg6 fxe4 *(17...hxg6 18.Bc4 Rb8 19.Qg5 fxe4 20.fxe4 Qf7 21.Qxd8+* 1-0 (21) Kivurawnuru (2839)-Yakamuzosan (2697) Blitz 2023*)* 18.gxh7+ Kh8 19.fxe4 Bg4 20.exd5 Rxd5 21.Qxd5 cxd5 0-1 (21) Brittabagels (2859)-Chess Lover2020 (2801) Blitz 2022;

A2d22) 16...Nf4 17.Qxd8+ 1-0 (17) Vistagausta (2839)-Benditoporlatormenta (2641) Blitz 2025;

A2d23) 16...Bf5 17.hxg6 Bxg6 18.Bc4 Nb6 19.Qe2 Nxc4 20.Qxc4 Rd5 21.Nc3 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Rd8 23.Be3 Rxd1+ 24.Nxd1 h5 25.Qc5 e4 26.f4 a6 27.Nf2 Qd7 28.c3 Bf6 29.Qa7 Qxa7 30.Bxa7 Bh4 31.Be3 Bf5 32.Kd2 Kf8 33.b4 Ke8 34.a4 Kd7 35.c4 Bf6 36.b5 cxb5 37.cxb5 axb5 38.axb5 Kd6 39.Nd1 h4 40.Nc3 h3 41.gxh3 Bxh3 42.Nxe4+ Ke6 43.b6 Bd8 44.b7 Bc7 45.Ng5+ Kd5 46.Nxh3 Kc6 47.Ng5 f5 48.Ne6 Bxf4 49.Bxf4 Kxb7 50.Nd4 Kb6 51.Nxf5 Kc5 52.Ne3 Kd4 53.Bc7 Ke4 54.Ba5 Kd4 55.Bc3+ Ke4 56.Ke2 Kf4 57.Kd3 Kf3 58.Bd4 Kf4 59.Bc3 Kg5 60.Be5 Kg6 61.Ke4 Kf7 62.Kf5 Ke8 63.Nc4 Kd8 64.Ke4 Kc8 65.Kd5 Kb7 66.Nd6+ Ka6 67.Bd4 Ka5 68.Bc5 Ka6 69.Kc6 Ka5 70.Ne4 Ka4 71.Nd2 Ka5 72.Nb3+ Ka6 73.Nd4 Ka5 74.Nb5 Ka4 75.Nd4 Ka5 76.Kd5 Ka4 77.Kc4 Ka5 78.Bb4+ Ka6 79.Nb3 Kb7 80.Nc5+ Ka8 81.Ba5 Kb8 82.Kb5 Ka8 83.Bb6 Kb8 84.Kc6 Ka8 85.Nd7 ½-½ (85) Warriortiger (2911)-Yakamuzosan (2769) Blitz 2023;

A2d3) 15...h5 16.g4 *(16.Bc4 Rd8 17.Qg5 Kh7 18.Kb1 Bf5 19.g4 hxg4 20.h5 Bxe4 21.hxg6+ Kg8 22.fxe4 f6 23.Qxg4* 1-0 (23) Exhausted10 (2835)-Yakamuzosan (2693) Blitz 2022*)* 16...Nf4 17.Bc4 hxg4 18.Ng5 Be6 19.Nxe6 Nxe6 20.Bd6 Qb6 21.h5 e4 22.c3 gxf3 23.hxg6 e3 24.Qh2 1-0 (24) Lintchevski,D (2960)-El Primo279 (2441) Blitz 2024;

B) 13...Rb8

B1) 14.Bc4 e4 15.fxe4 *(15.Nxd5 Bxb2+ 16.Kb1 Bc3+ 17.Bb3 Bxd2 18.Ne7+ Kg7 19.Nxc6 Qc7 20.Bxf8+ Kxf8 21.Nxb8 e3* 0-1 (21) Slimfritz (2831)-Vistagausta (2951) Blitz 2022 *)* 15...Nxc3 16.Qxd8 Ne2+

17.Bxe2 Bxb2+ 18.Kb1 Bf6+ 19.Qb6 Rxb6+ 20.Bxb6 axb6 21.Rd6 Be6 22.Rxc6 Ra8 *(22...Bd4 23.Bc4 Bxc4 24.Rxc4 Bc5 25.Rd1 f5 26.a4 fxe4 27.Rxe4 Rf2 28.Rd7 Rxg2 29.Re8+ Bf8 30.Rdd8 Rf2 31.c4 Kg7 32.Rxf8* 1-0 (32) Vistagausta (2921)-Dontblinktwice (2654) Blitz 2022 *)* 23.Bc4 Bxc4 24.Rxc4 b5 25.Rb4 1-0 (25) Vistagausta (2928)-Dontblinktwice (2647) Blitz 2022;

B2) 14.Ne4 f5 15.Bc4 fxe4 16.fxe4 Rf4 17.Qe2 Bg4 18.exd5 Bxe2 19.dxc6+ Bxc4 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 0-1 (20) Vistagausta (2942)-Dontblinktwice (2633) Blitz 2022;

C) 13...Be6 Chris Ward: 'was for ages the main line that was simply contested all the time until the text and was for ages the main line that was simply contested all the time until the text and'

C1) 14.h4 h6 *(14...Nxc3 15.Qxc3 Qc7 16.h5 Rfd8 17.Rxd8+ Rxd8 18.h6 Bh8 19.Be2 e4 20.Qe3 Qe5 21.c3 Bxa2 22.Bd4 Rxd4 23.Qxd4 Qg5+ 24.Qd2 e3 25.Qd7 Qc5 26.Rd1 Bf6 27.Rd6 Be6 28.Qe8#* 1-0 (28) Iron Man1703 (2860)-Yakamuzosan (2731) Blitz 2025*)* 15.Bc4 *(15.g4 Qc7 16.Ne4 Rfd8 17.Qf2 a5 18.Bc4 Rab8 19.h5 g5 20.Rd2 Qb7 21.Ba3 Bf8 22.Nc5 Qb6 23.Rhd1 Nc3 24.Rxd8 Rxd8 25.Rxd8 Qxd8 26.Bd3 Nxa2+ 27.Kb1 Qb8 28.Qd2 Qb6 29.Nxe6 Bxa3 30.c3 Qb3 31.Qc2 Nxc3+ 32.Qxc3 Qxc3 33.bxc3 fxe6 34.Ka2 Bc1 35.Kb3 c5 36.Ka4 Bd2 37.Kxa5 Bxc3+ 38.Kb5 Bd4 39.Bc4 Kf7 40.Kc6 Kf6 41.Bd3 Be3 42.Be4 Bd4 43.Kb5 Be3 44.Kc4 Bd4 45.Bd3 Bg1 46.Be4 Bd4 47.Bd3 Ke7 48.Be4 Kd6 49.Bd3 Ke7 50.Be4 Kd6 51.Bg6 Ke7 52.Be4 ½-½* (52) Charmgame (2836)-Lu,S (2940) Blitz 2022*)* 15...Re8 16.Ne4 f5 17.Nd6 Re7 18.h5 Rd7 19.hxg6 Rxd6 20.Rxh6 Nf4 21.Bxe6+ Nxe6 22.Bxd6 e4 23.fxe4 fxe4 24.Rh7 Qf6 25.Rxg7+ Kxg7 26.Qe3 Qg5 27.Qxg5 Nxg5 28.Bf4 Ne6 29.Be3 Kxg6 30.Rd6 Kf6 31.Rxc6 a5 32.Rc4 Ke5 33.Ra4 Nf4 34.g3 Ne2+ 35.Kd2 Nxg3 36.Bb6 Kf4 37.Bc7+ Kf3 38.Ra3+ 1-0 (38) Cakeinspace (2891)-Nozdrachev,V (2829) Blitz 2021;

C2) 14.Bc4

C2a) 14...Re8

C2a1) 15.Nxd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Qc7 17.Bxe6 *(17.Bxa8 Qxc5 18.Be4 Bxa2 19.b4 Qc7 20.Kb2 Be6 21.Qd6 Qc4 22.Ra1 Bf8* 0-1 (22) Ls Kokomo (2838)-Yakamuzosan (2756) Blitz 2022*)* 17...Qxc5 18.Bb3 a5 19.Qd5 *(19.a4 Rab8 20.Qd5 Qe3+ 21.Kb1 Re7 22.Qxa5 e4 23.Rd8+ Rxd8 24.Qxd8+ Bf8 25.fxe4 Qxe4 26.Qd5 Qf4 27.a5 h5 28.a6 Bg7 29.Qd8+ Bf8 30.g3 Qf6*

31.Qd3 Bg7 32.c3 Kh7 33.Rf1 Qe5 34.Rxf7 Qe1+ 35.Ka2 Re5 36.Qd8 Re2 37.Rb7 Rxb2+ 38.Kxb2 Qxc3+ 39.Ka3 Qc5+ 40.Ka4 Kh6 41.Qd2+ Kh7 42.Rxg7+ Kxg7 43.Qb4 Qc6+ 44.Qb5 Qc1 45.Ka5 Qe1+ 46.Kb6 Qe3+ 47.Qc5 Qxb3+ 48.Kc7 Qa4 49.a7 Kh6 50.Qe3+ g5 51.Qe6+ Kg7 52.Qb6 h4 53.Qb7 Qa5+ 54.Kb8+ Kg6 55.a8Q Qf5 56.Qc8 Qe5+ 57.Qc7 Qb5+ 58.Qab7 Qe8+ 59.Qcc8 Qe5+ 60.Qcc7 Qe8+ 61.Qbc8 Qb5+ 0-1 (61) Slimfritz (2838)-Yakamuzosan (2763) Blitz 2022 *)* 19...Qxd5 20.Rxd5 a4 21.Bc4 a3 22.Rd7 Rf8 23.bxa3 Rxa3 24.Rhd1 h5 25.Rxf7 Rxf7 26.Rd7 Rc3 27.Bxf7+ Kf8 28.Bxg6 1-0 (28) Tinkleking (2849)-Maguspowwow (2612) Blitz 2021;

C2a2) 15.Ne4 h6 16.Bb3 *(16.g4 Qc7 17.Bb3 Red8 18.Qf2 Nf4 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.h4 Rd5 21.c4 Rdd8 22.h5 g5 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Rd1 Nd4 25.Rd3 a5 26.Ng3 a4 27.Bxd4 exd4 28.Nf5 c5 29.Qe2 Bf8 30.Qe4 Qd7 31.Ra3 Re8 32.Qd5 Re1+ 33.Kc2 Qe8 34.Rd3 Qe2+ 35.Rd2 Qf1 36.b3 a3 37.b4 Rb1 38.bxc5 Rb2#* 0-1 (38) Elektromagnit (2825)-L04d1ng (2808) Blitz 2021*)* 16...a5 17.a4 Qc7 18.g4 Red8 19.Qf2 Rab8 20.h4 f5 21.gxf5 gxf5 22.Ng3 Kh7 23.Nh5 Bh8 24.Rhg1 Qf7 25.Ng3 Nf4 26.Bxe6 Qxe6 27.Ba3 Qa2 28.Qa7+ Bg7 29.Rd6 Rxd6 30.Bxd6 Qxb2+ 31.Kd2 Rb7 32.Qe3 Rd7 33.Nxf5 Rxd6+ 34.Nxd6 Qb4+ 35.Kc1 Qxd6 36.Rd1 Nd5 37.c4 Nxe3 38.Rxd6 Nxc4 39.Rxc6 Ne3 40.Rc5 Nf5 41.h5 Nd4 42.Kd1 Nxf3 43.Rxa5 e4 44.Ke2 Nd4+ 45.Ke3 Nc6 46.Ra6 Ne5 47.Kxe4 Kg8 48.Ra7 1-0 (48) Elektromagnit (2857)-Smurf42 (2720) Blitz 2021;

C2b) 14...Qh4 15.Bxd5

C2b1) 15...cxd5 16.Nxd5 *(16.g3 Qc4 17.Bxf8 Rxf8 18.Qd3 Qxd3 19.Rxd3 d4 20.Ne4 f5 21.Nd2 Rc8 22.Re1 Kf7 23.Ra3 Rc7 24.Kd1 h5 25.Ra5 h4 26.Raxe5 Bxe5 27.Rxe5 Kf6 28.f4 hxg3 29.hxg3 Rh7 30.Nf3 Rh1+ 31.Kd2 Bxa2 32.Ra5 Bc4 33.b3 Bf1 34.Rxa7 Ke6 35.Nxd4+ Kd5 36.Rd7+ Ke4 37.Kc3 Ke3 38.Rg7 Rh8 39.Rxg6 Bh3 40.b4 Rc8+ 41.Rc6 Rd8 42.Re6+ Kf2 43.b5 Kxg3 44.b6 Kxf4 45.Nc6 Rd7 46.Re7 Rd6 47.Rc7 Rd5 48.b7 Rb5 49.b8Q Rxb8 50.Nxb8 Ke5 51.Re7+ Kd6 52.Rh7 Bg4 53.Kd4 f4 54.Rh4 Bd1 55.c4 f3 56.Rf4 Be2*

57.Na6 Kc6 58.Nc5 Kd6 59.Nd3 Ke6 60.Ne5
1-0 (60) Elektromagnit (2836)-Cakeinspace (2832) Blitz 2021*)* 16...Qc4 17.Bxf8 Qxa2 18.Qc3 Bxf8 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Qxe5 Qa1+ 21.Kd2 Rd8+ 22.Ke2 Bc4+ 23.Kf2 Rxd1 24.Nd7+ Kg8 25.Qe8 Rf1+ 26.Kg3 Qe1+ 27.Qxe1 Bd6+ 28.Kh4 Rxe1 29.Rxe1 Be6 30.Nf6+ Kg7 31.Ne8+ Kf8 32.Nxd6 Bd5 33.Ne4 Kg7 34.Kg3 f5 35.Nd2 Kf6 36.c4 Bc6 37.b3 Kg5 38.Ra1 h5 39.Kf2 h4 40.Rxa7 Kf4 41.Ra6 Be8 42.g3+ hxg3+ 43.hxg3+ Ke5 44.Ke3 g5 45.f4+ gxf4+ 46.gxf4#
1-0 (46) Elektromagnit (2838)-Diamond2021 (2791) Blitz 2022;

C2b2) 15...Rfd8 16.Bxe6 Rxd2 17.Rxd2 fxe6 18.Re2 Rd8 19.b3 Qg5+ 20.Kb1 Rd5 21.Ne4 Qd8 22.Rhe1 a5 23.a4 h6 24.Be3 g5 25.h3 Bf8 26.Kb2 Bb4 27.c3 Bf8 28.Kc2 Qe7 29.Ra1 Qb7 30.Nd2 Qa6 31.Nc4 Qc8 32.Bf2 Bg7 33.Re4 Qd8 34.Bb6 Qd7 35.Rae1 c5 36.Bxa5 Qf7 37.Bb6 h5 38.a5 Qb7 39.R1e2 Kf7 40.h4 g4 41.fxg4 hxg4 42.Rxg4 Bh6 43.Rge4 Bf4 44.Rf2 Ke7 45.Rfe2 Rd7 46.g4 Qd5 47.Kb2 Qd1 48.Rc2 Qd3 49.Bxc5+ Ke8 50.Ree2 Rc7 51.Bb4 Rxc4 52.bxc4 Qxc4 53.g5 e4 54.g6 Be5 55.Kc1 Bf4+ 56.Kb1 Be5 57.h5 e3 58.Rxe3
1-0 (58) The Appleboy (2844)-Jessica Rabbitt (2677) Blitz 2022;

C2c) 14...Nf4 15.Bxf8 Qxf8 16.Bxe6 Nxe6 17.Kb1 Nd4 18.Ne2 c5 19.Nxd4 cxd4 20.Qe2 Rb8 21.Rd3 a5 22.Rb3 Rc8 23.Qb5 Rc5 24.Qb8 Rc8 25.Qa7 Ra8 26.Qb7 a4 27.Rb4 a3 28.Rd1 axb2 29.Rd3 h5 30.a4 Kh7 31.Ra3 Ra5 32.Qb6 Qa8 33.Qb7 Qf8 34.Kxb2 e4 35.fxe4 d3+ 36.c3 Qc5 37.Qb6 Qg5 38.Qf2 Rc5 39.h4 Qe7 40.Rbb3 Qxe4 41.Ra1 Rxc3 42.Rxc3 Qb4+ 43.Ka2 Qxc3 44.Rb1 d2 0-1 (44) Ls Kokomo (2841)-Yakamuzosan (2754) Blitz 2022;

C2d) 14...Qc7 15.Bxf8 Rxf8 16.Nxd5 cxd5 17.Bb3 a5 18.Qc3 Qb6 19.Bxd5 Bf5 20.Be4 Be6 21.Bd5 Bf5 22.Qb3 Qc7 23.Be4 Be6 24.Qb7 Qc4 25.Bd5 Qf4+ 26.Kb1 Bf5 27.g3 Qg5 28.Rhe1 Qf6 29.Be4 Be6 30.Rd3 Bc4 31.Rc3 Ba6 32.Qa7 Bb5 33.Rd1 a4 34.Qb7 Be8 35.a3 Qe6 36.Rc8 Kh8 37.Rdd8 Bf6 38.Bd5 Qh3 39.Rxe8
1-0 (39) May6Enexttime (2825)-Erow (2658) Blitz 2021;

C2e) 14...e4 15.Nxe4 Re8 16.Bd4 f5 17.Bxg7 fxe4 18.fxe4 Kxg7 19.exd5 cxd5

20.Bxd5 Bxd5 21.Qxd5 Qb6
22.Qd4+ Kg8 23.Qxb6 axb6
24.a3 Re2 25.Rd2 Re5
26.Rhd1 h5 27.g3 Kh7
28.Rf1 Kh6 29.Rd6 b5
30.Rff6 Rg5 31.Kd2 h4
32.gxh4 Rg2+ 33.Kd3 Ra4
34.Rd4 Rxd4+ 35.Kxd4 Rxc2
36.b4 Rc4+ 37.Kd5 Rc3
38.Ra6 Kh5 39.Kd4 Rc4+
40.Kd5 Rc3 41.a4 bxa4
42.Rxa4 Kxh4 43.b5+ Kh3
44.Rb4 Kxh2 45.b6 Rc8
46.b7 Rb8 47.Kc6 g5
48.Rg4 Rg8 49.Kc7 Rg7+
50.Kb6 Rg8 51.Rxg5 Rxg5
52.b8Q+ Kh3 53.Kc6 Kg4
54.Qd6 Rf5 55.Qd1+ Kg5
56.Kd6 Rf6+ 57.Ke5 Rf5+
58.Ke4 Rf4+ 59.Ke3 Rf5
60.Qd8+ Kg6 61.Ke4 Rf7
62.Qg8+ Kf6 63.Qh8+ Ke6
64.Qh6+ Rf6 65.Qh3+ Kf7
66.Ke5 Kg7 67.Qg4+ Rg6
68.Qd7+ Kh6 69.Qe8 Kg7
70.Kf5 Rf6+ 71.Kg5 Rf7
72.Qe5+ Kh7 73.Qh2+ Kg8
74.Qb8+ Kh7 75.Qb1+ Kg7
76.Qb2+ Kh7 77.Qc2+ Kg7
78.Qc3+ Kh7 79.Qd3+ Kg7
80.Qg6+ Kf8 81.Qh6+ Ke7
82.Qc6 Kf8 83.Kg6 Rg7+
84.Kh6 Rf7 85.Qd6+ Ke8
86.Qe6+ Kf8 87.Kg6 Rg7+
88.Kh6 Rf7 89.Qd6+ Ke8
90.Kg5 Rg7+ 91.Kf6 Rf7+
92.Kg5 Rg7+ 93.Kh6 Rf7
½-½ (93) Elektromagnit (2870)-Muisback (2918) Blitz 2022;

C3) 14.Bxf8 Qxf8♕ the strong Bb7 offers him full compensation.;

C4) 14.Ne4

C4a) 14...Qc7 15.Bxf8
(15.Bc4 Rfd8 16.Qf2 Nf4 17.Bxe6 Nxe6 18.g4 Qa5 19.Kb1 Rab8 20.Bd6 Rb5 21.c4 Rb7 22.c5 Nd4 23.Rd3 f5 24.gxf5 gxf5 25.Ng3 Qb5 26.Rhd1 Qc4 27.Nh5 Bh8 28.Qd2 f4 29.Rc3 Qe6 30.Qd3 Qg6 31.Ka1 Qxh5 32.Qa6 Qf7 33.Rg1+ Bg7 34.Bxe5 Nf5 35.Bxg7 Nxg7 36.Qxc6 Kh8 37.Qe4 Rbd7 38.Rcc1 Rd4 39.Qe5 Ra4 40.a3 Rg8 41.c6 Qb3 42.Qc5 Rb8 43.Rg2 Qxf3 44.Rgc2 Rc8 45.c7 Qg4 46.Qe5 Qd7 47.Rg2 f3 48.Rf2 Qd3 49.Qf6 Rxa3+ 50.bxa3 Qxa3+ 51.Kb1 Qb3+ 52.Rb2 Qd3+ 53.Ka2 Qa6+ 54.Kb1 Qd3+ 55.Ka1 Qa3+ 56.Kb1 Qd3+ ½-½ (56) Herushkanamura (2919)-Ajedrezlapalma (2633) Blitz 2022; 15.h4 Rfd8 16.h5 Nf4 17.Bd6 Qb6 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Qc3 Nd5 20.Qa3 Qe3+ 21.Qxe3 Nxe3 22.Re1 Nxf1 23.Be7 f5 24.Bxd8 fxe4 25.Bh4 Bh6+ 26.Kb1 Nd2+ 27.Ka1 exf3 28.gxf3 Nxf3 29.Ref1 e4 30.Bf6 Bg7 0-1 (30) Kivurawnuru (2846)-Zikator (2751) Blitz 2023)
15...Rxf8

C4a1) 16.Bc4

C4a11) 16...Rb8 17.Bb3
(17.g4 h6 18.h4 f5 19.gxf5 gxf5 20.Nc5 Bf7 21.Na6 Qb7 22.Nxb8 Qxb8 23.Rhg1 Kh7 24.Bd3 e4 25.Rxg7+

Kxg7 26.fxe4 Nb4 27.exf5 Nxa2+ 28.Kb1 Qe5 29.c4 1-0 (29) Uralan77 (2811)-Sanjaypune (2666) Blitz 2023*)* 17...Nf4 18.g3 Nd5 19.Kb1 a5 20.h4 h6 21.h5 g5 22.g4 Qb6 23.c3 Nf4 24.Bxe6 Nxe6 25.Ka1 a4 26.a3 Nf4 27.Qc2 Nd5 28.Rd2 Qe3 29.Rf1 Qa7 30.Re1 Rb3 31.c4 Ne3 32.Rd8+ Bf8 33.Nf6+ Kg7 34.Qh7+ Kxf6 35.Rxf8 Qe7 36.Qxh6# 1-0 (36) Exhausted10 (2827)-Ajedrezlapalma (2612) Blitz 2022;

C4a12) 16...Rd8 17.Nc5 Bc8 18.g3 Qb6 19.Na4 Qb8 20.Rhe1 h5 21.Bb3 Kh7 22.Kb1 Bf5 23.g4 hxg4 24.fxg4 Bxg4 25.Qg5 Bxd1 26.Rxd1 Bf6 27.Qg1 e4 28.Rf1 Qe5 29.c3 e3 30.Bc2 e2 31.Re1 Nf4 32.Qxa7 Kg7 33.Qf2 Rh8 34.a3 Bh4 35.Rxe2 Nxe2 36.Qb6 Rb8 37.Qxc6 Bf6 38.Ka2 Qe6+ 39.Qxe6 fxe6 40.Nc5 Kf7 41.Bb3 Nf4 42.a4 Rh8 43.a5 Rxh2 44.a6 Rh8 45.Bc2 g5 46.Be4 Be7 47.Nd7 Nd5 48.Kb3 Rd8 49.Ne5+ Kf6 50.Ng4+ Kg7 51.c4 Nb6 52.a7 Bc5 53.Ne5 Kf6 54.Nc6 Rh8 55.Nb8 g4 56.a8Q Nxa8 57.Nd7+ Ke7 58.Nxc5 g3 59.Nd3 Rg8 60.Bg2 Nc7 61.Kc3 Ne8 62.Ne5 Nf6 63.Nc6+ Kd6 64.Nd4 Ke5 65.Nb5 Kf4 66.Nd4 Ke3 67.Nxe6 Kf2 68.Nf4 1-0 (68) Kelevra317 (2839)-Smurf42 (2685) Blitz 2019;

C4a2) 16.Nc5 Bf5 17.Bd3 Bxd3 18.Nxd3 Rb8 19.c4 Nf4 20.b3 Nxd3+ 21.Qxd3 Qa5 22.Qd2 Qa3+ 23.Qb2 Qc5 24.Qd2 e4 25.Qd6 Qe3+ 26.Rd2 Rf8 27.Kd1 exf3 28.Re1 fxg2 29.Rxe3 g1Q+ 30.Re1 Qg4+ 31.Kc2 Qf5+ 32.Qd3 Qf6 33.Kd1 Qa1+ 34.Kc2 Qxa2+ 35.Kc1 Qa1+ 36.Qb1 Qxb1+ 37.Kxb1 Bc3 38.Ree2 Bxd2 39.Rxd2 Re8 40.Rd7 Re1+ 41.Kc2 Re2+ 42.Kd3 Rxh2 43.Rxa7 h5 44.b4 Rb2 45.b5 cxb5 46.c5 Rb1 47.c6 Kg7 48.c7 Rc1 49.Kd2 Rc6 50.Kd3 h4 51.Ke4 g5 52.Kd5 Rc1 53.Kd6 h3 54.Ra2 g4 55.Ra1 Rc2 56.Ra2 Rxc7 57.Kxc7 g3 58.Ra3 g2 59.Rg3+ Kf6 60.Rf3+ Ke5 61.Rxh3 g1Q 62.Re3+ Kf4 63.Rc3 Qd4 64.Rc6 Qe5+ 65.Kb7 f5 66.Rc8 Kg5 67.Rg8+ Kf4 68.Rc8 Qe4+ 69.Kb6 Kf3 70.Kxb5 f4 71.Rc3+ Qe3 72.Rc4 Ke2 73.Rc3 f3 74.Rc4 Qd3 75.Kb4 Qxc4+ 76.Kxc4 f2 77.Kc5 f1Q 78.Kc6 Qf3+ 79.Kd7 Qe3 80.Kc6 Kd3 81.Kc7 Qe4 82.Kb6 Kd4

83.Ka7 Qe5 84.Ka8 Kd5 85.Ka7 Qd6 86.Ka8 Kc5 87.Ka7 Qc6 88.Kb8 Qb5+ 89.Ka7 Kc6 0-1 (89) Vistagausta (2926)-Ihmelnyk (2663) Blitz 2021;

C4b) 14...Rb8

C4b1) 15.h4 h6 *(15...Qc7 16.h5 Rfd8 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Qf2 Nb4 19.Rxd8+ Qxd8 20.Bxb4 Rxb4 21.Qxa7 f5 22.Nc5 e4 23.Qxg7+* 1-0 (23) Brittabagels (2820)-Drawingchest (2630) Blitz 2021 *)* 16.Qe1 Re8 17.Bc4 f5 18.Bb3 fxe4 19.fxe4 Rb7 20.Qg3 Kh7 21.exd5 cxd5 22.h5 g5 23.Ba3 a5 24.Bxd5 Bxd5 25.Qd3+ e4 26.Qxd5 Qxd5 27.Rxd5 e3 28.Re1 Rf7 29.Bc5 e2 30.c3 Be5 31.Rxe2 Bf4+ 32.Kd1 Rxe2 33.Kxe2 Bc1 34.b4 Bb2 35.bxa5 Bxc3 36.a6 1-0 (36) Kivurawnuru (2828)-Lexisvar (2630) Blitz 2023;

C4b2) 15.Bc4

C4b21) 15...Re8 16.h4 f5 *(16...Nf4 17.Qc3 Bxc4 18.Qxc4 Qa5 19.g3 Ne6 20.a3 Qb5 21.Qxb5 cxb5 22.Bxa7 Ra8 23.Be3 Nd4 24.c3 Nxf3 25.Rhf1 Nh2 26.Rfe1 Ng4 27.Nd6 Nxe3 28.Nxe8 Nxd1 29.Nc7 Rc8 30.Nd5 Nxb2 31.Kxb2 Rc5 32.Nb4 e4 33.Rxe4 Bxc3+ 34.Kb3 Bxb4 35.Kxb4 Rf5 36.g4 Rd5 37.g5 Kg7 38.Rf4 Rf5 39.Rxf5 gxf5 40.Kxb5 f4 41.Kc4 f6 42.a4 fxg5 43.hxg5* 1-0 (43) Slimfritz (2823)-Unknown Maestro (2664) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Ng5 e4 18.Bb3 Qf6 19.Bd4 e3 20.Qe2 Nf4 21.Qxe3 Nxg2 22.Qxe6+ Rxe6 23.Bxe6+ 1-0 (23) Vistagausta (2854)-Nozdrachev,V (2846) Blitz 2022;

C4b22) 15...Qc7 16.Bb3 Rfd8 17.Qf2 a5 18.h4 h6 19.g4 Qb7 20.a4 Nf4 21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Bxe6 Nxe6 23.h5 Rb8 24.b3 Nxc5 25.Qxc5 Rd8 26.Rd1 Rd5 27.Rxd5 cxd5 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qxd5 Bf8 30.Ne4 Qxd5 31.Nf6+ Kg7 32.Nxd5 f5 33.Kd2 e4 34.gxf5 gxh5 35.fxe4 h4 36.Ke2 Bd6 37.Kf3 h3 38.Ne3 Kf6 39.Ng4+ Kg5 40.e5 h5 41.exd6 hxg4+ 42.Kg3 Kf6 43.c4 1-0 (43) Wounded Thirteenth (2905)-Dimitriy1975 (2586) Blitz 2022;

C4c) 14...h5 15.Bc4 *(15.Kb1 Rb8 16.Bc4 a5 17.Ng5 Bf5 18.g4 hxg4 19.fxg4 Bxg4 20.Bxf8 Qxf8 21.Bxd5 cxd5 22.Qxd5 e4 23.Rd4 Bf5 24.Rhd1 e3 25.Nf3 e2 26.Re1 Qc8 27.Rxe2 Bxd4 28.Nxd4 Bg4 29.Rf2 Qc7 30.c3 Re8 31.a4 Re1+ 32.Ka2 Kg7 33.Rg2 Bd1*

34.Nf5+ Kh7 35.Qd4 f6 36.Qxf6 Qc4+ Time forfeit 0-1 (36) Vistagausta (2867)-Yakamuzosan (2732) Blitz 2024; *15.Ng5 Bh6 16.h4 f6 17.Nxe6 Bxd2+ 18.Rxd2 Qa5 19.Bxf8 Rxf8 20.Nxf8 Kxf8 21.Bc4 Ne3 22.Bb3 c5 23.Rd3 Nf5 24.c3 Qb5 25.Rhd1 c4 26.Rd8+ Ke7 27.R8d7+ Ke6 28.Bc2 Qxd7 29.Rxd7 Kxd7 30.Bxf5+ gxf5 31.f4 Ke6 32.Kd2 Kd5 33.Ke3 Kc5 34.b3 a5 35.Kf3 Kd5 36.Ke3 Kc5 37.g3 Kd5 38.Kf3 Kc5 39.Ke2 Kb5 40.Kd2 Kc5 41.Kc2 Kd5 42.b4 axb4 43.cxb4 e4 44.Kc3 e3 45.a4 Kc6 46.Kc2 Kb6 47.Kc3 Kc6 48.Kc2 Kd6 49.Kc3 Kd5 50.Kc2 Kd4 51.a5 Kd5 52.b5 Kc5 53.a6 Kb6 54.Kc3 Ka7 55.Kc2 Kb6 56.Kc3 Ka7 57.Kc2 Kb6* ½-½ (57) Ggs2000 (2858)-Yakamuzosan (2747) Blitz 2023 *)*

C4c1) 15...Re8

C4c11) 16.h4

C4c111) 16...Nf4

C4c1111) 17.Qxd8 Rexd8 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.Be7 *(19.Be3 f5 20.Ng5 Nc7 21.c4 Bf6 22.Kc2 a6 23.Bb6 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Ne8 25.Rd7 Rb8 26.c5 Ng7 27.Rd6 Bxg5 28.hxg5 Rc8 29.Rxg6* 1-0 (29) Thedirector (2811)-Quick Mate (2762) Blitz 2022 *)* 19...Rxd1+ 20.Rxd1 f5 21.Ng5 Nf4 22.g3 Ne2+ 23.Kb1 Nxg3 24.Rd6 Re8 25.Bf6 e4 26.fxe4 Nxe4 27.Nxe4 Rxe4 0 - 1 (2 7) Neverstop93 (2841)-Lsgeneraal (2871) Blitz 2022;

C4c1112) 17.Bb3 Bxb3 18.axb3 a5 19.g3 Qxd2+ 20.Rxd2 Ne6 21.Ba3 f5 22.Nd6 Bh6 23.Nxe8 Rxe8 24.Kd1 Bxd2 25.Kxd2 Nd4 26.c3 Nxf3+ 27.Ke3 e4 28.Rd1 Ne5 29.Rd6 Kh7 30.Bc5 Ng4+ 31.Ke2 e3 32.Rxc6 f4 33.gxf4 Re4 34.Rc7+ Kg8 35.Bd6 Nh6 36.Rc4 Re6 37.Be5 Nf5 38.Rc5 Nxh4 39.Kxe3 Nf5+ 40.Kf3 h4 41.Kg4 Rb6 42.b4 axb4 43.c4 b3 44.Rc8+ Kf7 45.c5 Rb4 46.c6 Rc4 47.c7 Ne7 48.Rh8 Ke6 49.Rxh4 Nd5 50.Rh7 Nb6 51.Rh8 Kd5 52.Rb8 Nd7 53.c8Q Nxe5+ 54.Kg5 Rxc8 55.Rxc8 Nf3+ 56.Kxg6 Ke4 57.f5 Nh4+ 58.Kf6 Nxf5

59.Rc4+ Nd4 60.Rb4 Kd3 61.Rb8 Ne2 62.Ke5 Kc2 63.Kd5 Nc1 64.Kc4 Kxb2 65.Rb4 Kc2 66.Rxb3 Nxb3 ½-½ (66) Kostik Mostik (2834)-Sakali (2743) Blitz 2023;

C4c1113) 17.Bxe6 Nxe6 *(17...Qxd2+ 18.Rxd2 Nxe6 19.Be3 f5 20.Nd6 Red8 21.c3 Bf8 22.Nc4 Rxd2 23.Kxd2 Bg7 24.Kc2 Kf7 25.Rd1 Ke7 26.Rd6 Rc8 27.Bxa7 Bf6 28.Bf2 Nf4 29.Bc5 Kf7 30.g3 Ne2 31.Rd2 Nxg3 32.Nd6+ Ke6 33.Nxc8 Bxh4 34.a4 e4 35.f4 Nf1 36.Rg2 e3 37.Kd3 g5 38.Bxe3 g4 39.Bf2 Bxf2 40.Rxf2 Ng3 41.Rh2 Kd5 42.a5 c5 43.Ne7+ Kd6 44.a6 Kc7 45.Nxf5 Nxf5 46.Rxh5 Nd6 47.Rxc5+ Kb6 48.Rg5* 1-0 (48) Tactic Trainer2023 (2818)-Lav Eli Mi Kri1920 (2814) Blitz 2024 *)* 18.Qc3

C4c11131)

18...Qb8 19.Rd7 *(19.Bd6 Qb6 20.Qc4 Rad8 21.Rd3 Qb5 22.Qxb5 cxb5 23.Rhd1 f5 24.Nc3 Nd4 25.Bc5 a6 26.a4 Rc8 27.b4 Bf8 28.Bxd4 exd4 29.Nd5 Re2 30.R1d2 Rxd2 31.Kxd2 bxa4 32.Rxd4 a3 33.Rd3 a2 34.Ra3 Rd8* 0-1 (34) Slimfritz (2835)-Vistagausta (2947) Blitz 2022*)* 19...Qb5 20.Rhd1 a5 21.Ba3 Nd4 22.Kb1 Red8 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Qd3 Ne6 25.Bd6 Qxd3 26.Rxd3 Nf4 27.Rd2 f5 28.Be7 Rxd2 29.Nxd2 Nxg2 30.Nc4 Ne1 31.Nxa5 Nxf3 32.Nc4 Kf7 33.Bd8 g5 34.hxg5 h4 35.g6+ Kxg6 36.Bxh4 Nxh4 37.a4 e4 38.c3 f4 39.a5 f3 40.a6 f2 41.Ne3 Bh6 42.Nf1 e3 43.a7 e2 44.a8Q exf1Q+ 45.Ka2 Qc4+ 46.Ka3 f1Q 47.Qe8+ Qff7 48.Qe4+ Qxe4 49.b3 Kh7 50.Kb2 Kh8 0-1 (50) Loin Sn (2866)-Ignathor (2701) Blitz 2025;

C4c11132)

18...Nd4 19.Kb1 *(19.Bxd4 exd4 20.Qxc6 Qa5 21.Kb1 Rec8 22.Qd7 Rab8 23.Rd3 Rc7 24.Qd6 Rbc8 25.Rc1 Rc6 26.Qa3 Qd8 27.g3 a5 28.c4 Rxc4 29.Rxc4 Rxc4 30.Qd6 Qc8 31.Rd1 Rc6 32.Qd5 a4 33.Nd6 Qd7 34.Qxf7+ Qxf7 35.Nxf7 Kxf7 36.b3 a3* 0 - 1 (3 6) Vistagausta (2851)-Quick Mate (2725) B l i t z 2 0 2 2)

19...Qd5 20.b3 a5 21.a4 Rab8 22.Rd3 Red8 23.Qxa5 f5 24.Nd2 e4 25.fxe4 fxe4 26.Rdh3 Nb5 27.axb5 Ra8 28.Ba7 Qxb5 29.Qxb5 cxb5 30.Nxe4 Rxa7 31.c3 Ra3 32.b4 Re8 33.Re1 Bxc3 34.Nf6+ Kf7 35.Rxe8 Ra1+ 36.Kc2 Bxf6 37.Rb8 Ra2+ 38.Kd3 Rxg2 39.Rxb5 Rg4 40.Rb7+ Kg8 41.Re3 Rd4+ 42.Kc2 1-0 (42) Vistagausta (2889)-Quick Mate (2741) Blitz 2022;

C4c112) 16...Rb8 17.g4 Nf4 18.Qxd8 Rbxd8 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Bxa7 f5 21.gxf5 gxf5 22.Nd6 Rf8 23.a3 Rd7 24.Be3 Nd4 25.Bxd4 exd4 26.Nc4 c5 27.Rhg1 Kh7 28.f4 Bf6 29.Rg5 Bxg5 30.hxg5 Re7 31.Rh1 Kg6 32.Ne5+ Rxe5 33.fxe5 f4 34.Kd2 f3 35.Ke1 Kxg5 36.Kf2 Re8 37.Kxf3 Rxe5 38.Rg1+ Kf5 39.Rh1 Re3+ 40.Kf2 Kg5 41.Rg1+ Kf4 42.Rh1 Rf3+ 43.Ke2 Kg4 44.Rh4+ Kxh4 45.Kxf3 Kg5 46.Kg3 h4+ 47.Kh3 c4 0-1 (47) Bettercollsoul (2862)-Xxysoul6 (2946) Blitz 2024;

C4c113) 16...Qc7 17.Ng5 Bf5 18.g4 hxg4 19.h5 Rad8 *(19...gxf3 20.hxg6 Bxg6 21.Nxf3 Rad8 22.Qg5 Qa5 23.Ba3 Qb6 24.Nh4 Bf6 25.Qg4 Qe3+ 26.Kb1 Qf4 27.Qxf4 exf4 28.Rdg1 Bd4 29.Rg4 Re6 30.Bxd5 Rxd5 31.Rxf4 Be3 32.Rg4 Re4 33.Nxg6 fxg6 34.Rxg6+ Kf7 35.Rxc6 Bb6 36.Rf1+ Kg7 37.b3 Re2 38.Bb2+*

Kg8 39.Rg6+ Kh7 40.Rg7+ Kh6 41.Rh1+ Rh5 42.Rf1 Rhh2 43.Rg3 Rxc2 44.Rf6+ Kh5 45.Bc1 Rxa2 46.Rh6# 1-0 (46) Ilqar (2827)-Ve A Terapia Men (2823) Blitz 2023*)* 20.h6 Bf6 21.fxg4 Bxg4 22.Ne4 Be7 23.Bxe7 Qxe7 24.Rdf1 Nf4 25.Qc3 Rd6 26.Rxf4 exf4 27.Qg7# 1-0 (27) Vistagausta (2898)-Yakamuzosan (2774) Blitz 2024;

C4c12) 16.Kb1 Qc7 17.Bb3 *(17.Ng5 Bf5 18.h3 h4 19.Ne4 Red8 20.Qg5 Rab8 21.Bb3 a5 22.a4 Rxb3 23.cxb3 Qb7 24.Qxd8+* Normal 1-0 (24) Vistagausta (2861)-Yakamuzosan (2756) Blitz 2024*)* 17...Red8 18.Qf2 a5 19.a4 Rab8 20.Rd2 Nf4 21.Bxe6 Nxe6 22.Bd6 Rxd6 23.Rxd6 Nd4 24.c3 Nf5 25.Rd3 Qb7 26.Rhd1 Bf8 27.g4 hxg4 28.fxg4 Nh6 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Rd8 Qb3 31.g5 Nf5 32.Qc2 Qb6 33.Rxb8 Qxb8 34.Rd7 Be7 35.Nh5+ Kf8 36.Ng3 Ne3 37.Qf2 Nd5 38.Ne4 Qb3 39.Qc2 Qc4 40.Rb7 Kg7 41.h4 Qf1+ 42.Ka2 Qc4+ 43.b3 Qf1 44.h5 gxh5 45.Nf6 Nxf6 46.gxf6+ Bxf6 47.Qe4 Qf2+ 48.Ka3 h4 49.Qg4+ Kf8 50.Rb8+ Ke7 51.Rb7+ Kf8 52.Rb8+ Ke7 53.Qc8 Qc5+ 54.Ka2 Bg5 55.Qd8+ Ke6 56.Qxg5 Qf2+ 57.Ka3 Qf4 58.Kb2 Qxg5 59.Re8+ Kd7 60.Rg8 Ke7 61.Rxg5 Ke6 62.b4 f6 63.Rh5 e4 64.Rh6 e3 65.Rxh4 e2 66.Re4+ 1-0 (66) Vistagausta (2901)-Yakamuzosan (2736) Blitz 2025;

C4c2) 15...a5 16.h4 a4 17.Kb1 Rb8 18.c3 Re8 19.Ng5 Bf5+ 20.Ka1 Qa5 21.Ba3 e4 22.fxe4 Bxe4 23.Nxe4 Rxe4 24.Bxd5 cxd5 25.Qxd5 Qxd5 26.Rxd5 Rbe8 27.Kb1 Re2 28.Ra5 R8e4 29.g3 Rg2 30.Bd6 Ree2 31.Rb5 f5 32.a3 Kf7 33.Rd1 Bf6 34.Bf4 Re4 35.Rd7+ Be7 36.Ra7 Rg1+ 37.Ka2 Ke6 38.Rb6+ Kd5 39.Rba6 Bc5 40.Rd7+ Kc4 41.Rxa4+ Kb5 42.Rxe4 fxe4 43.b4 Bf2 44.Kb3 Kc6 45.Re7 e3 46.Bxe3 Re1 47.Bxf2 Rxe7 48.a4 Re2 49.Bd4 Re4 50.b5+ Kd5 51.a5 Rg4 52.Bf2 Re4 53.a6 Re8 54.b6 Kc6 55.Kb4 Re2 56.Bd4 Rb2+ 57.Ka3 Rb1 58.b7 Kc7 59.Be5+ Kc6 60.b8Q Rxb8 61.Bxb8 Kb6 62.a7 Kb7 63.Kb4 Ka8 64.Kc4 g5 65.Kd4 gxh4 66.gxh4 Kb7 67.Ke4

Ka8 68.Kf4 Kb7 69.Kg5 Ka8 70.Kxh5 Kb7 71.Kg4 Ka8 72.h5 Kb7 73.h6 Ka8 74.h7 Kb7 75.h8Q Ka8 76.Qh7 ½-½ (76) Bellingol (2818)-Yakamuzosan (2734) Blitz 2023;

C4c3) 15...Qc7

C4c31) 16.Kb1 Rfd8 17.Bb3 a5 18.a4 Nf4 19.Bd6 Qb6 20.Bxe6 Nxe6 21.Qc3 Nd4 22.g4 h4 23.g5 Rd7 24.Rd3 Rad8 25.Bc5 Qa6 26.Rhd1 Ne2 27.Qe1 Rxd3 28.Rxd3 Nd4 29.Qxh4 Rd5 30.Bxd4 Rxd4 31.Rxd4 exd4 32.Qe1 d3 33.c3 Qc4 34.Qd1 Qd5 35.Nf2 Qxg5 36.Nxd3 Qg2 37.h4 Bf6 38.Ka2 Bxh4 39.Nc5 Bf6 40.Ne4 Be7 41.Qd7 Kf8 42.Qc8+ Kg7 43.Qe8 Bh4 44.Qxc6 Qxf3 45.Qd5 Qf5 46.Qd4+ Kh7 47.b4 axb4 48.cxb4 Be7 49.a5 Qe6+ 50.Ka3 f5 51.Nc5 Qe1 52.a6 Qc1+ 53.Ka4 Qc2+ 54.Kb5 Qe2+ 55.Kb6 Bxc5+ 56.Kb7 Qxa6+ 57.Kxa6 Bxd4 58.b5 Bc5 59.b6 Bxb6 60.Kb7 g5 61.Kc6 g4 62.Kb7 g3 63.Kc6 g2 64.Kb7 g1Q 65.Ka6 ½-½ (65) Vistagausta (2896)-Yakamuzosan (2741) Blitz 2025;

C4c32) 16.Bxf8 Rxf8 17.Ng5 Bh6 18.Kb1 Qe7 19.f4 exf4 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Bxd5 exd5 22.Rde1 Qf6 23.Rhf1 Bg7 24.c3 g5 25.Re2 g4 26.Rfe1 *(26.Qd3 a5 27.Rfe1 a4 28.Re6 Qg5 29.Rxc6 f3 30.gxf3 gxf3 31.a3 f2 32.Rf1 Qg2 33.Rg6 Qe4 34.Qxe4 dxe4 35.Re6 Rf4 36.Kc2 Kf7 37.Ra6 e3 38.Kd3 Rf3 39.Rxa4 Bh6 40.Re4 Rh3 41.a4 Rxh2 42.a5 Kf6 43.a6 Kf5 44.a7 Rh3 45.a8Q* 1-0 (45) Bellingol (2824)-Yakamuzosan (2728) Blitz 2023*)* 26...f3 27.gxf3 gxf3 28.Rf2 Bh6 29.Qd3 Qh4 30.Rg1+ Kh8 31.Rxf3 Rxf3 32.Qxf3 Qe7 33.Qxh5 Qe3 34.Qg6 1-0 (34) Bellingol (2825)-Yakamuzosan (2727) Blitz 2023;

C4c33) 16.h4 Rfd8 17.Ng5 Bf5 18.Qe2 *(18.Qf2 Rab8 19.Bb3 a5 20.a4 Rxb3 21.cxb3 Qb7 22.g4 hxg4 23.fxg4 Bxg4 24.Rdg1 Bh5 25.Kb1 Nf4 26.Rg3 Rd5 27.Rf1 Be2 28.Rc1 Bd3+ 29.Ka2 Bf5 30.h5 Nd3 31.Rxd3 Rxd3 32.hxg6 Qxb3+ 33.Ka1 Qxa4+ 34.Ba3 Rxa3+ 35.bxa3* 0-1 (35) Vistagausta (2896)-Yakamuzosan (2775) Blitz 2024*)* 18...Nf4 19.Qf2 Rd5 20.g3 Ne6 21.Nxe6 Bxe6 22.Bxd5 cxd5 23.Ba3 Rc8

24.Kb1 Bf5 25.Rxd5 Bxc2+ 26.Ka1 Bf5 27.Rc5 Qb7 28.Rxc8+ Qxc8 29.Qd2 Qc6 30.Qe3 e4 31.fxe4 Bxe4 32.Rc1 Qa4 33.Bc5 Bd5 34.a3 Kh7 35.Bxa7 Bh6 36.Qd3 Bxc1 37.Qxd5 Qxa7 38.Ka2 Bh6 39.b4 Bg7 40.Qd3 Qf2+ 41.Kb3 f5 42.a4 Qa2+ 43.Kxa2 1-0 (43) Vistagausta (2905)-Yakamuzosan (2766) Blitz 2024;

C4d) 14...h6

C4d1) 15.h4 f5 16.Bxf8 *(16.Nd6 Rb8 17.Bc4 a5 18.a4 Qf6 19.Bb3 Rfd8 20.Qxa5 e4 21.Bd4 Qxd4 22.Rxd4 Bxd4 23.fxe4 Rxd6 24.exd5 Bxd5 25.Qc7 Rdd8 26.Bxd5+ cxd5 27.c3 Bg7 28.h5 d4 29.hxg6 dxc3 30.Qf7+ Kh8 31.Rxh6+ Bxh6+ 32.Kc2 Rxb2+ 33.Kxc3 Bg7+ 34.Kc4 Rc2+ 35.Kb5 Rb8+ 36.Ka6 Rc6+ 37.Ka7 Rf8 38.Qd5 Rxg6 39.a5 Rgf6 40.a6 R8f7+ 41.Kb8 Rb6+ 42.Kc8 Rf8+ 43.Kc7 Rxa6 44.Qc4 Rg6 45.Qh4+ Rh6 46.Qc4 f4 47.Kd7 Rg6 48.Qe4 Rgf6 49.Qf3 Bh6 50.Qh5 Kg7 51.Qg4+ Rg6 52.Qf3 Rf7+ 53.Ke8 Rf8+ 54.Ke7 Bg5+ 55.Kd7 Rf7+ 56.Kc8 Rh6 57.Qc3+ Bf6* 0-1 (57) Mikegscarn (2814)-Lenochka18 (2798) Blitz 2023 *)* 16...Qxf8 17.Nc3 e4 18.Nxd5 cxd5 19.c3 d4 20.cxd4 Bxa2 21.Qa5 Bb3 22.Rd2 Rc8+ 23.Kb1 e3 24.Re2 Bxd4 25.Re1 Rc2 26.Re2 Qc8 27.Qe1 Qa6 0-1 (27) Brittabagels (2858)-Satlan (2698) Blitz 2022;

C4d2) 15.Bxf8 Qxf8 16.Bc4 Rb8 17.Bb3 Kh7 18.Qf2 f5 19.Nc5 Bg8 20.Nd7 Qd6 21.Nxb8 Qxb8 22.Rhe1 a5 23.Qc5 a4 24.Bxa4 e4 25.Bb3 Nb4 26.Kb1 Na6 27.Qe7 Bxb3 28.axb3 1-0 (28) Dmitrij Im (2896)-Dhonimessi (2715) Blitz 2022;

C4e) 14...f5 15.Ng5 Bh6 16.h4 Re8 17.Bc4 *(17.c4 Nf4 18.Qxd8 Raxd8 19.Rxd8 Rxd8 20.Kc2 Bf7 21.b3 Ne6 22.Be3 Nd4+ 23.Bxd4 Rxd4 24.Bd3 c5 25.Re1 Bg7 26.Nxf7 Kxf7 27.h5 Kf6 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.a3 a5 30.g3 Bh6 31.Re2 Bf8 32.Kc3 Bd6 33.Re3 e4 34.fxe4 f4 35.gxf4 Bxf4 36.Rf3 g5 37.b4 axb4+ 38.axb4 Ke5 39.bxc5 Rd8 40.Rh3 Rc8 41.Kb4 Kd4 42.Be2 Rb8+ 43.Ka4 Kxc5 44.Rd3 Kxc4 45.Rb3+ Kd4 46.Rxb8 Bxb8 47.Bg4 Kxe4 48.Bh5 Kf4 49.Kb3 g4 50.Bxg4 Kxg4* ½-½ (50) Elektromagnit (2817)-Doreality (2722) Blitz 2021*)* 17...Qc7 18.Bb3 a5 19.a4 Rab8 20.Kb1 Bxg5 21.hxg5 Nf4 22.Bd6 Qb6 23.Bxb8 Bxb3 24.Bxe5 Nd5 25.Bd4 c5 26.cxb3 cxd4 27.Qxd4 Qxd4

28.Rxd4 1-0 (28) Elektromagnit (2819)-Doreality (2751) Blitz 2021;

C4f) 14...Re8

C4f1) 15.h4 Roiz,M: '⩲'

C4f11) 15...Nf4 16.g3 Nh5 *(16...Qxd2+ 17.Rxd2 Nh5 18.g4 Nf4 19.g5 Bd5 20.b3 Ne6 21.Be3 Nd4 22.Bg2 a5 23.c3 Ne6 24.Rhd1 a4 25.b4 a3 26.Bf1 Nf4 27.Kb1 Reb8 28.Bc5 h6 29.Kc1 h5 30.Kb1 Re8 31.Bd3 Nxd3 32.Rxd3 Reb8 33.Rxd5 cxd5 34.Rxd5 Rd8 35.c4 Rxd5 36.cxd5 Bf8 37.d6 f5 38.gxf6 Kf7 39.d7 Rd8 40.Bxf8 Kxf8 41.Nc5 Kf7 42.b5 Kxf6 43.b6 Ke7 44.b7 Kd6 45.Na6 Kxd7 46.b8Q Rxb8+ 47.Nxb8+ Kd6 48.Na6 g5 49.hxg5 h4 50.Nb4 h3 51.Nd3 h2 52.Nf2 Ke6 53.Kc2 Kf5 54.Kd3 Kxg5 55.Ke4 Kf6 56.Ng4+ Ke6 57.Nxh2 Kd6 58.Ng4 Kc5 59.Nxe5 Kb4 60.Kd4 Kb5 61.Nc4 Kc6 62.f4 Kd7 63.Nxa3 Ke6 64.Nc4 Kf6 65.a4 Kf5 66.a5 Kxf4 67.a6 Kf3 68.a7 Ke2 69.a8Q Kd1 70.Qe4 Kc1 71.Qe2 Kb1 72.Qb2#* 1-0 (72) Arabamdacia (2809)-Maxnov Kon (2622) Blitz 2023 *)* 17.Qc3 *(17.g4 Nf4 18.Qc3 Bd5 19.h5 gxh5 20.gxh5 h6 21.Qe3 Qa5 22.a3 Ne6 23.b4 Qa4 24.Rg1 Bxe4 25.fxe4 Ng5 26.Rxg5 hxg5 27.Bc4 Kh8 28.h6 Bxh6 29.Qh3 Qxa3+ 30.Qxa3 Kg7 31.Kb2 Rac8 32.Rd7 g4 33.Rxf7+ Kg6 34.Qg3 Re6 35.Bxe6 Bf4 36.Qxg4+ Kh6 37.Qh3+ Kg5 38.Qf5+ Kh6 39.Rh7#* 1-0 (39) Solidor59 (2893)-Pseudo (2396) Blitz 2024*)* 17...Qb8 18.g4 Nf4 *(18...Nf6 19.h5 Nxe4 20.fxe4 Rd8 21.Bd3 Bxg4 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Rdg1 Bh5 24.Be7 Rd7 25.Bc4+ Kh8 26.Rxh5 Rxe7 27.Rxg6 Qe8 28.Qg3 Bf6 29.Rg8+ Qxg8 30.Bxg8 Rxg8 31.Qf2 Rg6 32.a4 Rd7 33.Kb1 h6 34.Rf5 Bg7 35.Rf7 Rd4 36.Rxa7 Rxe4 37.Qf5 Reg4 38.a5 R4g5 39.Qd3 Rg3 40.Qd8+ Kh7 41.a6 Rg1+ 42.Ka2 c5 43.Qa5 Rf1 44.Rb7 Rgg1 45.Kb3 c4+ 46.Kxc4 Ra1 47.Qb5 Rg4+ 48.Kb3 Rg6 49.a7 h5 50.Qe8 Kh6 51.a8Q Rxa8 52.Qxa8 h4 53.Qa7 Rg3+ 54.c3 Bf6 55.Qf2 Rg6 56.Qf3 Bg7 57.Qe3+ Kh5 58.Qh3 Rg5 59.Qf3+ Kh6 60.Qe4 Kh5 61.Rb6 h3 62.Qf3+ Rg4 63.Rb4 e4 64.Rxe4 Bf6 65.Rxg4*

Bg5 66.Qf5 Kh6 67.Qxg5+ Kh7 68.Qh5# 1-0 (68) Riptorn (2819)-Pseudo (2471) Rapid 2023 *)* 19.h5 Nd5 20.Qe1 gxh5 21.gxh5 h6 22.Rg1 Kh8 23.Rxg7 Kxg7 24.Qg3+ Kh7 25.Bd3 Rg8 26.Nd6+ e4 27.Bxe4+ f5 28.Qe5 Rg5 29.Qxe6 fxe4 30.Qxe4+ Kg8 31.Qe6+ Kh7 32.Rg1 Qf8 33.Qe4+ Kh8 34.Bd4+ Nf6 35.Rxg5 hxg5 36.Qg6 Qxd6 37.Bxf6+ Qxf6 38.Qxf6+ Kh7 39.Qg6+ Kh8 40.Qxc6 Rf8 41.Qh6+ Kg8 42.Qxg5+ Kf7 43.Qg6+ Ke7 44.h6 Re8 45.Qxe8+ Kxe8 46.h7 Kd7 47.h8Q Ke6 48.Qd4 Kf5 49.c4 a5 50.c5 Ke6 51.c6 Ke7 52.c7 a4 53.c8Q Kf7 54.Qf5+ Kg8 55.Qg6+ Kf8 56.Qdf6# 1-0 (56) Caissa,X (2947)-Pseudo (2406) Blitz 2024;

C4f12) 15...Rb8 16.g4 f5 17.gxf5 gxf5 18.Nd6 e4 19.Rg1 Re7 20.Qh6 Qd7 21.Bd4 exf3 22.Bxg7 f2 23.Rg2 Rxg7 24.Rxg7+ Qxg7 25.Qxe6+ Kf8 26.Qxf5+ Ke7 27.Nc4 Qh6+ 28.Rd2 Rf8 29.Qe5+ Qe6 30.Qg5+ Qf6 31.Ne5 Qxg5 32.hxg5 Rf5 33.Nxc6+ Kf7 34.Nd4 Rf4 35.Ne2 Rf5 36.Nd4 Rf4 37.Ne2 Rf5 38.Ng3 Rxg5 39.Ne4 Re5 40.Rxf2+ Ke7 41.Ng3 Rg5 42.Bc4 Ne3 43.Re2 Rxg3 44.Kd2 Kf6 45.Rxe3 Rg2+ 46.Be2 h6 47.Rh3 Rg6 48.Rh5 Ke7 49.Bd3 Rb6 50.b3 Rd6 51.b4 Rb6 52.a3 Rf6 53.Ra5 a6 54.c4 Kd6 55.Kc3 Kd7 56.Rh5 Rc6 57.c5 Rf6 58.Rh3 Ke7 59.Kb3 h5 60.Rxh5 Rf3 61.Kc3 Rf6 62.Rh7+ Ke6 63.Kd4 Rf8 64.Bc4+ Kf5 65.Rf7+ Rxf7 66.Bxf7 Kf6 67.a4 Kxf7 68.a5 Ke7 69.b5 Kd7 70.bxa6 Kc6 71.a7 Kb7 72.a8Q+ Kxa8 73.a6 Ka7 74.c6 Kb6 75.a7 Kxa7 76.Kd5 Ka6 77.Kd6 Kb5 78.c7 Kc4 79.c8Q+ Kd4 80.Qg4+ Kc3 81.Qf3+ Kc2 82.Kc5 Kb1 83.Qf2 Kc1 84.Kb4 Kb1 85.Kb3 Ka1 86.Qg1# 1-0 (86) Reinforcementtrial (2924)-Ultimateshockwave (2865) Blitz 2023;

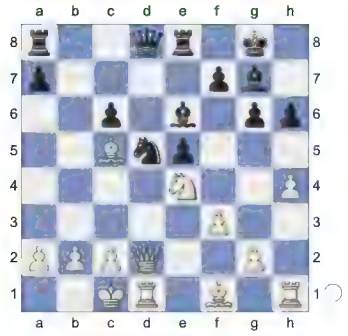
C4f13) 15...h5 16.Ng5 *(16.g4 hxg4 17.h5 f5 18.hxg6 fxe4 19.Qh2 Qg5+ 20.Kb1 Qxg6 21.fxe4 g3 22.Qh4 Nf4 23.Rg1 g2 24.Bxg2 Nxg2 25.Qh2 Rad8 26.Bd6 Bg4 27.Qxg2 Rxd6 28.Rxd6 Qxd6 29.Qxg4 Qf6 30.Qd7 Re7 31.Qc8+ Kf7 32.Qh3 Qe6 33.Qh5+*

Kg8 34.a4 a5 35.Qg5 Rd7 36.b3 c5 37.Qh5 c4 38.Rg6 Qf7 39.Kb2 cxb3 40.cxb3 Rd2+ 41.Kc3 Rf2 42.Qg4 Qc7+ 43.Kd3 Qc2+ 44.Ke3 Qd2# 0-1 (44) Tackofall (2886)-Yakamuzosan (2701) Blitz 2024*) 16...Nf4 *(16...Rb8 17.Nxe6 Rxe6 18.Bc4 e4 19.c3 Qa5 20.Bd4 e3 21.Qc2 e2 22.Rde1 Bxd4 23.cxd4 Ne3 24.Qd3 Nxc4 25.Qxc4 Rb4 26.Qc3 Qb6 27.g4 Rxd4 28.gxh5 Re5 29.Kb1 Rc5 30.Qe3 Rcd5 31.Qe8+ Kg7 32.h6+* 1-0 (32) Vistagausta (2851)-Quick Mate (2754) Blitz 2022*)* 17.g3 Qxd2+ 18.Rxd2 Nd5 19.Bc4 Bh6 *(19...Rad8 20.Rhd1 Bh6 21.Bxa7 f6 22.Nxe6 Bxd2+ 23.Rxd2 Rxe6 24.Bc5 f5 25.a4 e4 26.fxe4 fxe4 27.a5 e3 28.Re2 Re4 29.b3 Rxc4 30.bxc4 Nc3 31.Re1 e2 32.Bf2 Ra8 33.Kd2 Ne4+ 34.Ke3 Nxf2 35.Kxf2 Rxa5 36.Rxe2 Rc5 37.Re4 Kf7 38.Ke3 Kf6 39.Kd4 Ra5 40.c5 Ra3 41.c3 Ra4+ 42.c4 Ra3 43.Rf4+ Ke6 44.Re4+ Kf6 45.g4 hxg4 46.Rxg4 Rh3 47.Rf4+ Ke6 48.Ke4 Rc3 49.Kd4 Rh3 50.Rg4 Kf5 51.Rg5+ Kf6 52.Rg1 Rxh4+ 53.Kc3 g5 54.Kb4 Kf5 55.Rf1+ Rf4 56.Rg1 g4 57.Ka5 Rxc4 58.Kb6 Kf4 59.Kxc6 g3 60.Kd5 Rc2 61.Rf1+ Kg4 62.Rf8 g2 63.Rg8+ Kh3 64.Rf8 g1Q 65.Rh8+ Kg2 66.Rg8+ Kf1 67.Rf8+ Qf2 68.Re8 Rxc5+ 69.Ke6 Qd4 70.Rf8+ Ke2 71.Rf2+ Kd3 72.Rd2+ Kc4 73.Rc2+* 1-0 (73) Rockywins2 (2879)-Sakali (2696) Blitz 2023*)* 20.Rhd1 f6 21.Nxe6 Rxe6 22.f4 Rae8 23.Rxd5 cxd5 24.Bxd5 exf4 25.gxf4 Bxf4+ 26.Kb1 a6 27.Re1 Be5 28.b4 Kg7 29.Bxe6 Rxe6 30.c4 Rc6 31.a4 a5 32.Re4 axb4 33.Bxb4 Bg3 34.a5 g5 35.hxg5 fxg5 36.Re7+ Kg6 37.Rb7 Bf2 38.c5 Bxc5 39.a6 Bxb4 40.a7 Ra6 41.Rb6+ Rxb6 42.a8Q Be7+ 43.Kc2 Re6 44.Qg8+ Kf5 45.Qf7+ Bf6 46.Qxh5 Re4 47.Qh7+ Kf4 48.Kd3 Rd4+ 49.Ke2 g4 50.Qh6+ Kf5 51.Qh5+ Kf4 52.Qg6 Ke5 53.Ke3 Ke6 54.Qe8+ Kf5 55.Qc8+ Kg5 56.Qg8+ Kf5 57.Qh7+ Kg5 58.Qb1 Rd8 59.Qb5+ Kg6 60.Kf4 Rd4+ 61.Kg3 Rd8 62.Kxg4 Rd4+ 63.Kf3 Rd8 64.Qb1+ Kf7 65.Qh7+

Ke6 66.Qe4+ Kf7 67.Qc4+ Kf8 68.Qc7 Be7 69.Ke4 Rd6 70.Kf5 Rf6+ 71.Kg4 Rd6 72.Kh5 Rf6 73.Qd7 Rd6 74.Qf5+ Rf6 75.Qc8+ Kf7 76.Qc4+ Kf8 77.Qc8+ Kf7 78.Qc4+ Kf8 79.Qc8+ ½-½ (79) Vistagausta (2912)-Diamond2021 (2760) Blitz 2022;

C4f14) 15...Qc7 16.h5 *(16.g4 Red8 17.h5 Nf4 18.Bd6 Qb6 19.Qc3 Bxa2 20.Bc4 Nd5 21.Qd3 Bxc4 22.Qxc4 Ne3 23.Qe2 Nxd1 24.Rxd1 Qb5 25.c4 Qa4 26.g5 Rab8 27.Bxb8 Rxb8 28.Kb1 Qb3 29.h6 Bf8 30.Nf6+ Kh8 31.Rd7 Rb7 32.Rxb7 Qxb7 33.Qxe5 Qb3 34.Nd5+ Kg8 35.Ne7+* 1-0 (35) Exhausted10 (2817)-Yakamuzosan (2752) Blitz 2022*)* 16...Red8 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Ng5 Nf4 19.Nxe6 Nxe6 20.Bd6 Qb6 21.Bc4 e4 22.c3 e3 23.Qc2 c5 24.Bg3 Rxd1+ 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Rxd8+ Nxd8 27.Qe4 Ne6 28.Qxe3 Kh7 29.Kc2 Qc6 30.Qe4 Qa4+ 31.Bb3 Qa6 32.Bxe6 fxe6 33.a4 c4 34.b3 cxb3+ 35.Kxb3 Qb6+ 36.Qb4 Qe3 37.Qh4+ Kg8 38.Qd8+ Kh7 39.Qh4+ Kg8 40.Qc4 a5 41.Bc7 Kh7 42.Bxa5 Qg5 43.Bb4 Qxg2 44.Qe4 Qf1 45.a5 Qd1+ 46.Ka3 Qa1+ 47.Kb3 Qd1+ 48.Kc4 Qa4 49.Qh4+ Kg8 50.Qd8+ Kh7 51.Qd3 Qa2+ 52.Kb5 Qb3 53.a6 Qa2 54.Qd7 Kh6 55.a7 Be5 56.Kb6 Bf4 57.Kb7 Be3 58.a8Q 1-0 (58) Kivurawnuru (2909)-Sibuna1 (2472) Blitz 2024;

C4f15) 15...h6 Perunovic,Milos: 'Diagram



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C4f151) 16.g4 Perunovic,Milos: 'N'

C4f1511) 16...Nf4 17.Qc3 Qc7 *(17...Bd5 18.h5 g5 19.Qa3 Qc7 20.Rh2 Red8 21.Rhd2 Ne6 22.Be7 Rd7 23.Nf6+ Bxf6 24.Bxf6 Nf8 25.Qe3 Re8 26.Bxg5 hxg5 27.Qxg5+ Kh8 28.Qf6+ Kg8 29.h6 Ne6 30.h7+ Kxh7 31.Rh2+* 1-0 (31) Neverstop93 (2865)-Alphastyle (2663)

Blitz 2023) 18.g5 Bd5 19.Bc4 Re6 20.b3 a5 21.a4 h5 22.Rd2 f6 23.Be3 f5 24.Bxd5 Nxd5 25.Rxd5 fxe4 26.fxe4 Bf8 27.Rhd1 Bb4 28.Qc4 Qf7 29.Rd7 Qe8 30.Bc5 Bxc5 31.Qxc5 1-0 (31) Uralan77 (2906)-Foo0K (2572) Blitz 2024;

C4f1512) 16...Rb8 17.h5 f5 18.Nd6 e4 19.c3 e3 20.Qc2 Qa5 21.Nxe8 Rxe8 22.Bd4 Qxa2 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.hxg6 Rb8 25.Bd3 fxg4 26.Qh2 Qa1+ 27.Bb1 Bf5 28.Qxh6+ Kf6 29.g7+ Ke7 30.Qg5+ Nf6 31.Qxf5 Qxb2# 0 - 1 (3 1) Mothandtheflame (2892)-Ve A Terapia Men (2810) Blitz 2021;

C4f1513) 16...Qc7

C4f15131) 17.g5 h5 18.Bc4 Red8 *(18...Rad8 19.Qf2 Nf4 20.Bxe6 Nxe6 21.Rxd8 Rxd8 22.Rd1 Rd5 23.Be3 Nf4 24.a3 Qd7 25.Qf1 a5 26.c3 a4 27.Kc2 Qf5 28.c4 Rxd1 29.Qxd1 Ne6 30.Kb1 Nd4 31.Bxd4 exd4 32.Qxa4 Qxf3 33.Qxc6 Qf1+ 34.Ka2 d3 35.Qe8+ Bf8 36.Nf6+ Kg7 37.Qe5 Qe2 38.Nxh5+ Kg8 39.Nf6+ Kg7 40.Qc3 Qc2 41.Nd5+ Kg8 42.Nf6+ Kh8 43.Nd5+ Bg7 44.Qb4 d2* 0-1 (44) Sirjohn13 (2835) - Horrendousbrilliancy (2873) Blitz 2021) 19.Qf2 Perunovic,Milos: '⩲'

C4f151311) 19...Nf4 20.Bb3 Bd5 21.Kb1 Rd7 22.Rd2 Rad8 23.Rhd1 Ne6 24.Be3 Nd4 25.Bxd4 exd4 26.Bxd5 Rxd5 27.Qe2 Qf4 28.Qf2 c5 29.c4 Rf5 30.Qg3 Qxg3 31.Nxg3 Rxf3 32.Ne4 Rc8 33.Rf2 Rxf2 34.Nxf2 Re8 35.Nd3 Bf8 36.b4 cxb4 37.c5 Rc8 38.Rc1 Be7 39.Rc4 f6 40.gxf6 Bxf6 41.c6 Bxh4 42.Rxd4 Bg3

43.Rc4 h4 44.Nc1 h3 45.Ne2 Be5 46.Rh4 h2 47.Rh3 Rxc6 48.Nd4 Bxd4 49.Rxh2 Bc3 50.Rg2 Kf7 51.Kc2 a5 52.Kb3 Rc5 53.a3 Rf5 54.axb4 axb4 55.Kc4 Kf6 56.Rg1 g5 57.Rd1 Rf4+ 58.Kd5 Kf5 59.Rh1 g4 60.Rh5+ Kg6 61.Rh4 Kg5 62.Rh1 g3 63.Rg1 Kg4 64.Rg2 Kf3 65.Rg1 g2 66.Rd1 Rd4+ 67.Ke5 Rxd1+ 0-1 (67)

Lintchevski,D (2901)-Professor Coach (2574) Blitz 2024;

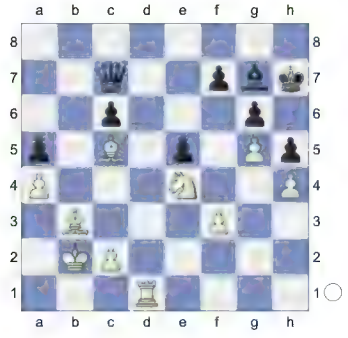
C4f151312)

19...Rab8 20.Bb3 a5 21.a4 Qb7 *(21...Rd7 22.Rd2 Rbd8 23.Rhd1 Nf4 24.Bb6 Rxd2 25.Rxd2 Rxd2 26.Bxc7 Rxf2 27.Nxf2 Bxb3 28.cxb3 Ne2+ 29.Kb1 Nd4 30.Bxa5 Nxf3 31.Bb6 e4 32.Nxe4 Be5 33.a5 Bb8 34.Nf6+ Kg7 35.Nd7 Bg3 36.a6 Nxh4 37.Bd4+ f6 38.a7 Nf5 39.Bxf6+ Kf7 40.a8Q h4 41.Qxc6 h3 42.Qd5+ Ke8 43.Qe6+ Ne7 44.Qxe7#*

1-0 (44)

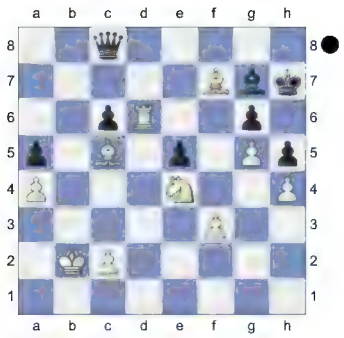
Vistagausta (2840)-Vadapav2609 (2620) Blitz 2024; *21...Nf4 22.Bxe6 Nxe6 23.Bd6 Qb7 24.b3 Rbc8 25.Ba3 Nd4 26.Bb2 c5 27.Bxd4 cxd4 28.Rd3 Qb4 29.Rhd1 Rc6 30.Kb2 Rdc8 31.Rc1 Rb8 32.Ka2 Bf8 33.Nf6+ Rxf6 34.gxf6 Qa3+ 35.Kb1 Bb4 36.c4 Bc3 37.Rcxc3 dxc3 38.Rxc3 Rxb3+ 39.Rxb3 Qxb3+ 40.Qb2 Qd1+ 41.Qc1 Qxf3 42.c5 Qb3+ 43.Ka1 Qxa4+ 44.Kb2 Qb5+ 45.Ka3 Qb4+ 46.Ka2 Qa4+ 47.Kb2 Qb4+ 48.Ka1 Qa4+ 49.Kb1 Qb4+ 50.Ka2 Qa4+ 51.Qa3 Qc4+ 52.Kb2 a4 53.Qe3 e4 54.Ka3 Qb3+ 55.Qxb3 axb3 56.c6 e3 57.c7 e2 58.c8Q+ Kh7 59.Qe8* 1-0 (59)

Chesstime1111 (2811) - Hokuspokusfidibus (2618) Blitz 2022)
22.Rd2 Nf4
23.Rxd8+ Rxd8
24.Bxe6 Nxe6
25.b3 Rd5 26.Rd1 Qd7 27.Rd2 Nxc5
28.Nxc5 Qf5
29.Ne4 Qf4
30.Qg3 Qe3
31.Qf2 Qf4 32.Kd1 Rxd2+ 33.Nxd2 e4
34.Nxe4 Be5
35.b4 axb4 36.a5 Bb2 37.Ke2 Qc1
38.Qc5 Bc3
39.Nf6+ Kg7
40.Ne8+ Kh7
41.Nf6+ Kg7
42.Ne8+ Kh7
43.Nf6+ Kg7
½ - ½ (43) Vistagausta (2847)-Vadapav2609 (2620) Blitz 2023;
C4f151313)
19...Qa5 20.Qe1
(20.a3 Nf4
21.Rxd8++- Rxd8
22.Bxe6 Nxe6
23.Bxa7+- Nd4
24.Bc5 Qb5
25.Re1 Rb8;
20.Rd2 Nf4
21.Bxe6 Nxe6
22.a3∞ Rd5?!
23.Be3 Nd4
24.Rd3 Rb8;
20.Rd3∓ Nf4
21.Ra3 Qc7
22.Bxe6 Nxe6
23.Rd1 Rxd1+∞
24.Kxd1∞ Nxc5
25.Qxc5 Qd7+
26.Rd3 Qh3
27.Qf2 Qh1+
28.Qe1 Qh3
29.Kc1 Rb8
30.Qf2 Rb7
31.b3∞ Rd7
32.Rxd7↑ Qxd7!?
33.Qc5 Qf5≅
34.Qxc6 Qf4+
35.Kb2 Qxh4
36.Qe8+) 20...Nc3
(20...Qa4 21.Bb3± Qa6? 22.Qf1 Qa5) 21.Rxd8+
(21.Qxc3 Qxc3 22.Nxc3 Bxc4)
21...Rxd8 22.Bxe6 Rd1+ 23.Qxd1 Nxd1 24.Bb3 Nxb2 25.Kxb2 Qc7 26.Rd1 a5 27.a4 Kh7 Diagram



28.Rd6!? Qc8
29.Bxf7 Diagram

(Diagram)



Qf5 30.Bxg6+ Qxg6 31.Rxg6 Kxg6 32.Kb3 Kf5?! 33.Ng3+ ½-½ (33) Carlsen, M (2835) - Nepomniachtchi,I (2763) Wijk aan Zee 2019 [Perunovic,Milos]; **C4f151314)** 19...Qb7!; **C4f151315)** 19...a5 20.a4 Rab8 21.b3 Rd7 22.Rd2 Rbd8 23.Rhd1 Qb8 *(23...Qb7 24.Ba3 Qb8 25.Nc5 Bf8 26.Kb2 Bxc5 27.Bxc5 Bf5 28.Qe1 Re8 29.Re2 Nb6 30.Bxb6 Rxd1 31.Qxd1 Qxb6 32.Qd2 Qc5 33.Qc3 Kg7 34.Rd2 Kg8 35.Re2 Kf8 36.f4 Qd4 37.Rxe5 Qxf4 38.Rxe8+ Kxe8 39.Qxa5 Qd4+ 40.Qc3 Qxh4 41.Qe5+ Kd7 42.a5 Qxg5 43.a6 Qg1 44.Bxf7 Qf2 45.Be6+* 1 - 0 (4 5) Kelevra317 (2868)-Destroyer7777777 (2785) Blitz 2022) 24.Ba3 Nf4 25.Bxe6 Rxd2 26.Bxf7+ Kxf7 27.Rxd2 Rd5 28.Bb2 Bf8 29.Qe3 Bb4 30.Nc3 Qd6 31.Nxd5 Bxd2+ 32.Qxd2 Qxd5 33.Qxd5+ cxd5 34.Bxe5 Ng2 35.b4 1-0 (35) Kelevra317 (2918)-Multibrendovyi (2825) Blitz 2021; **C4f15132)** 17.h5 g5 18.Bc4 Red8 **C4f151321)** 19.Bb3 a5 20.a4 Nf4 *(20...Rab8 21.Qf2 Rxb3 22.cxb3 Qb7 23.Qc2 Rb8 24.Bd6 Ne3 25.Qd3 Nxd1 26.Bxb8 Nxb2 27.Kxb2 Qxb8 28.Rd1 Bd5 29.Qc3 Qb6 30.Rd3 Kh8 31.Ka2 Kg8 32.Qd2 Kh8 33.Rxd5 cxd5 34.Qxd5 Kg8 35.Nd6 Qc7 36.Qa8+ Bf8 37.Nc4 e4*

38.Qxe4 Qh2+ 39.Kb1 Bg7 40.Qe3 Qh1+ 41.Kc2 Qg2+ 42.Kd3 Qf1+ 43.Ke4 Qb1+ 44.Kd5 Qd1+ 45.Kc6 Qd8 46.Kb5 Qb8+ 47.Kxa5 Bf8 48.Ka6 Bb4 49.Qb6 Qa8+ 50.Kb5 1-0 (50) Kivurawnuru (2812)-Wuzhaobing (2676) Blitz 2023*)* 21.Qc3 Ne2+ 0-1 (21) Mothandtheflame (2844)-Muisback (3012) Blitz 2022; **C4f151322)** 19.Qf2 **C4f1513221)** 19...Rab8 20.Bxa7 Rb7 21.Bc5 Qa5 22.Bb3 Nf4 23.Rxd8+ Qxd8 24.Rd1 Rd7 25.Rxd7 Qxd7 26.Qd2 Bd5 27.c4 Be6 28.Qxd7 Bxd7 29.Kd2 f5 30.gxf5 Bxf5 31.Bc2 g4 32.fxg4 Bxg4 33.a4 Ne6 34.Bb6 Bf8 35.Nf6+ 1-0 (35) Motar0 (2872)-Sanjaypune (2604) Blitz 2023; **C4f1513222)** 19...Rd7 20.Rd2 Rad8 21.Rhd1 Kh8 22.Bb3 f5 23.gxf5 Bxf5 24.c4 Nf4 25.Rxd7 Rxd7 26.Bc2 Rxd1+ 27.Kxd1 Qf7 28.b3 Qxh5 29.Bxa7 g4 30.fxg4 Qh1+ 31.Qe1 Bxg4+ 32.Kd2 Qh2+ 33.Qf2 Qh1 34.Be3 Qa1 35.Qh4 Be6 36.Qd8+ Bg8 37.Nf6 1-0 (37) Vistagausta (2863)-Nguyen,D (2663) Blitz 2022; **C4f1513223)** 19...a5 20.a4 *(20.Kb1 Rab8 21.Bb3 f5 22.gxf5 Bxf5 23.c4 Nb4 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Bb6 Qf7 26.Bxd8 Bxe4+ 27.Ka1 Nd3 28.Qe3 Qxf3 29.Qxf3 Bxf3 30.Rf1 e4 31.c5+ Kh8 32.Bxa5 Nxb2 33.Kb1 Nd3 34.Bb6 g4 35.a4 g3 36.a5 g2 37.Rg1 Nb4 38.Bc4 Bd4 39.Rxg2 Bxg2 40.a6 Nxa6 41.Bxa6 Bf3 42.Kc2 Bxh5* 0-1 (42) Baidetskyi, V (2813)-Smurf42 (2684) Blitz 2024*)* 20...Rab8 21.Rd2

(21.b3 Kh8 22.Rd2 f5 23.gxf5 Bxf5 24.Rhd1 Be6 25.Qg3 Qf7 26.Bd6 Rxd6 27.Nxd6 Qxh5 28.Ne4 Rf8 29.Rh2 Qxf3 30.Qxf3 Rxf3 31.Nxg5 Bg4 32.Nxf3 Bxf3 33.Rdh1 Bxh1 34.Rxh1 Nf4 35.b4 axb4 36.a5 e4 37.a6 Bd4 38.Rxh6+ Kg7 39.Rh4 Be3+ 40.Kd1 Nd5 41.Bxd5 cxd5 42.Rh5 Kf6 43.Rxd5

1-0 (43) Gordima (2829)-Smurf42 (2731) Blitz 2022*)*

21...f5 22.gxf5 Bxf5 23.Rhd1 Be6 24.Bb3 Qf7 25.Kb1 Qxh5 26.Nd6 Rf8 27.Rd3 g4 28.Nc4 Rxf3 29.Rxf3 gxf3 30.Nxa5 Rd8 31.Nxc6 Nc3+ 32.bxc3 Rxd1+ 33.Kb2 Bxb3 34.Kxb3 Qf7+ 35.Kb2 Qb7+ 36.Nb4 e4 37.a5 Qb5 38.a6 Qa4 39.Na2 Qxa6 40.Qe3 Qb5+ 41.Nb4 Qa4 42.Na2 Qc4 43.Ba3 Qe2 44.Qb6 f2 45.Qe6+ Kh8 46.Qc8+ Kh7 47.Qf5+ Kh8 48.Qc8+ Kh7 49.Bf8 Bxf8 50.Qf5+

1 - 0 (5 0) Mothandtheflame (2841)-Quick Mate (2744) Blitz 2022;

C4f1513224)

19...Nf4 20.Bxe6 *(20.Bb3 Bxb3 21.axb3 Rd5 22.Rd2 a5 23.Nc3 a4 24.Nxa4 e4 25.fxe4 Qe5 26.c3 Rxc5 27.Qxc5 Qxc5 28.Nxc5 Ra1+ 29.Kc2 Rxh1 30.b4 Rg1 31.Rd8+ Kh7 32.Rd7 Rxg4 33.Rxf7 Kg8 34.Rc7 Rg2+ 35.Kb3 g4 36.Rxc6 Ne2 37.b5 Be5 38.Nd7 Nc1+ 39.Ka3 Bg7 40.b6 Rd2 41.b7 Rxd7 42.b8Q+ Kh7 43.Rg6 Nd3 44.Rxg4*

1 - 0 (4 4) Exhausted10 (2 8 3 4) - Yakamuzosan (2694) Blitz 2022*)*

20...Nxe6

C4f15132241)

21.Bd6 Qa5

(21...Qb6 22.b3 Nd4 23.Bc5 Qa5 24.Kb1 Rd5 25.Be7 Nb5 26.c4 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 Nc3+ 28.Nxc3 Qxc3 29.Ba3 e4 30.Bb2 Qxf3 31.Qxf3 exf3 32.Rf1 f5 33.Rxf3 fxg4 34.Rg3 Rf8 35.Bxg7 Kxg7 36.Rxg4 Rf2 37.Rd4 c5 38.Rd7+ Rf7 39.Rd6 Rf6 40.Rd7+ Kf8 41.Kc2 g4 42.Rd3 Rf2+ 43.Kc3 Kf7 44.Rg3 Rf4 45.b4 Rf3+ 46.Rxf3+ gxf3 47.Kd3 cxb4 48.Ke3 a5 49.Kxf3 a4 50.Ke3 a3 51.Kd3 b3 0 - 1 (5 1)

Exhausted10 (2 8 4 3) - Yakamuzosan (2685) Blitz 2022*)*

22.Kb1 Rd7 23.c3 *(23.Rd2 Rad8 24.Rhd1 Nd4 25.Bc5 Rd5 26.c3 Ne6 27.Bxa7 Ra8 28.b4 Qxa7 29.Qxa7 Rxa7 30.Rxd5 cxd5 31.Rxd5 Rc7 32.Kb2 Kf8 33.a4 Ke7 34.a5 Nf4 35.Rd2 Rd7 36.Rxd7+ Kxd7 37.Kb3 Kc6 38.c4 Bf8 39.b5+ Kb7 40.c5 Ne6 41.Kc4 Nd4 42.Nd6+ Kc7 43.a6 Bxd6 44.cxd6+ Kb6 45.Kd5 Ne6 46.d7 Nd8 47.Kxe5 Kxb5 48.a7* 1-0 (48)

Betterattictactoe (2875)-Tigerlilov (2696) Blitz 2022*;*

23.Rd3 Nf4 24.Rd2 Rad8 25.Rhd1 Nd5 26.Bc5 Qa6 27.Rd3 Nb6 28.Rxd7 Rxd7 29.Rxd7 Nxd7 30.Be3 Qc4 31.b3 Qd5 32.Bxa7 f5 33.gxf5 Nf6 34.a4 Qd7 35.a5 Qxf5 36.a6 Ne8 37.Bb6 Qc8 38.a7 Qb7 39.Qd2 1-0 (39)

Forgiants (2844)-Tigerlilov (2655) Blitz 2023*)*

23...Rad8 24.Rd2 Nf4 25.Rhd1 Nd5 26.Bc5 Qb5 27.Ka1 a5 28.Rd3 a4 29.Qc2 Qc4 30.Qd2 Rb8 31.Ba3 Rb5 32.Qe2 Nf4 33.Rxd7 Qxe2 34.R7d2 Qxf3 35.Nd6 Rd5 0 - 1 (3 5)

Betterattictactoe (2880)-Tigerlilov

(2691) Blitz 2022;
C4f15132242)
21.Ba3 Rd5
22.Ng3 e4
23.Nxe4 Rad8
24.Rxd5 cxd5
25.Ng3 Nd4
26.Kb1 Nb5
27.Bb4 a5 28.Bd2 Rc8 29.Be1 Na3+
30.bxa3 Qb8+
31.Kc1 Qb2+
32.Kd1 Qb1+
33.Ke2 Rxc2+
34.Bd2 Qb5+
35.Kd1 Rxa2
36.Qe3 Qb1+
37.Ke2 Qb5+
38.Qd3 Qe8+
39.Kf2 Qc6
40.Rd1 Be5
41.Nf5 Qc5+
42.Kf1 Rxa3
43.Nxh6+ Kf8
44.Qf5 Qc4+
45.Kg1 Qd4+
46.Kh1 Bf6
47.Qc8+ Kg7
48.Nf5+ Kh7
49.Nxd4 Bxd4
50.Qf5+
1 - 0 (5 0) Mr Alxumuk (2863)-Saqochess (2583) Blitz 2023;
C4f15132243)
21.Qe3 Rd5 22.c4 Rd4 23.Bxd4 exd4 24.Qa3 c5 25.Rd3 a5 26.Qa4 Nf4 27.Rb3 d3 28.Qb5 Bd4 29.Qb7 Qd8 30.Rd1 a4 31.Rb6 a3 32.b4 cxb4 33.Rd6 Bb2+ 34.Kb1 Qf8 35.R1xd3 Nxd3 36.Rxd3 Re8 37.c5 f5 38.Qd5+ Kh8 39.gxf5 Re5 40.Qd6 Rxf5 41.c6 Rxf3 42.Rxf3 Qxf3 43.Qd8+ Kh7 44.Qd7+ Bg7 45.Qd5 Qf1+ 46.Kc2 Qa1 47.Kb3 Qb2+ 48.Ka4 b3 49.Qf5+ Kg8 50.Qe6+ Kf8 51.Qxb3 Qd4+ 52.Qb4+ Qxb4+ 53.Kxb4
1 - 0 (5 3) Brittabagels (2850)-Yakamuzosan (2713) Blitz 2022;
C4f15132244)
21.Rxd8+ Rxd8
22.Rd1 Rxd1+
(22...a6 23.Rxd8+ Qxd8 24.Qd2 Qd5 25.b3 Nd4 26.Bxd4 exd4 27.Qd3 f5 28.Nd2 fxg4 29.fxg4 Qh1+ 30.Qf1 Qh4 31.Qe2 Qg3 32.a4 a5 33.Kb1 d3 34.cxd3 Qg1+ 35.Kc2 Qa1 36.Qe4 Qc3+ 37.Kd1 Kh8 38.Ke2 Qb2 39.Qe8+ Kh7 40.Qxc6 Bc3

41.Qg6+ Kh8
42.Qxh6+ Kg8
43.Qxg5+ Kf8
44.h6 Bxd2
45.Qxd2 Qxb3
46.Qxa5 Qe6+
47.Kd2 Qxh6+
48.g5 Qh2+
49.Kc3 Qf2
50.Qb4+ Ke8
51.Qe4+ Kf7
52.g6+ Kg8
53.Qd5+ Kh8
54.Qd4+

1 - 0 (5 4) Mothandtheflame (2814)-Sergeiaza (2716) Blitz 2022*)*
23.Kxd1 a5 24.a4 Nd4 25.c3 Nb3 26.Kc2 Na1+ 27.Kb1 Nb3 28.Qc2 Qb8 29.Bd6 Qb6 30.Ka2 Nd4 31.cxd4 exd4 32.Bc5 Qa6 33.Qd1 d3 34.Qb3 Bh8 35.Be3 Be5 36.Nc5 1-0 (36) BIZOO (2842)-Saqochess (2651) Rapid 2021;
C4f15132245)
21.Be3 Rd5 22.c4 Rdd8 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Rd1 Nd4 25.Ng3 Qd7 26.Bxd4 exd4 27.Nf5 d3 28.Nxg7 Kxg7 29.Qe3 Qd6 30.Rd2 a5 31.b3 a4 32.Kd1 Qf6 33.Ke1 axb3 34.axb3 Qc3 35.Kf2 Qxb3 36.Qe5+ Kg8 37.Qf6 Qb6+ 38.Kg2 Qd4 39.Qxh6 Qf4 40.Rd1 Rd6
Normal 0-1 (40) Baidetskyi, V (2821)-Sergeiaza (2632) Blitz 2024;
C4f15132246)
21.c3 Rd5 22.c4 Nxc5 23.Nxc5 Rd4 24.Rxd4 exd4 25.Nd3 a5 26.Re1 a4 27.Re4 a3 28.b3 Qd7 29.Qe2 Rf8 30.Kc2 f5 31.Re7 Qd6 32.Re6 Qd7 33.c5 fxg4 34.fxg4 Qd5 35.Rd6 Qh1 36.b4 Qa1 37.Qe6+ Kh8 38.Qc4 Qg1 39.Kb3 Qxg4 40.Rxc6 Qd1+ 41.Qc2 Qxc2+ 42.Kxc2 Bf6 43.Re6 g4 44.Nf4 Kg7 45.Re4 Rc8 46.Kd3 g3 47.Ne2 g2 48.Rg4+ Bg5 49.Rxg2

1 - 0 (4 9) Betterattictactoe (2880)-Sergeiaza (2722) Blitz 2022;
C4f15133) 17.Bc4 Red8 *(17...a5 18.a3 Red8 19.Qf2 Rab8*

20.Rd3 a4 21.h5 g5 22.Rhd1 Kh7 23.b4 axb3 24.cxb3 f5 25.gxf5 Bxf5 26.Qc2 Qf7 27.Nd6 Rxd6 28.Bxd6 Rd8 29.Bc5 Qxh5 30.Rxd5 Bxc2 31.Rxd8 Bf5 32.R1d7 Qh1+ 33.Kd2 Qg2+ 34.Kc3 Qxf3+ 35.Kb4 Bxd7 36.Rxd7 Kg6 37.a4 e4 38.a5 Bc3+ 39.Ka4 Qh1 40.Rd6+ Kf5 41.Rxc6 Qa1+ 42.Ba3 Bb2

0-1 (42) Anya6 (2818)-Luoxiaoke (2875) Blitz 2023*)*

18.Bb3 a5 19.g5 h5 20.Nf6+ Nxf6

0 - 1 (2 0) Diamond2021 (2834)-Tigerlilov (2702) Blitz 2022;

C4f15134) 17.Qf2 Red8 18.Bc4 Nf4 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.g5 h5 21.a3 Rd5 *(21...Nd4 22.Bxd4 exd4 23.Kb1 a5 24.Rhe1 c5 25.Qd2 a4 26.Nf6+ Kh8 27.f4 Rab8 28.f5 Qb6 29.c4 Qb3 30.fxg6 fxg6 31.Re7 Qxc4 32.Rde1 Qc3 33.Re8+ Bf8 34.Qxc3 dxc3 35.Rxd8 Rxd8 36.bxc3 Bg7 37.Kc2 Bxf6 38.gxf6 Kg8 39.Re7 Rd5 40.Rg7+ Kf8 41.Rxg6 Kf7 42.Rh6 Rf5 43.Kd3 Rf3+ 44.Kc4 Rf4+ 45.Kxc5 Rxh4 46.c4 Rh3 47.Kb4 Rh4 48.Kb5 Rh3 49.Kxa4 h4 50.c5 Rh1 51.c6 h3 52.c7 Rc1 53.Rh8 Rxc7 54.Rh7+*

1 - 0 (5 4) Kelevra317 (2913)-Saqochess (2620) Blitz 2022*)* 22.c4 Rdd8 23.Kb1 Nf4 24.Qc2 Ne6 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.Rd1 Nd4 27.Qa4 Nxf3 28.Bf2 Rxd1+ 29.Qxd1 Nd4 30.Ka2 Qd7 31.Qd3 Qf5 32.b4 Qf4 33.Kb2 Qh2 34.a4 Qg2 35.b5 cxb5 36.cxb5 Bf8 37.a5 Nxb5 38.Nf6+ Kg7 39.Qxb5 Qxf2+ 40.Kb3 Qe3+ 41.Kc2 Qf2+ 42.Kb3 Qg3+ 43.Kc2 Qh2+ 44.Kb3 Qg3+

45.Kc2 Qf2+ 46.Kb3 ½-½ (46) Herushkanamura (2933)-Tigerlilov (2682) Blitz 2022;

C4f152) 16.c4 Nf4 17.g3 Qxd2+ 18.Rxd2 Nh5 19.g4 Nf4 20.g5 Bf5 21.gxh6 Bxe4 22.fxe4 Bxh6 23.Be3 Red8 24.Rhh2 Kh7 25.Kc2 Ne6 26.Bxh6 Kxh6 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.Rf2 Kg7 29.Bh3 Nd4+ 30.Kc3 Rh8 31.Bd7 Rxh4 32.Kb4 Rxe4 33.Kc5 f5 34.b3 Kf6 35.Bxc6 Nxc6 36.Kxc6 g5 37.c5 g4 38.Rc2 g3 39.Kb7 Rg4 40.c6 g2 41.c7 g1Q 42.c8Q Rg7+ 43.Ka8 Rg8 44.Rc6+ Kf7 45.Rc7+ Kf6 46.Rc6+ Ke7 47.Rc7+ Kd6 48.Rd7+ Ke6 49.Rd8+ Ke7 50.Rxg8 Qh1+ 51.Kxa7 1-0 (51) Vistagausta (2849)-Halfmillion2023 (2779) Blitz 2023;

C4f153) 16.h5 g5 *(16...f5 17.Nd6 Re7 18.hxg6 Rd7 19.c4 Nf4 20.g3 Nxg6 21.Rxh6 Bxh6 22.Qxh6 Qf6 23.Be2 Rh7 24.Qe3 Rd8 25.Bxa7 f4 26.Ne4 Rxd1+ 27.Bxd1 Qe7 28.Qb6 Qxa7 29.Nf6+ Kh8 30.Qd8+ Kg7 31.Nxh7 Qe3+ 32.Qd2 Qxd2+ 33.Kxd2 fxg3 34.Ke3 Kxh7 35.b3 Nf4 36.Be2 c5 37.Bf1 g2 38.Bxg2 Nxg2+ 39.Ke4 Ne1 40.Kxe5 Bd7 41.Kd6 Bc8 42.Kxc5 Nxf3 43.a4 Kg6 44.b4 Kf6 45.Kd6 Nd2 46.c5 Nc4+ 47.Kc7 Be6 48.b5 Ke5 49.b6 Na5 50.c6 Bd5 51.b7 Nxc6 52.a5 Nxa5 53.b8Q Nc6 54.Qh8+ Ke4 55.Kd6* 1 - 0 (5 5) Mothandtheflame (2893)-Smurf42 (2751) Blitz 2022; *16...Qc7 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.Bc4 Red8 19.g3 Nf4 20.Qc3 Nd5 21.Qa3 Qf7 22.Nd6 Qf6 23.Ne4 Qf7 24.Bb3 a5 25.Rhf1 a4 26.Bc4 g5 27.Kb1 Rdb8 28.Nd6 Qf6 29.Ne4 Qf7 30.f4 exf4 31.c3 Nxc3+ 32.Nxc3 Bxc4 33.Rf2 Qg6+ 34.Ka1 fxg3 35.Rg2 Qf5 36.Rxg3 Bb3 37.Rc1 Qe5 38.Rgg1 Rd8 39.Rge1 Qf6 40.Be7 Qd4 41.Bxd8 Qxd8 42.Ne4 Bf8 43.Nc5 Qd4 44.axb3 Rb8 45.bxa4 Bg7 46.Rc2 Rb4 47.Ne6 Qg4 48.Qd3 Rxa4+ 49.Kb1 Qh4 50.Qd8+ Kh7 51.Qd3+ Kg8 52.Rce2 Qc4 53.Qxc4 Rxc4*

54.Rd1 g4 55.Rd7 Bf8 56.Rf2 Bc5 57.Rf6 Rd4 58.Rg7+ Kh8 59.Rxh6# 1-0 (59) Exhausted10 (2840)-Saqochess (2662) Blitz 2022*)*
17.c4 *(17.g4 a5 18.Qf2 Qc7 19.Bc4 Nf4 20.Bxe6 Nxe6 21.Rd2 a4 22.Rhd1 a3 23.b3 Nd4 24.c3 Ne6 25.Rd7 Qa5 26.Bb4 Qa6 27.Nd6 Rf8 28.Nf5 Rfd8 29.Nxg7 Kxg7 30.c4 Rxd7 31.Rxd7 Rd8 32.Rxd8 Nxd8 33.Qe3 c5 34.Bc3 f6 35.Qd3 Nf7 36.Qg6+ Kf8 37.Qf5 Qc6 38.b4 cxb4 39.Bxb4+ Ke8 40.Qe4 Qc8 41.Kc2 Nd8 42.Qg6+ Kd7 43.Qg7+ Kc6 44.Qxf6+ Kb7 45.Kb3 Nc6 46.Qg7+ Kb6 47.Qxh6 Qd7 48.Qd6 Qf7 49.Qc5+ Kb7 50.Qb5+ Kc7 51.Ba5+ Nxa5+ 52.Qxa5+ Kc6 53.Qd5+* 1-0 (53) Bettercollsoul (2873)-Celtic11 (2421) Blitz 2024*; 17.Kb1 Qc7 18.Bc4 Red8 19.Qf2 Nf4 20.Bxe6 Nxe6 21.Be3 Nd4 22.c3 Ne6 23.g4 Rd5 24.c4 Rd7 25.Rxd7 Qxd7 26.Qe2 Nd4 27.Bxd4 exd4 28.Rd1 f5 29.Nc5 Qf7 30.Qe6 fxg4 31.fxg4 Re8 32.Qxf7+ Kxf7 33.Rf1+ Kg8 34.Rf2 Re5 35.b4 Re3 36.b5 cxb5 37.cxb5 Rc3 38.Rc2 Rg3 39.a4 Rxg4 40.Nd3 Rg1+ 41.Ka2 Rd1 42.Rc8+ Kf7 43.Nb2 Rd2 44.Kb3 d3 45.Nc4 Rc2 46.Rc7+ Kg8 47.Rc8+ Kh7 48.Rc6 Rc3+ 49.Kb4 Rc1 50.Kb3 g4 51.Nd2 Rxc6 52.bxc6 Be5 53.Kc4 g3 54.Kxd3 g2 55.Nf3 Bc7 56.Ke4 Bb6 57.Kd5 Kg7 58.Ke6 Kf8 59.Kd7 Kf7 60.c7 Bxc7 61.Kxc7 Kf6 62.Kb7 Kf5 63.Nh4+ Kg5 64.Nxg2 Kxh5 65.Kxa7 Kg4 66.Kb6 h5 67.a5 Kg3 68.a6 Kxg2 69.a7 h4 70.a8Q+ Kg3 71.Qh1 h3 72.Kc5 h2 73.Kd4* 1-0 (73) Ilqar (2838)-Percasisumut (2615) Blitz 2023 *)*

C4f1531) 17...Qc7
18.Bd6 Qb6
(18...Qd7 19.Ba3 Qc7 20.cxd5 cxd5+ 21.Nc5 Bf8 22.Qc3 Rec8 23.Ba6 Qb6 24.Bxc8 Rxc8 25.Kb1 d4 26.Qb4 Bxc5 27.Qxb6 Bxb6 28.Rc1 Bf5+ 29.Ka1 Bc2 30.Bb4 d3 31.Bd2 f5

32.Rhe1 Bd4 33.g4 fxg4 34.fxg4 Kf7 35.Re4 Ke6 36.Rxd4 exd4 37.Rf1 Kd5 38.b3 Re8 39.Rf5+ Ke4 40.Kb2 Bd1 41.Rf6 Bxg4 42.Rxh6 Rc8 43.Bxg5 Rc2+ 44.Kb1 Rh2 45.Rh7 d2 46.Bxd2 Rxd2 47.h6 Rh2 48.Rxa7 Rxh6 49.a4 d3 50.Rc7 Ke3 51.Re7+ Kd4 52.Kb2 Rc6 53.Rg7 Bf5 54.Rg8 d2 55.Rd8+ Ke3 56.b4 Bd3 57.Kb3 d1Q+ 58.Kb2 Rc2+ 59.Ka3 Qa1+ 60.Kb3 Qa2#
0-1 (60) Vistagausta (2866)-Destroyer7777777 (2799) Blitz 2023;
18...Qc8 19.Ba3 Rd8 20.cxd5 cxd5+ 21.Nc5 Bf8 22.Qa5 Bf5 23.Ba6 Qb8 24.g4 Bh7 25.Bd3 e4 26.fxe4 dxe4 27.Bc2 Qf4+ 28.Kb1 Rxd1+ 29.Rxd1 Qxg4 30.Nd7 Bg7 31.Qd5 Re8 32.Rf1 Qxh5 33.Bc5 e3 34.Bxh7+ Kxh7 35.Qd3+ Qg6 36.Qxg6+ Kxg6 37.Re1 Rd8 38.Bxa7 Rxd7 39.Bxe3 Rb7 40.b3 f5 41.Kc2 f4 42.Bd2 Rc7+ 43.Kd3 Rd7+ 44.Kc2 f3 45.a4 g4 46.Be3 Rc7+ 47.Kd3 Rd7+ 48.Ke4 Re7+ 49.Kf4 h5 50.a5 Bh6+ 51.Kg3 Rxe3 52.Rd1 Rxb3 53.Rd6+ Kg7
0-1 (53) Vistagausta (2864)-Wuzhaobing (2683) Blitz 2023)
19.Kb1 Red8 20.Bc5 Qc7 21.cxd5 cxd5 22.Nxg5 hxg5 23.h6 Bf6 24.Be3 Bf5+ 25.Bd3 Bxd3+ 26.Qxd3 Rab8 27.b3 e4 28.fxe4 dxe4 29.Qc2 Qe5
0-1 (29) Vistagausta (2871)-Quick Mate (2680) Blitz 2021;
C4f1532) 17...Nf6 18.Qxd8 Rexd8 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Be2 Nd7 21.Rd1 f5 22.Nc3 Ra8 23.Bg1 Bf8 24.g4 Nf6 25.Bh2 e4 26.gxf5 Bxf5 27.Be5 Nd7 28.fxe4 Be6 29.Bd6 Bg7 30.Na4 a5 31.b3 Nf6 32.Nc5 Bf7 33.e5 Nxh5 34.e6 Bg6 35.e7 Nf6 36.Bf3 Rc8 37.Be5 g4 38.Rd8+

1-0 (38) Vistagausta (2817)-Smurf42 (2707) Blitz 2020;

C4f1533) 17...Nf4 18.g4 Qxd2+ 19.Rxd2 f5 *(19...Red8 20.Rhh2 f5 21.gxf5 Bxf5 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Rd2 Rxd2 24.Kxd2 Bxe4 25.fxe4 a6 26.b4 Bf8 27.Bxf8 Kxf8 28.c5 g4 29.Bxa6 g3 30.Ke3 Ke7 31.a4 Kd7 32.Kf3 Nxh5 33.b5 Nf6 34.Bb7 cxb5 35.axb5 Kc7 36.Bd5 Nxd5 37.exd5 h5 38.Kxg3 Kc8 39.d6 Kd7 40.b6 Kc6 41.Kf3 h4 42.Kg4 e4 43.Kxh4 e3 44.Kg3 e2 45.Kf2 e1Q+ 46.Kxe1* 1-0 (46) Vistagausta (2953)-Saqochess (2666) Blitz 2022*)* 20.gxf5 Bxf5 21.Nd6 Rf8 22.Nxf5 Rxf5 23.b4 a5 24.bxa5 e4 25.Bb6 exf3 26.c5 Bc3 27.Bc4+ Kh8 28.Rd6 Bxa5 29.Rxh6+ Kg7 30.Rxc6 Bxb6 31.cxb6 Rb8 32.h6+ Kh8 33.b7 Rff8 34.Ba6 g4 35.Rc8 g3 36.Rc2 f2 37.Rf1 g2 38.Rcxf2 gxf1Q+ 39.Rxf1 Nd5 40.Rxf8+ Rxf8 41.Bc4 Nb4 42.a3 Nc6 43.Bd5 Na5 44.Kd2 Rb8 0-1 (44) Vistagausta (2967)-Saqochess (2651) Blitz 2022;

C4f2) 15.Kb1

C4f21) 15...Qc7 16.h4 h5 *(16...h6 17.g4 Red8 18.Qc1 Rab8 19.Ka1 f5 20.gxf5 gxf5 21.Ng3 e4 22.Nh5 Bxb2+ 23.Qxb2 Rxb2 24.Kxb2 Qa5* 0-1 (24) Emeraldqueenie (2829)-Loin Sn (2759) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Ng5 Red8 18.Nxe6 Nc3+ 19.bxc3 Qb7+ 20.Kc1 Rxd2 21.Rxd2 fxe6 22.Bc4 Bh6 23.Rhd1 Rb8 24.Bxe6+ Kg7 25.Bb3 Rd8 26.g3 Bxd2+ 27.Rxd2 Rxd2 28.Kxd2 Qd7+ 29.Ke3 a5 30.a4 Qd1 31.Ke4 Kf6 32.Be3 Qe2 33.c4 c5 34.f4 Qg2+ 35.Kd3 Qxg3 36.fxe5+ Qxe5 37.c3 Kf5 38.Bc2 Kg4 39.Bg5 Qf5+ 40.Kd2 Qf2+ 41.Kd3 Qf1+ 42.Kd2 Qxc4 43.Bxg6 Qxa4 44.Bc2 Qd7+ 45.Kc1 Qf7 46.Bd1+ Kg3 47.Kb2 Qb7+ 48.Ka3 Qb1 49.Bxh5 c4 50.Ka4 Qb3+ 51.Kxa5 Qxc3+ 52.Kb5 Qb3+ 53.Kc5 c3 54.Bg6 Qe6 55.Bc2 Qe2 56.Bb3 Qb2

57.Kc4 c2 58.Bxc2 Qxc2+ 59.Kd5 Kf3 60.Ke5 Qe4+ 61.Kf6 Kg4 62.Kg7 Kh5 63.Kf6 Kg4 64.Kg7 Qc6 65.Kf7 Kf5 66.Ke7 Qe6+ 67.Kd8 Qf7 68.h5 Ke6 69.Kc8 Qd7+ 70.Kb8 Kd6 71.Ka8 Kc6 72.h6 Qb7# 0-1 (72) Bryce Loski (2863)-Sanjaypune (2681) Blitz 2023;

C4f22) 15...Rb8 16.Bc4 h6 17.Bb3 a5 18.Rhe1 f5 19.Nd6 a4 20.Bxa4 e4 21.Bb3 e3 22.Rxe3 Nxe3 23.Qxe3 Bxb3 24.Qxe8+ Qxe8 25.Nxe8 Bxa2+ 26.Kxa2 Rxb2+ 27.Ka3 Rxc2 28.Nxg7 Rxc5 29.Ne6 Rc2 30.Rg1 Kf7 31.Kb3 Rf2 32.Nc5 g5 33.Kc3 Kf6 34.Nd3 Ra2 35.Nb2 g4 36.fxg4 fxg4 37.Rf1+ Kg5 38.Rf8 h5 39.Rf2 h4 40.Nd3 Ra4 41.Ne5 g3 42.hxg3 hxg3 43.Re2 Kf4 44.Nxc6 Ra1 45.Nb4 Rf1 46.Kd4 Kg4 47.Nd3 Rf8 48.Re4+ Kg5 49.Ke3 Rf1 50.Re5+ Kg4 51.Re8 Rf7 52.Ne5+ 1-0 (52) Wollongong2021 (3018)-Donatella1954 (2839) Blitz 2022]

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[Chris Ward: 'And after Gawain dabbling in' 13...Qc7 Chris Ward: 'this month, we're back to what has basically become the main line.'

A) 14.Bc4

A1) 14...Nb6 15.Bd3 Nd5 *(15...Rb8 16.Rhe1 Qxh2 17.Qe3 Qh4 18.Qxe7 Qh6+ 19.Rd2 Be6 20.Qxa7 Rfd8 21.Ne4 Bc4 22.Kb1 Bd5 23.Red1 Qf4 24.Qa5 Re8 25.b3 Bxe4 26.fxe4 Qe3 27.Ba6 h5 28.Rd4 Rxe4 29.R4d3 Re5 30.Qb4 Qg5 31.Qd6 Rbe8 32.Qxc6 R8e6 33.Qb7 Re1 34.a4 Kg7 35.Bb5 h4 36.Ka2 R1e2 37.Rf3 Rxc2+ 38.Kb1 Qxg2 39.Rxf7+ Kh6 40.Rh7+ Kg5 41.Qg7 Kg4 42.Rh6 Kg5 43.Rh8 Kg4 44.Re8 Rxe8 45.Qxg6+ Kh3 46.Rd3+ Kh2 47.Qd6+ Kg1 48.Rd1+ Re1 49.Rxe1+ Kf2 50.Qd1 Nc4 51.Qxc2+ Kg3 52.Qxg2+ Kxg2 53.bxc4 h3 54.a5 h2 55.a6 Kf2 56.Rd1 Ke2 57.Kc2 Ke3 58.a7 h1Q 59.Rxh1 Kd4 60.a8Q Ke5 61.Rf1* 1-0 (61) Integralbot

(2895)-Crazyara (2690) Blitz 2024 *)* 16.Nxd5 cxd5 17.h4 e5 18.Qxd5 Be6 19.Qe4 Bxa2 20.Rhe1 Rae8 *(20...f6 21.h5 g5 22.g3 Kh8 23.Qa4 Be6 24.Qa6 Qf7 25.Be4 Rab8 26.Rd6 Rfe8 27.g4 Qe7 28.Red1 Qf7 29.h6 Re7 30.Rd8+ Re8 31.Rxb8 Rxb8 32.Rd6 Re8 33.b3 Qe7 34.Qc6 Qf7 35.Kb2 Qe7 36.Bf5 Bg8 37.Rd7 Qf8 38.Rxa7 Re7 39.Rxe7 Qxe7 40.Qa8 Qd6 41.Bd3 Qd4+ 42.Ka2 Qd5 43.Qb8 Qf7 44.Bc4 Qg6 45.Kb1 e4 46.Qd8 exf3 47.Bxg8 Qxg8 48.Qxf6+ Qg7 49.Qxg7#* 1-0 (49) Solidor59 (2929)-Pseudo (2428) Blitz 2024 *)* 21.h5 Re7 22.Qa4 Be6 23.Qh4 Ba2 24.f4 Bd5 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Bxg6 Rxf4 27.Qg5 hxg6 28.Rxd5 Kg7 29.Rh1 Rf2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qc4 32.Qh6+ Kf7 33.Qh7+ Kf6 34.Qh8+ Kg5 35.Qh6+ Kf6 36.Qf8+ Ke6 37.Qg8+ Rf7 38.Qxg6+ Ke7 39.Rd1 Qe6 40.Qd3 Qh6+ 41.Kb1 Kf8 42.Qa3+ Kg8 43.Qg3+ Qg7 44.Rd8+ Rf8 45.Qxg7+ Kxg7 46.Rxf8 Kxf8 47.Kc1 e4 48.Kd2 a5 49.Ke3 Ke7 50.Kxe4 Ke6 51.b3 Kf6 52.c3 Ke6 53.c4 Kd6 54.Kd4 Ke6 55.c5 Kd7 56.g3 Ke6 57.g4 Kf6 58.Ke4 Ke6 59.g5 a4 60.bxa4 Ke7 61.g6 Kf6 62.c6 Kxg6 63.c7 Kf6 64.c8Q Kf7 65.Kf5 Ke7 66.Qc7+ Kf8 67.Kf6 Ke8 68.Qc8# 1-0 (68) Solidor59 (2935)-Pseudo (2431) Blitz 2024;

A2) 14...Be6 15.Bxd5 cxd5 16.Nxd5 Bxd5 17.Qxd5 Rab8 *(17...Rad8 18.Qg5 Rxd1+ 19.Rxd1 Qxh2 20.b3 h6 21.Qd2 h5 22.Kb2 Rc8 23.Qd7 Qe5+ 24.Qd4 Qg5 25.Rd2 a5 26.f4 Qf5 27.c4 Kh7 28.Rc2 Qe6 29.c5 Qc6 30.Qe5 Rc7 31.Qc3 Ra7 32.Qf3 Qf6+ 33.Ka3 Qf5 34.Rc3 e5 35.fxe5 Qxe5 36.Qe3 Qb8 37.c6 Qb4+ 38.Kb2 Re7 39.a3 Qh4 40.Qxe7 Qxe7 41.c7 a4 42.c8Q axb3 43.Qc4 Kg8 44.a4 Kg7 45.Qd5 Qb4 46.Rc7 Qf4 47.Qc4 Qf5 48.a5 Kh6 49.a6 Qf2+ 50.Kxb3 Qe3+ 51.Ka4 Qe8+ 52.Qc6 Qe2 53.Qc1+ Kh7 54.Qc4 Qe8+ 55.Qc6 Qe3 56.Rxf7+ Kh6 57.Qc4 Qe8+ 58.Kb4 Qb8+ 59.Ka3 Qg3+ 60.Ka4 Qe3 61.Qf4+ Qxf4+ 62.Rxf4 Kg5 63.Rf8 Kh4 64.a7 Kg5 65.a8Q h4 66.Qd5+ Kh6 67.Qe5 g5 68.Qh8+ Kg6 69.Rf6#* 1-0 (69) Integralbot (2927)-Pawn Git (2710) Blitz 2024*)* 18.Kb1 Rfc8 19.Qd3 a5 20.Rhe1 Qxh2 21.Rd2 Rd8 22.Qe3 Qc7 23.b3 a4 24.Qg5 a3 25.Red1 f6 26.Qe3 e5 27.Rd5 Rxd5 28.Rxd5 Rd8 29.Qd3 Rxd5 30.Qxd5+ Qf7 31.c4 Kg7 32.b4 h5 33.b5 Qa7 34.Kc2 Qf2+ 35.Qd2 Qf1 36.Kb3 f5 37.Kxa3 Qxc4 38.Qb2 Kf6 39.Qb3 Qc5+ 40.Kb2 Qf2+ 41.Ka3 Qc5+ 42.Qb4 Qc1+ 43.Ka4 Qc2+ 44.Qb3 Qc8 45.Ka5 Qa8+ 46.Kb4 Qf8+ 47.Kc4 Qc8+ 48.Kd5 Qd7+ 49.Kc5 Qc7+ 50.Kb4 Qd6+ 51.Ka4 Qd4+

52.Qb4 Qa7+ 53.Kb3 Qe3+ 54.Qc3 Qb6 55.Kc4 g5 56.Kb4 g4 57.a4 h4 58.f4 Qd6+ 59.Ka5 Qd8+ 60.b6 Qa8+ 61.Kb5 Qd5+ 62.Qc5 Qxc5+ 63.Kxc5 h3 64.fxe5+ Ke6 65.gxh3 g3 66.b7 g2 67.b8Q g1Q+ 68.Kc6 Qc1+ 69.Kb7 Qb2+ 70.Kc8 Qxb8+ 71.Kxb8 f4 72.a5 f3 73.a6 f2 74.a7 f1Q 75.a8Q Qb5+ 76.Qb7 Qxe5+ 77.Qc7 Qxc7+ 78.Kxc7 Kf6 79.h4 Kf5 80.h5 Kg5 81.h6 Kg6 82.h7 Kg7 83.h8Q+ Kxh8 ½-½ (83) Realmadrid2007 (2984)-Theprodigco (2716) Rapid 2025;

B) 14.h4 Bf5 15.g4

B1) 15...e5 16.Qc5 Nxc3 17.Qxc3 Be6 18.h5 Rad8 19.Be2 c5 20.f4 Rd4 21.Rhf1 Rfd8 *(21...Bd5 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.f5 Qe7 24.Qe3 Bg2 25.Rf2 Rxd1+ 26.Kxd1 Bc6 27.Bc4+ Kh8 28.Be6 e4 29.Kc1 Rd8 30.a3 gxf5 31.gxf5 Qg7 32.Rf1 Qd4 33.Qg5 Rb8 34.c3 Qg7 35.Qf4 Rf8 36.f6 Qg2 37.f7 Qg7 38.Qe3 Bd7 39.Bxd7 Rxf7 40.Rxf7 Qxf7 41.Qxc5 Qf4+ 42.Kc2 e3 43.Qd4+ Qxd4 44.cxd4 e2 45.Kd2 e1Q+ 46.Kxe1 Kg7 47.Ke2 Kf6 48.Kd3 h5 49.Ke4 Ke7 50.Bh3 Kd6 51.d5 a5 52.a4 h4 53.Kd4 Ke7 54.Ke5 Kf7 55.d6 Ke8 56.Kf6 Kd8 57.d7 Kc7 58.Ke7 Kc6 59.d8Q Kb7 60.Qxa5 Kb8 61.Qb6+ Ka8 62.Bg2# Normal 1-0 (62) Proteussfx Ai (3146)-Pseudo (2428) Rapid 2024; 21...Kh8 22.f5 gxf5 23.gxf5 Bd5 24.Rg1 f6 25.h6 Rg8 26.b3 Re8 27.Kb2 Re7 28.Qe3 a5 29.c3 Rxd1 30.Rxd1 Bg8 31.Qg3 c4 32.Qh4 Qb6 33.Bxc4 Bxc4 34.Qxc4 Re8 35.Qf7 Rg8 36.Rd2 a4 37.b4 Qc6 38.Qe7 Qb6 39.Ka3 Qc6 40.Rd3 e4 41.b5 Qb6 42.Rd7 Qc5+ 43.Qxc5 Rg3 44.Qf8+ Rg8 45.Qxf6+ Rg7 46.Qxg7# Normal 1-0 (46) Proteussfx Ai (3144)-Pseudo (2452) Rapid 2024)* 22.f5 Rxd1+ 23.Bxd1 Bd5 24.Qe3 Bg2 25.Rf2 Qd6 26.Be2 Be4 27.hxg6 fxg6 28.Qg5 Rd7 29.Rf1 Bd5 30.fxg6 Qxg6 31.Qxe5 Qd6 32.Qxd6 Rxd6 33.Rf5 Kg7 34.c4 Be4 35.Rxc5 Kf6 36.Ra5 Rd7 37.b3 Ke6 38.b4 Bd3 39.Bxd3 Rxd3 40.Rxa7 Rc3+ 41.Kb2 Rxc4 42.Kb3 Rxg4 43.Rxh7 Rg3+ 44.Ka4 Kd5 45.b5 Kc5 46.Rh6 Rg2 47.Rc6+ Kd5 48.Rc8 Rxa2+ 49.Kb4 Ra7 50.b6 Ra1 51.Kb5 Rb1+ 52.Ka6 Kd6 53.b7 Ra1+ 54.Kb6 Rb1+ 55.Ka7 Ra1+ 56.Kb8 Kd7 57.Rc5 Ra4 58.Rd5+ Ke6 59.Kc8 Rc4+ 60.Kd8 Kxd5 61.b8Q Re4 62.Kd7 Re3 63.Qd6+ Ke4 64.Ke6 Kf3+ 65.Kf5 Ke2 66.Qd4 Kf3 67.Qd2 Re8 68.Qd5+ Kg3 69.Qd6+ Kf2 70.Kf4 Re2 71.Qd1 Re8 72.Qd4+ Ke2 73.Qd6 Kf2 74.Qc5+ Ke1 75.Kf3 Kd2 76.Qd5+ Ke1 77.Qa5+ Kd1 78.Qa4+ Kc1 79.Qxe8 Kb2 80.Qa4 Kc3 81.Ke2 Kb2 82.Kd2 Kb1 83.Kc3 Kc1 84.Qa1# Normal 1-0 (84)

Proteussfx Ai (3152)-Pseudo (2451) Rapid 2024;
B2) 15...Nxc3 16.Qxc3 Be6 17.h5 Qf4+ 18.Kb1 Rad8 19.Be2 Rxd1+ 20.Rxd1 Bd5 21.Qc5 Qe5 22.Bc4 e6 23.Bxd5 cxd5 24.Qxa7 Qe2 25.Qd4 Qxf3 26.h6 f6 27.Re1 e5 28.Qa7 Rf7 29.Qb8+ Rf8 30.Qc7 Rf7 31.Qd8+ Rf8 32.Qd7 Rf7 33.Qd8+ Rf8 34.Qd7 Rf7 35.Qc8+ Rf8 36.Qe6+ Rf7 37.Qe8+ Rf8 38.Qe6+ Rf7 39.a4 Qh3 40.Qxd5 Qxh6 41.Re4 Kg7 42.b4 Qh3 43.b5 Qg2 44.Kb2 Rc7 45.Qd3 Rb7 46.Rb4 Qf2 47.Qd6 Qf1 48.b6 Qa6 49.Qc6 Rf7 50.Qd5 Rb7 51.a5 Qa8 52.Qb5 Rb8 53.b7 Qa7 54.a6 Kh6 55.Qb6 Qxb6 56.Rxb6 e4 57.a7 Rxb7 58.Rxb7 Kg5 59.a8Q Kxg4 60.Rxh7 Kg3 61.Qxe4 f5 62.Qe3+ Kg4 63.Rh2 f4 64.Qe6+ Kg5 65.Rg2+ Kh6 66.Qxg6# Normal 1-0 (66) Proteussfx Ai (3164)-Pseudo (2428) Rapid 2024]

[13...Be6 14.Bc4 Qa5 15.Ne4 Nf4 16.Nf6+ exf6 17.Qxf4 Bxc4 18.Qxc4 Qg5+ 19.Rd2 1-0 (19) N,N (2931)-Tonyw05 (2483) Rapid 2024]

14.Na4

[14.Bc4 Be6 15.Rhe1 Qxd4 16.Rxd4 Nxc3 17.bxc3 Bxc4 18.Rxc4 e6 19.Re5 Rfd8 20.Rxc6 Rd7 21.a4 Rad8 22.Ra6 Rd1+ 23.Kb2 R1d2 24.Rg5 R8d7 25.c4 h6 26.Rg4 h5 27.Rg5 Rf2 28.Kb3 Rdd2 29.Rxa7 Rxc2 30.Kb4 h4 31.h3 Kg7 32.a5 Rc1 33.Rg4 e5 34.Kc5 Rfc2 35.a6 Kf6 36.Rb7 Ra1 37.a7 Rca2 38.Rxh4 Rxa7 39.Rxa7 Rxa7 40.Kb6 Ra2 41.Rg4 Ke6 42.Kc6 Rc2 43.c5 Kf5 44.Kd6 Rd2+ 45.Kc7 f6 46.c6 g5 47.Kb7 Ke6 48.c7 Rb2+ 49.Kc8 Rc2 50.Ra4 Rxg2 51.Kd8 Rd2+ 52.Ke8 Rc2 53.Ra6+ Kf5 54.Kd7 Rd2+ 55.Rd6 Rc2 56.Rc6 Rd2+ 57.Ke7 1-0 (57) Mrbochwalt (2963)-Lyaguwka Kvakuwka (2737) Blitz 2021]

[14.Nxd5 cxd5 15.Qxb6 axb6 16.a3 Bb7 17.h4 *(17.Rd4 Rfd8 18.Rb4 Rd6 19.h4 e5 20.h5 g5 21.h6 f5 22.Rh5 Rg6 23.c4 Rc8 24.Kd2 d4 25.Rb5 Rc5 26.b4 Rxb5 27.cxb5 Bd5 28.a4 e4 29.a5 Kf7 30.a6 Kf6 31.g4 Rg8 32.gxf5 e3+ 33.Kd3 Bxf3 34.Rh2 Ke5 35.Bg2 g4 36.f6 Rc8 37.Bxf3 gxf3 38.Rh5+ Kxf6 39.a7 f2 40.Rh1 Ke5 41.Ra1 Kf4 42.Ke2 Ke4 43.a8Q+ Rxa8 44.Rxa8 d3+ 45.Kf1 d2 46.Rd8 Kf3 47.Rf8+ Ke4 48.Ke2 Kd4 49.Rd8+ Ke4 50.Rf8 Kd4 51.Rd8+ Kc4 52.Rd7 Kb3 53.Rd4 Kc2 54.Rc4+ Kb3 55.Rd4 Kc3 56.Rd3+ Kc2 57.Rd4 f1Q+ 58.Kxf1 d1Q+* 0-1 (58) Kelevra317 (2850)-Biranidun (2705) Blitz 2019*; 17.Bb5 Rfc8 18.Rhe1 e6 19.Rd4 Rc5 20.Rb4 Ba6 21.Bxa6 Rxa6 22.Re3 Kf8 23.Reb3 Rc6 24.Kd2 Ke7 25.Kd3 Kd6 26.c4 Ra5 27.h4 h5 28.cxd5 Rxd5+ 29.Ke3 Kc7 30.g4 Re5+ 31.Kf4 Rec5 32.Rb5 Rc4+ 33.Kg5 hxg4 34.fxg4 f6+ 35.Kxf6 Rxg4 36.R3b4 e5+ 37.Kxe5 Rg2 38.Kf4 Rf2+ 39.Kg5 Rg2+ 40.Rg4 Re2 41.Kh6 Rh2 42.Rbb4 g5+ 43.Kxg5 Kb7 44.Rb5 Rd2 45.a4 Ka6 46.b3 Rd8 47.h5 Rc1 48.Rgb4 Rg8+ 49.Kh6 Rc6+ 50.Kh7 Rd8 51.Rg5 Rdd6 52.Rg6 Rd7+ 53.Kh6 Rcc7 54.Rbxb6+ Ka5*

55.Rb5# 1-0 (55) Zrivencx (2845)-Muisback (3057) Blitz 2024*)* 17...e5 18.h5 Kg7 19.Rh4 d4 20.Bd3 f5 21.Rdh1 Kf6 22.hxg6 hxg6 23.Rh7 Bd5 24.Rd7 Rad8 25.Ra7 Ra8 26.Rd7 Rad8 27.Ra7 Ra8 28.Rc7 Rac8 29.Rhh7 e4 30.fxe4 fxe4 31.Ba6 Rxc7 32.Rxc7 Ke5 33.Re7+ Kd6 34.Rg7 Rf6 35.g4 Bf7 36.g5 Rf2 37.b4 Ke5 38.a4 d3 39.cxd3 e3 40.d4+ Kxd4 41.a5 bxa5 42.bxa5 Kc3 43.Bb5 e2 44.Bxe2 Rxe2 45.Kd1 Re7 46.Rxf7 Rxf7 47.Ke2 Ra7 48.Ke3 Rxa5 49.Kf4 Rf5+ 50.Kg4 Kd4 51.Kg3 Ke4 52.Kg4 Ke5 53.Kg3 Rxg5+ 54.Kf3 Rf5+ 55.Ke3 Kf6 56.Ke2 g5 0-1 (56) Kelevra317 (2892)-Hungzhao (2684) Blitz 2021]

[14.Ne4 Rb8 *(14...Bf5 15.Qxb6 axb6 16.a3 Rfd8 17.Re1 Kg7 18.g3 Ra4 19.Bd3 c5 20.Bb5 Ra5 21.Bd3 Ra4 22.Bb5 Raa8 23.Re2 Nc7 24.Bd3 Ne6 25.Rd1 Nd4 26.Rf2 Rac8 27.g4 Be6 28.c3 Nc6 29.Bc2 Ne5 30.h3 Rxd1+ 31.Kxd1 Rd8+ 32.Kc1 Bd5 33.Rd2 Nxf3 34.Rd1 Ne5 35.a4 e6 36.a5 bxa5 37.Nxc5 Rc8 38.Nd3 Nc4 39.Nf4 Bc6 40.Rd4 Ne3 41.Rd6 Kf6 42.Nd3 Nc4 43.Rd4 Bd5 44.Rf4+ Ke7 45.g5 h6 46.h4 hxg5 47.hxg5 Rh8 48.Rf1 Rh2 49.Re1 Rg2 50.b3 Nd6 51.c4 Be4 52.c5 Bxd3 53.cxd6+ Kxd6 54.Bxd3 Rxg5 55.Kc2 Rc5+ 56.Kd2 g5 57.Ra1 f5 58.Ke3 g4 59.Kf4 Rd5 60.Bc4 Rd4+ 61.Ke3 Re4+ 62.Kf2 Re5 63.Rd1+ Ke7 64.Re1 Rxe1 65.Kxe1 e5 66.Kf2 Kf6 67.Kg3 Kg5 68.Kf2 f4 69.Bd5 Kf5 70.Ke2 e4 71.Kf2 Ke5 72.Ba8 Kd4 73.Ke2 f3+ 74.Kf2 e3+ 75.Kg3 e2 76.Kf2 Kc3 77.Ke1 Kxb3 78.Bd5+ Kc3 79.Be6 Kd4 80.Bxg4 Ke3 81.Bxf3 Kxf3* 0-1 (81) Elektromagnit (2817)-Neslracsungam77 (3007) Blitz 2021*; 14...Ne3 15.Rd2 Bf5 16.Nc5 Nxf1 17.Rxf1 Rfd8 18.Qc3 Rxd2 19.Kxd2 Rd8+ 20.Kc1 Rd5 21.b4 a5 22.a3 axb4 23.axb4 Qb8 24.Re1 Qf4+ 25.Kb2 Rd4 26.Rxe7 Rxb4+ 27.Nb3 Rb8 28.Qf6 Qc4 29.Qc3 Qf1 30.g4 Be6 31.Qe5 Qb5 32.Rxe6 fxe6 33.Qxe6+ Kg7 34.Qe7+ Kg8 35.Qe6+ Kg7 36.Qe7+ Kh8 37.Qf6+ Kg8 38.Qe6+ ½-½* (38) Elektromagnit (2810)-Neslracsungam77 (2969) Blitz 2021 *)* 15.Qxb6 axb6 16.c4 *(16.a3 f5 17.Ng5 h6 18.Nh3 e5 19.Bc4 Bb7 20.Rhe1 Rfe8 21.f4 e4 22.Ng1 Kg7 23.Bxd5 cxd5 24.Ne2 Kf6 25.g3 Rbd8 26.Rd4 g5 27.Kd2 e3+ 28.Kc1 Re4 29.Red1 Ba6 30.Nc3 Rxd4 31.Rxd4 gxf4 32.gxf4 Ke6 33.b3 Rg8 34.Rxd5 Rg1+ 35.Kb2 Re1 36.Re5+ Kd7 37.Rxf5 e2 38.Re5 Kd6 39.a4 h5 40.h4 Kc6 41.Re6+ Kd7 42.Re5 Kd6 43.Nb5+ Bxb5 44.axb5 Rf1 45.Rxe2 Rxf4 46.c4 Rxh4 47.Kc3 Rh1 48.Rg2 h4 49.Rg6+ Kc7 50.Rc6+ Kb7 51.Rh6 h3 52.Rh7+ Kc8 53.Kb2 h2 54.b4 Kd8 55.c5 Kc8 56.Rh6 Kb8 57.Rxb6+* 1-0 (57) Elektromagnit (2822)-Samarqand2021 (2921) Blitz 2022 *)* 16...Nc7 *(16...Ne3 17.Re1 Nxf1 18.Rhxf1 Rd8 19.b3 f6 20.Re2 Kf7 21.Rfe1 Rb7 22.Kb2 g5 23.h4 g4 24.f4 Rd3 25.a4 Bf5 26.Nc3 Rbd7 27.Nb1 e6 28.Na3 Rg3 29.Ka2 Rdd3 30.Rb2 Rc3 31.Rd1 Be4 32.Rdd2 Kg6 33.c5 Rxc5 34.Nc4 b5 35.Nd6 Bd5 36.a5 b4 37.Nb7 Rb5 38.a6 Rb6 39.Nc5 Rb5 40.Rbc2 Rc3 41.Nb7 Bxb3+ 42.Kb2*

Bxc2 43.a7 Ra3 44.Nd6 Rc5 45.Nb7 Rcc3 46.Nd8 Rxa7 47.Nxe6 Bf5 48.Nd4 Rca3 49.Rd1 Ra2+ 50.Kb3 c5 51.h5+ Kxh5 52.Nxf5 R7a3+ 53.Kc4 Rc3+ 54.Kb5 Rxg2 55.Rh1+ Rh3 56.Ne7 Rxh1 0-1 (56) Elektromagnit (2847)-Lu,S (2916) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Bd3 f5 18.Nc3 Kf7 19.Rhe1 Kf6 20.f4 Rd8 21.Be2 Be6 22.b3 Rxd1+ 23.Kxd1 g5 24.fxg5+ Kxg5 25.Bf3 c5 26.Nb5 Nxb5 27.cxb5 Kf6 28.Kc2 Bf7 29.a4 e5 30.Bc6 e4 31.g3 Ke5 32.Kc3 h5 33.b4 cxb4+ 34.Kxb4 h4 35.a5 bxa5+ 36.Kxa5 hxg3 37.hxg3 Be8 38.Ka6 Bxc6 39.bxc6 f4 40.c7 Rc8 41.gxf4+ Kxf4 42.Kb7 Re8 43.Rd1 e3 ½-½ (43) Elektromagnit (2886)-Timofeevar (2794) Blitz 2022]

14...Qc7 So this month I'm featuring two games involving metal monsters that really add their weight to this still fashionable variation. Yes rated above 3600, both the mighty Stockfish and LC Zero variants have their say from both a white and black perspective.

[14...Qa5 15.b3 *(15.Kb1 Be6 16.Nc5 Rfd8 17.Nxe6 Nc3+ 18.bxc3 Rab8+ 19.Kc1 Qa3+ 20.Kd2 fxe6 21.Bd3 Rxd4 22.cxd4 Qxa2 23.Ra1 Qd5 24.Rxa7 Qxd4 25.Ra6 Qf2+ 26.Kc3 Qxg2 27.Re1 Qxh2 28.Rxe6 Qf4 29.Re4 Qxf3 30.Rxc6 Rb7 31.Rce6 Rc7+ 32.Kd2 Qf2+ 33.Re2 Qf4+ 34.R2e3 Kf7 35.R6e4 Qg5 36.Ke2 Qg2+ 37.Kd1 Ra7 38.Be2 h5 39.Rf3+ Kg7 40.Rfe3 Qg5 41.Re5 Qf6 42.Re6 Qd4+ 43.Bd3 Ra1+ 44.Ke2 Qg4+ 45.Kd2 Ra7 46.R3e4 Qg5+ 47.Re3 h4 48.R6e5 Qg2+ 49.Re2 Qg3 50.R2e3 Qf4 51.R5e4 Qg5 52.Re5 Qh6 53.Re6 Kf7 54.Ke2 Qg5 55.Kd2 h3 56.Rxg6 Qf4 57.Rge6 Qf2+ 58.Re2 Qf4+ 59.R6e3 h2 60.Be4 Rd7+ 61.Kc3 Qc7+ 62.Kb2 Qe5+ 63.Kc1 Qa1#* Normal 0-1 (63) Kostik Mostik (2878)-Nozdrachev,V (2805) Blitz 2024 *)*

A) 15...Be6

A1) 16.Qe5 Qb4 *(16...Bf5 17.c4 Rac8 18.g4 f6 19.Qe1 Nb4* 1-0 (19) Vistagausta (2881)-Hungzhao (2713) Blitz 2021*)* 17.Kb2 *(17.c4 Rac8 18.cxd5 cxd5+ 19.Kb2 Bf5 20.Bd3 f6 21.Qxd5+ e6 22.Qb5 Qd4+ 23.Kb1 Rfd8 24.Bxf5 Qxd1+ 25.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 26.Kb2 Rd2+ 27.Ka3 gxf5 28.Qa6 Rcc2 29.Qxe6+ Kg7 30.Qxf5 Rxa2+ 31.Kb4 Rxg2 32.Nc5 a5+ 33.Kb5 Rab2 34.Kxa5 Rxh2 35.Ne4 Rh6 36.b4 Rg6 37.b5 h5 38.Qxh5 Rg1 39.Qf5 Ra1+ 40.Kb6 Rab1 41.Qxf6+ Kg8 42.Qg5+ Kf7 43.Kc6 Rc2+ 44.Kd7 Rd1+ 45.Nd6+ Kf8 46.Qf6+ Kg8 47.Qg6+ Kf8 48.Qxc2* 1-0 (48) Vistagausta (2880)-Hungzhao (2713) Blitz 2021 *)* 17...Rab8 *(17...Nb6 18.Nc5 Bd5 19.Qd4 Qa5 20.Nb7 c5 21.Qxd5 Qb4 22.Qe4 c4 23.Kb1 Na4 24.Qxc4 Nc3+ 25.Ka1 Qxc4 26.Bxc4 Nxd1 27.Rxd1 a5 28.a4 Ra7 29.Rd7 e6 30.Nc5 Raa8 31.Kb2 Rab8 32.Ra7 Rfc8 33.Rxa5 h5 34.Kc3 Rb6 35.Ne4 Kg7 36.h4 f5 37.Ra7+ Kf8 38.Ng5 e5 39.Rh7 Rc5 40.b4 Rcc6 41.b5 Rc5 42.Kb4 Rcc6 43.a5* 1-0 (43) Kivurawnuru (2855)-Daubon

(2775) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Rd4 Qa5 19.c4 c5 20.Nxc5 Qc3+ 21.Kb1 Bf5+ 22.Bd3 Nb4 23.Bxf5 Nc6 24.Rc1 Qxc1+ 25.Kxc1 Nxe5 26.Be4 Rfd8 27.Rxd8+ Rxd8 28.Kc2 e6 29.Nd3 Nxd3 30.Bxd3 f5 31.c5 e5 32.b4 Kf7 33.b5 Ke7 34.Kc3 Rd5 35.c6 Kd6 36.a4 Rc5+ 37.Kd2 Kc7 38.a5 Rd5 39.Ke3 Rd4 40.g3 Ra4 41.a6 f4+ 42.Kd2 Ra2+ 43.Kc3 Rxh2 44.gxf4 exf4 45.Kd4 g5 46.Ke5 h6 47.Kf5 Rd2 48.Be4 Rg2 49.Bd5 h5 50.Ke6 h4 51.b6+ Kxb6 52.Kd6 Rd2 53.c7 Rxd5+ 54.Kxd5 Kxc7 55.Ke4 h3 56.Kf5 h2 57.Kg4 h1Q 58.Kxg5 Qxf3 0-1 (58) Vistagausta (2924)-Daubon (2717) Blitz 2022;

A2) 16.Qc5 Qc7 17.g3 *(17.Bc4 Qe5 18.Qd4 Qg5+ 19.Rd2 Nf4 20.h4 Qh6 21.Kb1 Bxc4 22.Qxc4 e5 23.Nc5 Nd5 24.Ne4 Qf4 25.Qxc6 Nb4 26.Qf6 Qxf6 27.Nxf6+ Kg7 28.Ne4 a5 29.a3 Nc6 30.Rhd1 h5 31.Rd7 Nd4 32.Ng5 Kg8 33.f4 Nf5 34.fxe5 Nxh4 35.e6 fxe6 36.Nxe6 Rf6 37.Ng5 Nxg2 38.Rb7 Rf5 39.Ne4 Raf8 40.Rd6 Nf4 41.Rdd7 R8f7 42.Rb8+ Kg7 43.Rdd8 Rf8 44.Rxf8 Rxf8 45.Rb5 h4 46.Ng5 h3 47.Nf3 Nh5 48.Nh2 Rf2 49.Ng4 Rg2 50.Rb7+ Kf8 51.Ne5 h2* 0-1 (51) Nozdrachev, V (2903)-Daubon (2768) Blitz 2021 *)* 17...Rfd8 18.Bc4 *(18.Bd3 Nb6 19.Nc3 a5 20.a4 Rd7 21.Be4 Rd6 22.Rxd6 exd6 23.Nb5 Qe7 24.Qxb6 d5 25.Nc7 Rc8 26.Nxe6 dxe4 27.Nf4 g5 28.Nh5 exf3 29.Qd4 Rd8 30.Qg7#* 1-0 (30) Dmitrij Im (2868)-Kemelgallo (2662) Blitz 2021 *)* 18...Qe5 *(18...Rd6 19.Rhe1 Rad8 20.Rd3 Qd7 21.Qa5 Nc7 22.Nc5 Qc8 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.Bxe6 fxe6 25.Rde3 Qd7 26.Qe5 Kf7 27.Kb2 Rd2 28.Qxe6+ Qxe6 29.Rxe6 R8d7 30.R1e2 Rd1 31.Rxc6 R1d2 32.Rce6 Rd1 33.a4 Rf1 34.f4* 1-0 (34) Jurgensanchez97 (2815)-Applejuice95A52 (2657) Blitz 2022 *)* 19.Qd4 Qd6 *(19...Qxd4 20.Rxd4 Nb6 21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Nxb6 axb6 23.Bxe6 fxe6 24.Rd1 Rd5 25.a4 Kf8 26.Rxd5 exd5 27.f4 c5 28.c3 Ke8 29.b4 Kd7 30.Kc2 Kc6 31.Kd3 h5 32.h3 e6 33.g4 hxg4 34.hxg4 Kb7 35.Kc2 Ka6 36.Kb3 Kb7 37.a5 Ka6 38.Ka4 cxb4 39.cxb4 bxa5 40.bxa5 Ka7 41.Kb5 Kb7 42.Kc5 Ka6 43.Kb4 Kb7 44.Kb5 Ka7 45.Ka4 Ka6 46.Kb4 Kb7 47.Kc5 Ka6 48.Kb4* ½-½ (48) Kelevra317 (2840)-Chess Attack Juras (2607) Blitz 2019*)* 20.Nc5 Nb6 21.Qxd6 exd6 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Bxe6+ Kg7 24.Rhe1 d5 25.f4 Re8 26.Bh3 Kf6 27.Kd2 c5 28.Rxe8 Rxe8 29.Re1 Rd8 30.a4 d4 31.Re6+ Kf7 32.Rc6 c4 33.a5 c3+ 34.Kd3 Nd5 35.Be6+ 1-0 (35) Kelevra317 (2939)-Daubon (2737) Blitz 2022;

B) 15...Qc7

B1) 16.Re1 Rd8 17.h4 *(17.Qe5 Qa5 18.Bc4 Be6 19.h4 Qb4 20.h5 Qa3+ 21.Kb1*

Nb4 22.Qb2 Qxb2+ 23.Nxb2 Nd5 24.Nd3 Nc3+ 25.Kb2 Bxc4 26.Kxc3 Bxd3 27.cxd3 e6 28.Re4 Rd5 29.hxg6 hxg6 30.Ra4 a5 31.Rhh4 Rad8 32.Rhd4 Ra8 33.Rxd5 cxd5 34.Kd4 Kf8 35.b4 Ke7 36.Rxa5 Rxa5 37.bxa5 Kd6 38.f4 f6 39.a6 e5+ 40.fxe5+ fxe5+ 41.Kc3 Kc6 42.Kb4 Kb6 43.a7 Kxa7 44.Kc5 e4 45.dxe4 dxe4 46.Kd4 1-0 (46) Dmitrij Im (2877)-Samarqand2021 (2853) Blitz 2022 *)* 17...h5 18.Qe5 Qd6 19.Bc4 Nb6 20.Nxb6 axb6 21.Qxe7 Be6 22.Qxd6 Rxd6 23.Bxe6 fxe6 24.a4 Kf7 25.Re4 Kf6 26.Rhe1 Ra5 27.Rf4+ Rf5 28.Rb4 c5 29.Rbe4 Rfd5 30.R1e2 Rd1+ 31.Kb2 Rg1 32.g4 Rh1 33.g5+ Ke7 34.Rf4 Rd4 35.Rf6 1-0 (35) Loin Sn (2932)-Ebonylover (2819) Blitz 2025;

B2) 16.g3 Bf5 17.Bc4 Rfd8 18.Qc5 Qe5 19.Qd4 Qe3+ 20.Qd2 Qxf3 21.Nc5 Nc3 22.Qxd8+ Rxd8 23.Rxd8+ Kg7 24.Rf1 Qe3+ 25.Kb2 Qxc5 26.Kxc3 Qa5+ 0-1 (26) Mothandtheflame (2830)-Samarqand2021 (2891) Blitz 2022;

B3) 16.Bc4 Rd8 *(16...e5 17.Qc5 Nb6 18.Qd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 Nxa4 20.bxa4 Bf5 21.g4 Be6 22.Bxe6 fxe6 23.Rxe6 Rxf3 24.Rxe5 Ra3 25.Re4 Rxa2 26.Rhe1 Rb8 27.Re8+ Rxe8 28.Rxe8+ Kf7 29.Re4 Ra1+ 30.Kb2 Rh1 31.Rb4 Rxh2 32.Rb7+ Ke6 33.Rxa7 Rh4 34.a5 Rxg4 35.Rxh7 Ra4 36.Ra7 g5 37.Kb3 Ra1 38.Kb4 Rb1+ 39.Kc5 Rc1 40.c4 Kf6 41.Ra8 Kf7 42.a6 g4 43.Rd8 Ra1 44.Kb6 Ke6 45.a7 g3 46.a8Q* 1-0 (46) Vistagausta (2833)-Nozdrachev,V (2829) Blitz 2022 *)*

B3a) 17.Rhe1 Qxh2 18.g4 Be6 19.Rd2 Qh4 20.Qe5 Nf4 21.Bxe6 Nxe6 22.Rh2 Qf6 23.Qxf6 exf6 24.Reh1 Nf8 25.Nc5 Kg7 26.Re1 Rd5 27.Nd3 Ne6 28.Reh1 Rh8 29.a4 h5 30.Kb2 Nd4 31.gxh5 Rdxh5 32.Rxh5 Rxh5 33.Rf1 Rh2 34.Ne1 f5 35.Kc3 c5 36.a5 Nc6 37.Kc4 Nxa5+ 38.Kxc5 Rd2 39.b4 Nb7+ 40.Kc6 Nd8+ 41.Kb5 Ne6 42.c4 Rd1 43.c5 Rb1 44.Kc4 Kf6 45.Rg1 g5 46.f4 g4 47.Nf3 Rxg1 48.Nxg1 Nxf4 49.c6 Ke7 50.Kd4 Kd6 51.b5 Ne6+ 52.Kc4 f4 53.Ne2 f3 54.Nc3 f5 55.Kd3 g3 56.Ke3 g2 57.Kf2 Nf4 0-1 (57) May6Enexttime (2930)-Muisback (2957) Blitz 2021;

B3b) 17.h4 Be6 18.Nc5 Bf5 *(18...Nf4 19.Nxe6 Nxe6 20.Qc3 Qf4+ 21.Kb1 Nc7 22.h5 Nd5 23.Bxd5 cxd5 24.hxg6 fxg6 25.Rhe1 Qf7 26.Qc7 e6 27.Qe5 Re8 28.Rd4 Rac8 29.Rf4 Qc7 30.c4 dxc4 31.bxc4 Qb6+ 32.Ka1 Rb8 33.Rf6 Rbc8 34.Rh1 Qc7 35.Rxg6+ Kf8 36.Qh8+ Ke7* 1-0 (36) Gordima (2851)-Samarqand2021 (2899) Blitz 2022 *)* 19.h5 Bxc2 20.hxg6

Bxg6 21.Kb2 Qb6 22.Qf2 Qb4 23.Bxd5 Rxd5 24.Rxd5 cxd5 25.Rh4 Qb6 26.Qd4 Rc8 27.b4 a5 28.a3 axb4 29.axb4 Ra8 30.Qxd5 Qa7 31.Nb3 Qa2+ 32.Kc3 Rc8+ 33.Kd4 Qb2+ 34.Ke3 Rc3+ 35.Kf4 Rxb3 0-1 (35) Elconceto (2902) - Samarqand2021 (2856) Blitz 2022;

B3c) 17.g4

B3c1) 17...Be6 18.Nc5 Nf4 19.Nxe6 Nxe6 20.Qe4 Ng5 *(20...Qf4+ 21.Qxf4 Nxf4 22.Rhe1 e6 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Re4 Nd5 25.Bxd5 cxd5 26.Ra4 Rd7 27.Kd2 f6 28.b4 Kf7 29.b5 h5 30.h3 Rb7 31.Ra5 hxg4 32.hxg4 g5 33.a4 f5 34.Kd3 Kf6 35.c4 dxc4+ 36.Kxc4 Rc7+ 37.Kb4 Rf7 38.Kc5 fxg4 39.fxg4 Ke5 40.Rxa7 Rxa7 41.b6 Rxa4 42.b7 Rxg4 43.b8Q+ Kf5 44.Qb1+ Re4 45.Qa1 Kg4 46.Qb1 Kf4 47.Qa1 Kf5 48.Qb1 g4 49.Qa1 Kf4 50.Qb1 Kf3 51.Qa1 Kg2 52.Qb1 Kf3 53.Qa1 Re2 54.Qb1 Kf2 55.Qa1 Rd2 56.Qb1 Kf3 57.Qa1 Rd7 58.Qb1 Kf4 59.Qa1 Kg5 60.Qb1 Kf6 61.Qa1+ Kg6 62.Qb1+ Kh5 63.Qa1 Kg6 64.Qb1+ Kh5 65.Qa1 Rd3 66.Qb1 Rc3+ 67.Kb4 Rf3 68.Qa1 Rf4+ 69.Ka3 Rf3+ 70.Ka2 Rh3 71.Qb1 Kh6 72.Qa1 Rd3 73.Qb1 Rd5 74.Qc1+ Kg6 75.Qb1+ Kg5 76.Qc1+ Kg6 77.Qb1+ Kg7 78.Qa1+ Kh6 79.Qc1+ Kh5 80.Qe1 Kg5 81.Qxe6 Rb5 82.Qg8+ Kh4 83.Qh8+ Rh5 84.Qd8+ Kh3 85.Qd3+ Kh2 86.Qd6+ g3 87.Qd2+ Kh3 88.Qd7+ Kg2 89.Qb7+ Kh2 90.Qb2+ Kh1 91.Qb7+ g2 92.Qa8 Rc5 93.Qh8+ Kg1 94.Qd4+ Kh2 95.Qh8+ Kg3 96.Qg8+ Kh3 97.Qh8+ Kg3 98.Qg8+ Kh3 99.Qh8+ Kg3* ½-½ (99) Torbot (2861) - Arasanx (2862) Rapid 2023 *)* 21.Qe3 Nh3 22.Rhe1 e6 23.Kb2 Nf4 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Qe5 Qxe5+ 26.Rxe5 Nd5 27.Bxd5 cxd5 28.b4 Kf8 29.c4 Ke7 30.c5 Kd7 31.Kb3 Kc6 32.a3 a5 33.f4 Kb5 34.f5 Re8 35.Kc3 gxf5 36.gxf5 axb4+ 37.axb4 d4+ 38.Kxd4 Kxb4 39.h3 Rd8+ 40.Ke4 Rc8 41.fxe6 fxe6 42.Kd4 Rc7 43.Rxe6 Rxc5 44.h4 Rh5 45.Re1 Rxh4+ 46.Kd3 Kc5 47.Ra1 Rg4 48.Rb1 Ra4 49.Rc1+ Kd5 50.Rb1 Ra3+ 51.Kc2 Ke4 52.Rc1 Ra2+ 53.Kd1 h5 54.Rb1 Kf3 55.Rb3+ Kf2 56.Rb4 Ra1+ 57.Kd2 Ra3 58.Rc4 Ra2+ 59.Kd1 Ke3 60.Rc1 Rg2 61.Rc3+ Kf2 62.Rc6 Rg3 63.Rc2+ Kg1 64.Rc1 Kf2 65.Rc2+ Kg1 66.Rc1 Re3 67.Rc4 Kf2 68.Rd4 Rf3 69.Rd2+ Kf1 70.Rd4 Kf2 71.Rd2+ Kg3 72.Rd5 h4

73.Ke2 Kg2 74.Rg5+ Rg3 75.Rf5 h3 76.Rf2+ Kg1 77.Rf1+ Kh2 78.Rf2+ Rg2 79.Kf1 Kg3 80.Rf6 Rb2 81.Rg6+ Kf3 82.Rf6+ Kg3 83.Rg6+ Kh2 84.Rg4 Rb3 85.Rg5 Rf3+ 86.Ke1 Rg3 87.Rf5 Rg1+ 88.Ke2 Ra1 89.Rf1 Ra2+ 90.Kf3 Ra3+ 91.Kf2 Ra5 92.Kf3 Rf5+ 93.Ke2 Ra5 94.Rf6 Rg5 95.Kf1 Rg1+ 96.Ke2 Rc1 97.Rf1 Rc3 98.Kf2 Rc2+ 99.Kf3 Rg2 100.Ra1 Rg3+ 101.Kf2 Rg2+ 102.Ke3 Rg3+ 103.Kf2 Rg2+ 104.Ke3 Rg3+ 105.Kf2 ½-½ (105) Nikitosik Ai (2862)-Botacik (2830) Rapid 2023;

B3c2) 17...Bd7 18.Rde1 Qd6 19.Nc5 Rab8 20.Re4 Be8 21.g5 Bd7 22.Rhe1 Re8 23.Nxd7 Qxd7 24.h4 Rbd8 25.Kb2 Qc7 26.Qc5 e6 27.Bxd5 Rxd5 28.Qc3 Rc8 29.Ra4 a5 30.Ree4 Ra8 31.a3 Ra7 32.Re3 c5 33.Rc4 Ra8 34.Rd3 Rc8 35.f4 Rxd3 36.Qxd3 Qb6 37.Qc3 Qa7 38.Ra4 Ra8 39.Rc4 Rc8 40.Ka2 Qb6 41.Ra4 Ra8 42.Qe1 Qa7 43.Qe5 Rc8 44.Kb2 Qb6 45.Qc3 Ra8 46.Rc4 Rc8 47.Ka2 Qa7 48.Qe5 Qb6 49.Kb1 Rc7 50.Ka1 Rc8 51.Kb2 Rc6 52.Qc3 Rc8 53.Ra4 Ra8 54.Ka2 Qa7 55.Rc4 Rc8 56.Ra4 Ra8 57.Qe5 Rc8 58.Qd6 Kg7 59.Qd3 Kg8 60.Qb5 Ra8 61.Qc6 Rd8 62.Rc4 Rd5 63.Qb5 Kf8 64.Ra4 c4 65.Qxc4 Rc5 66.Qe4 Qc7 67.Rc4 Rxc4 68.Qxc4 Qa7 69.Kb2 Kg7 70.b4 axb4 71.axb4 h5 72.b5 Kg8 73.Kb3 Qa1 74.Qc8+ Kh7 75.Qc7 Qb1+ 76.Ka4 Qa1+ 77.Kb4 Qb1+ 78.Ka5 Qa1+ 79.Kb6 Qd4+ 80.Kb7 Qd5+ 81.Ka6 Qa2+ 82.Kb6 e5 83.fxe5 Qe6+ 84.Ka7 Kh8 85.b6 Kg7 86.Qc5 Qa2+ 87.Kb8 Kg8 88.b7 f5 89.gxf6 Qf7 90.Qc8+ Kh7 91.Qc7 Qxc7+ 92.Kxc7 g5 93.b8Q Kg6 94.Qg8+ Kf5 95.Qc4 Kg6 96.Qe4+ Kh6 97.Qf5 gxh4 98.f7 h3 99.f8Q# 1-0 (99) Cinder (2980)-Cheng Nn (2864) Rapid 2025]

[14...Qxd4 15.Rxd4 e5 16.Rd2 Nb6 17.Nc5 Bf5 18.Ba6 Rad8 19.Rhd1 Rd5 20.b4 Rfd8 21.c4 Rd4 22.g4 Bc8 23.Rxd4 exd4 24.Bxc8 Nxc8 25.Kc2 Nb6 26.Kb3 Kg7 27.a4 Kf6 28.a5 Nc8 29.f4 h6 30.h4 h5 31.Ne4+ Ke6 32.Ng5+ Kf6 33.gxh5 gxh5 34.Nf3 Kf5 35.Nxd4+ Kg4 36.Rg1+ Kxh4 37.Nf5+ Kh3 38.Rg3+ Kh2 39.Rg5 Rh8 40.b5 cxb5 41.cxb5 h4 42.Kc4 h3 43.Kc5 Kh1 44.Kc6 h2 45.Kc7 Re8 46.Nh6 f6 47.Rg3 Rh8 48.Ng4 Ne7 49.Nf2# 1-0 (49) Vistagausta (2865)-Justdrinkradegast (2654) Blitz 2022]

15.g3 And an immediate point of interest is whereas humans have favoured 15 Bc4 on 470 occasions here, chosen 15 Nc5 on 125 times and selected 15 h4 on 62, the super computer ignores those options in

favour of the little seen text. Of course regular subscribers will be very aware of our obsession (well sort of!) with Chris Ward: 'played in the reverse fixture between the metal monsters (also annotated in this July 2024 update).'

[15.Nc5 The second most common move played in practice here with

A) So 15...Rd8 is overwhelmingly seen most, note not losing a piece for nothing due to

A1) 16.Bc4 is by far the most popular with 16 g4 in second. Bf5 17.Bb3 (Chris Ward: 'Don't forget (highlighting a black threat) that' Chris Ward: 'Don't forget (highlighting a black threat) that' *17.g4* Chris Ward: '?' '?' Chris Ward: 'walks into' *Bxc2* Chris Ward: '!' '!' Chris Ward: 'i.e.' *18.Kxc2* Chris Ward: '?' '?' *Nb4+* Chris Ward: 'winning the queen.' Chris Ward: 'winning the queen.')

A1a) 17...Nb6 Paunovic, Tomislav: '- 135/72'

A1a1) Chris Ward: 'In the well worth checking out site annotated Adams,M (2727)-Nakamura,H (2806) London 2017, read about how in his post game interview Mickey explained he had spent 40 minutes contemplating the variation' 18.Qe3

A1a11) Chris Ward: 'Note previously on ChessPublishing we looked at' 18...Nd5 Chris Ward: 'in the reference Perez Mitjans, O (2452)-Delgado Ramos, H (2488) Barcelona ESP 2011.' 19.Qf2 *(19.Qg5!?* might be our next port of call but gee is this line getting theoretical!*)* 19...h5 20.g3 a5 (It's not entirely clear whether White's plan was solid centralisation or to arrange h3 and g4 but either way here *20...Nf6* also looks plausible. I can't argue against keeping that knight on d5 though. *)* 21.Rhe1 Nb6 22.a4 Nd5 The steed returns, happy that White has conceded the b4-square. 23.Rd2 Nb4? *(23...Nf6!* is better now as it challenges the d-file whilst side-stepping the g2-g4 idea that White now misses! *)*

A1a111) Missing the strength of 24.g4! Rxd2 *(*Or *24...hxg4 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.fxg4* with an x-ray on f7. *)* 25.Qxd2 hxg4 26.fxg4 Bxg4 27.Qg5!;

A1a112) 24.Red1 Rxd2 25.Qxd2 Qe5 26.Qc3 Protecting the knight and hoping for a favourable endgame, but probably not best. Qe2 (Staying away from *26...Qxc3 27.bxc3 Nd5 28.Bxd5 cxd5 29.Rxd5*

and instead threatening the tactic 29...Bxc2.) 27.Re1? *(27.Qe1!* essentially eyeing up the e7-pawn for the queen if the trade isn't accepted, is best. Instead the tide turns.) 27...Qxh2 28.Rxe7?! Tempting but again wrong. Qg1+ 29.Re1 *(* Unavailable were *29.Qe1? Qxc5* and*; 29.Kd2? Rd8+)* 29...Qxg3 Suddenly Black is a pawn up with a potentially dangerous kingside majority. 30.Qe3 Rf8 *(* The less passive approach was *30...Nd5* and if *31.Ne4* then simply *Bxe4 32.Qxe4 Rd8)* 31.Rg1 Qh2 32.Ne4 Bxe4 *(*Again *32...Nd5!* was best and note *33.Bxd5?! cxd5 34.Nf6+ Kg7* with the mate on c2.*)* 33.fxe4 Kh7 *(* White was threatening Rxg6+ but here *33...Kg7!* is more logical.*)* 34.Rf1 Qg2 *(34...Qe5!* centralises and feels like it keeps more control. Then *35.Rxf7+? Rxf7 36.Bxf7 h4* looks massive.*)* 35.Rd1 Re8 36.Qf4 Qxe4 37.Qxf7+ Kh6 38.Kb1 Rd8! White's king may feel safe but there is a back rank issue to consider. 39.Rg1 Re8 *(*Instead *39...c5!? 40.Qf6 Re8 41.Qg5+ Kg7* keeps Black bossing. *)* 40.Rd1 Rd8 *(*Again then *40...c5!?* but possibly with time an issue, Black apparently settles for a draw. *)* 41.Rg1 Re8 42.Qf1? But with the worse position, White makes the practical decision to deviate in order to play on. Nd5 *(42...c5!* looks good threatening ...c4 when the pawn can't be taken by the bishop because of the threat to c2, nor by the queen because of the back rank problem.*)* 43.Qf2 Qe3 44.Qg2 Qe1+?? Sadly a 'winning combination' that loses! *(* Instead *44...Nf4!* comfortably guards the mate threat on g6. *)* 45.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 46.Ka2 Nb4+ 47.Ka3 Ra1+ 48.Ba2 The point. It wasn't mate at all! Nxa2 Though ...Nc1 would now be mate. 49.Qd2+ Kh7 50.Qxa5! The white king is no

longer in a net. h4 51.b3 Nc3+ 52.Kb2 Rf1 53.Qxc3 1-0 (55) Caruana,F (2828)-Le,T (2515) chess.com INT 2019 [Chris Ward];

A1a12) 18...Rxd1+ 19.Rxd1 Qxh2 20.g4 Nd5 Chris Ward: 'with inconclusive results.' 21.Qd2 *(* Neither *21.Bxd5?? Qxc2#;* nor *21.Rxd5 cxd5 22.gxf5 Qh1+ 23.Kd2 Qh2+* stand out i.e. in a good way! *)* 21...Qxd2+ 22.Kxd2 Bc8 23.Ba4 Rb8 24.Bxc6 Nb4 25.Ba4 Rb6 26.a3 Rd6+ 27.Ke1 Rxd1+ 28.Kxd1 Nd5 29.Ke2 Kg7 30.c4 Nf4+ 31.Ke3 e5 32.Nd3 Nxd3 33.Kxd3 1/2-1/2 Keuter,K (2421)-Peuraniemi,P (2452) GER email 2016 is a useful reference. Generally White had slightly the better of that but basically probably just a draw!;

A1a2) Chris Ward: 'Upon' 18.Qc3 Chris Ward: ',' 18...h5 Chris Ward: 'to be very plausible as with the white queen displaced from d4, White is actually prevented from playing g2-g4.' Chris Ward: 'is very plausible as with the white queen displaced from d4, White is actually prevented from playing g2-g4.' *(* Chris Ward: 'Note with a comparison to the previous reference, the queen is more helpful on c3 than e3 after' Chris Ward: 'Note with a comparison to the previous reference, the queen is more helpful on c3 than e3 after' *18...Rxd1+ 19.Rxd1 Qxh2* Chris Ward: '?' '?' Chris Ward: 'because after' *20.g4 Nd5* Chris Ward: '?' '?' Chris Ward: 'fails to' *21.Bxd5* Chris Ward: 'because the 'mate' on c2 is covered.' Chris Ward: 'because the 'mate' on c2 is covered.'*)* Chris Ward: 'For' 19.g3 Chris Ward: 'now, be sure to check out the site annotated Adams,M (2727)-Nakamura,H (2806) London 2017.' Nd5 20.Qd4 e6 21.Rhg1 Qe7 22.Qf2 Nf6 23.a3 Rab8 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Re1 Qc7 26.Qe3 Qe7 27.Qf2 Nd5 28.Kb1 Kg7 29.Qd4+ Kh7 30.Ka2 Nf6 31.Qc3 Nd5 32.Qa5 Kg8 33.Re2 Nf6 34.Qc3 Nd5 35.Qa5 *(35.Bxd5 cxd5 36.Qd4 Re8 37.f4 h4 38.b4 h3 39.a4 a5 40.c3 Rc8 41.Rd2 Bg4 42.Qe3 Qa7 43.Kb2 Bf5 44.Qd4 Qe7 45.Rd1 Qe8 46.Rg1 Bg4 47.Re1 Qc6 48.Rc1 Qe8 49.Ka3 Bf5 50.Ra1 Qe7 51.Kb3 Qc7 52.Re1 Qc6 53.Rc1 Rc7 54.Kb2 Qe8 55.Re1 Qa8 56.Ka3*

Qc8 57.Qg1 Qe8 58.Qd4 Qd8 59.Kb3 Bg4 60.Kb2 Qa8 61.Qe5 Qc8 62.Qd4 Bf5 63.Rg1 Bg4 64.Rc1 Qd8 65.Qe5 Qc8 66.Rc2 Bf5 67.Rd2 Rc6 68.Qe3 Rc7 69.Rd1 Qa8 70.Kb3 Bg4 71.Rd2 Qc8 72.Kb2 Rc6 73.Rc2 Bf5 74.Re2 Rc7 75.Qg1 Bg4 76.Re1 Qa8 77.Qd4 Qf8 78.Kb3 Qc8 79.Qe5 axb4 80.cxb4 Rxc5 81.bxc5 Qxc5 82.Qc3 Qa7 83.Ka3 d4 84.Qc8+ Kg7 85.Rb1 e5 86.Qxg4 Qc5+ 87.Ka2 Qc4+ 88.Rb3 Qc2+ 89.Ka3 Qc1+ 90.Kb4 Qd2+ 91.Kb5 Qxh2 92.Qd1 Qg2 93.fxe5 Qb7+ 94.Kc4 Qc8+ 95.Kd3 Qf5+ 96.Kd2 h2 97.g4 Qg5+ 98.Kd3 Qe3+ 99.Kc4 d3 100.Rb1 d2 101.Qf1 Qe4+ 102.Kc3 Qxe5+ 103.Kxd2 Qd4+ 104.Qd3 Qf2+ 105.Kc3 Qg2 106.Qd1 Kg8 107.g5 Qg3+ 108.Qd3 Qc7+ 109.Kd2 Qe5 110.Qf3 Qxg5+ 111.Kd3 Qd8+ 112.Ke2 Qd4 113.Qd3 Qg4+ 114.Kf2 h1N+ 115.Rxh1 Qf4+ 116.Ke2 Qg4+ 117.Ke3 Qg3+ 118.Ke4 Qg2+ 119.Qf3 Qc2+ 120.Kf4 Qc7+ 121.Kg4 Qd7+ 122.Kg3 1-0 (124) Yobot V2 (2868)-Arasanx (2845) Rapid 2023) 35...Nf6 36.Na4 Rd1 37.Qc3 Qd8 38.Qxc6 Rf1 39.Nc3 Qd4 40.a4 Nd7 41.f4 Qg1 42.Ka3 Qd4 43.Ka2 Qg1 44.Ka3 Qd4 45.Qc8+ Kh7 46.Qc7 Ra1+ 47.Na2 Kg8 48.Qc4 Qd1 49.a5 Nc5 50.Re5 Nxb3 51.Kxb3 Qd7 52.Nb4 Qa4+ 53.Kc3 Rc1 54.Qe2 a6 55.Rc5 Kh7 56.Qg2 h4 57.g4 Bxc2 58.Nxc2 Qxf4 59.Kb3 Kg7 60.Qh3 Rf1 61.Qxh4 Qd6 62.Qh3 Qxc5 63.Qxf1 Qxa5 64.Nb4 Qe5 65.Qxa6 Qxh2 66.Nd3 Kh6 67.Qc4 Qd2 68.Qf4+ Qxf4 69.Nxf4 1-0 (69) Blauer Rausch (2922)-Arasanx (2863) Blitz 2023;

A1b) Chris Ward: 'Though it was seen in the site annotated Caruana, F-Edouard,R, surely Fabi wasn't expecting a repeat of' 17...h5 Chris Ward: '?!' '?!' Chris Ward: 'Previously I awarded this move with a '?!' and I haven't seen anything since to change my mind. Instead though we do consider' Chris Ward: 'which we have concluded is best met by' 18.Kb1 *(18.Rhe1 Nb6 19.Qe3 Rxd1+ 20.Rxd1 Qxh2 21.Qxe7 Nd5 22.Qe2* Chris Ward: 'was about equal in the eventually drawn Muzychuk,A (2606)-Cmilyte,V (2520) Ankara 2012 but surely critical is'*; 18.g4* Chris Ward: '!' '!' Chris Ward: 'as covered in detail in the Karjakin, S-Van Wely,L Tata Steel 2013 annotation. I suppose it's possible the

talented Dragon convert Edouard had something in mind but we may have to wait a bit to find out! Instead Fabi plays more tamely but still has an edge for most of the ensuing endgame.') 18...Qf4 (Chris Ward: 'I have to say first though that' *18...Nb6* Chris Ward: '!' *19.Qe3 Rxd1+ 20.Rxd1 Rd8* Chris Ward: 'seems okay with Black's general preference being to preserve the queen. Indeed with her majesty on the board, White always has to guard against black threats and so doesn't find it so easy to pressurise and win the black queenside isolated pawns.') 19.Nb7 Qxd4 20.Rxd4 Rd7 Chris Ward: 'I will continue with the occasional comment from now on in but truth be told I don't know whether this should be a white win or a draw. Accepting the task of defending this position is as much a question of psychology than anything else. Black has the worse pawn structure but if he digs in and ultimately achieves the draw then that may be like a moral victory and certainly a good result against the World number 2. Alternatively suffer for ages, get ground down and defeated and you have to ask yourself 'is this really what playing the Dragon is all about'?' 21.Na5 e5 22.Rdd1 Ne3 23.Rxd7 Bxd7 24.g3 Re8 25.Re1 Nf5 26.c3 Kf8 27.Ba4 (*27.Rd1* Chris Ward: '!' *Re7 28.Ba4* Chris Ward: 'is maybe more accurate but we continue to see very reasonable moves. White is scrutinising the weakness on c6 and still has an advantage somewhere between slight and clear!') 27...Re6 28.Nb7 Be8 29.b4 f6 30.Nc5 Re7 31.Rd1 g5 32.Rd8 Kg7 Chris Ward: 'White has the more active pieces but whilst he hopes that Black will crack and an isolated pawn or two will drop, Black clearly hasn't forgotten about his own kingside majority.' 33.Bb3 g4 34.fxg4 hxg4 35.Kc1 Ne3 36.Be6 Chris Ward: 'As it happens now Black's chances are probably no worse leading us to a 3rd possibility not considered earlier could Black overpress and lose?' f5 37.Kd2 f4 38.Ke2 Bf7 39.Rd6 Nd5 40.Rxc6 Chris Ward: '?' (*40.Bxf7 Nxc3+ 41.Kd3 Nb5 42.Rg6+ Kxf7 43.Rxg4* Chris Ward: 'and White remains marginally better but the text sends the gauge in the other direction.') 40...Nxc3+ 41.Kd2

A1b1) Chris Ward: 'Not bad nor would be' 41...Ne4+ 42.Nxe4 Bxe6 Chris Ward: 'Yes both favourable to Black but';

A1b2) 41...f3 Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'would be a serious problem with the f-

pawn threatening to promote. The white king has to prevent that with' 42.Ke1 *(*Chris Ward: 'or' *42.Ke3 Nd1+* Chris Ward: '!*)* 42...Nxa2 Chris Ward: 'i.e.' 43.Bxg4 Chris Ward: '?' Nxb4 Chris Ward: 'suddenly winning for Black.';

A1b3) 41...Nxa2 42.b5 f3 Chris Ward: 'Comparing the previous scenario, White hasn't had to commit to Ke1 and so his b-pawn is preserved.' 43.Bxg4 e4 44.Ne6+ Kf6 45.Nf4+ Kg5 Chris Ward: '??' *(* Chris Ward: 'After all that hard work, such a shame. Probably a draw but after' *45...Ke5* Chris Ward: 'Black is for preference. Unfortunately though the text walks into a mating net.' *)* 46.Bc8 e3+ 47.Ke1 1-0 (47) Das,A (2828)-Destruels Moreno,F (2643) ICCF 2019 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] Chris Ward: 'Alas Black's e and f-pawns aren't fast enough with h2-h4 about to seal the deal for White.';

A1c) 17...Nf4 Chris Ward: 'and with better results.' Chris Ward: 'and with better results.' Chris Ward: '17...Nb6 is vanishing.'Chris Ward: '17...Sb6 scheint zu verschwinden.'

A1c1) 18.Qc4

A1c11) Our conclusion from the 18...e5 19.g3 Nd5 *(* Things actually turn bad for Black rather quickly and it could actually be that here *19...Be6!?* was critical. Following *20.Nxe6 Nxe6* Black still retains those queenside isolanis, but d4 is of course potentially a good square for his knight. *)* 20.Rhe1 Re8 21.g4! of Haslinger,S (2553)-Pijpers,A (2338) Haarlem NED 2013 was that hitting the queen immediately is the better option.;

A1c12) 18...Be6 19.Nxe6 Nxe6 20.g3 Chris Ward: 'Played nearly always and with good reason. White guards the f4-square, potentially preparing the advance f3-f4 whilst also covering the h2-pawn so that the h1-rook is free to move.' Rd6 *(20...Rxd1+?! 21.Rxd1 Rd8 22.Rxd8+ Nxd8 23.Qc5!* would transpose to the unpleasant for Black position mentioned above and so Black correctly opts for the lift. featured in the site annotation Popov,I (2604)-Cvitan,O (2489) Mali Losinj CRO 2019 and prompted me to observe 'And I think this really epitomises what I'm not enjoying about these variations. What started

off as a fresh idea has now been extensively analysed almost down to endgames where now it seems I'm often trying to decide whether a scenario is 'White is a little better but Black should draw' or 'Black is worse and White should convert'! . In that particular game it became clear that the concession of giving White the open file by trading rooks immediately is a mistake. *)*

A1c121) 21.Rxd6?! exd6 would still leave Black with three pawn islands. However he would have fewer isolanis and now able to get in ...d5, he wouldn't stand worse.;

A1c122) Upon 21.f4 Rad8 22.c3 Rxd1+ *(* Alternatively perhaps a more exciting try is to maintain the tension with something like *22...a5!?* with a type of Mexican standoff with the rooks.*)* 23.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 24.Bxd1 Qb6 White has a little nibble of an advantage but at least the black queen has more of a chance at activity.;

A1c123) 21.Qc3 Rad8 *(* White's last move looks fairly innocuous but *21...a5 22.Rxd6 exd6 23.Bxe6 fxe6 24.f4* intending h4-h5 highlights what White had in mind with it. Nevertheless Black's sensible reply cuts across that idea and in particular now threatens ...Nd4.*)* 22.Bxe6 Chris Ward: 'And hence the fairly tame liquidating response.' *(22.Rxd6* Paunovic,Tomislav: '⩱' *)*

A1c1231) Chris Ward: 'Also' 22...Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 24.Kxd1 Qd6+ Chris Ward: 'should be fine.' 25.Qd3 Qxe6 *(25...fxe6 26.Qxd6 exd6 27.f4 Kf7* Paunovic,Tomislav: '=' *)* 26.a4 c5 27.b3 h5 Paunovic, Tomislav: '=';

A1c1232) 22...Rxe6 Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Diagram

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A1c12321) 23.b3

Red6 24.Rxd6 Rxd6 *(24...Qxd6* is the more active option here.*)* 25.Re1 Rd5 26.Re4 h5 27.f4 e6 28.Kb2 c5 29.Ra4 ½-½ (51) Granski,M (2497)-Lecroq,M (2604) ICCF email 2012 looked a little more promising from a White perspective but still ended up as a draw in Granski,M (2497)-Lecroq,M (2604) ICCF email 2012;

A1c12322)

23.Rxd8+ Chris Ward: 'N' Paunovic,Tomislav: 'N' 23...Qxd8 24.Rd1

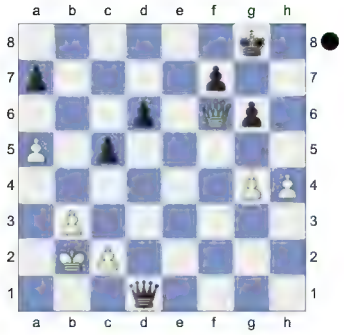
A1c123221)

24...Rd6 25.Re1 *(25.Rxd6 Qxd6 26.b4 e5* Paunovic,Tomislav: '=' *)* 25...Rd5 *(25...e6 26.b3* Paunovic,Tomislav: '±' *)* 26.b3 *(26.Qxc6 Qa5 27.Qc3 Qxa2 28.b4 e5* Paunovic,Tomislav: '=' *)* 26...Qd6 27.Kb2 Paunovic, Tomislav: ' ± ' c5 28.f4 f6 29.Qc4 Kf8 30.Re3 was nowhere near enough in the eventual draw De Carlos Arregui,I (2481)-Benz,G (2513) ICCF email 2020;

A1c123222)

24...Qb6 25.b3 Chris Ward: 'So I'm not going to lie, investigating these endgames isn't exactly a thrill a minute and I defer you to my comments to Black's move 19!' *(25.f4* Paunovic, Tomislav: '!?'*)* 25...Rd6 *(25...Re3 26.Rd8+ Qxd8 27.Qxe3 Qc7 28.Qc5* Paunovic, Tomislav: ' ± '*)* 26.Rxd6 Paunovic,Tomislav: '?!' *(26.Re1)* 26...exd6 Chris Ward: 'This queen endgame must be drawn but being one of the World's elite, White obliged to try and grind out a win.' 27.Kb2 h5 28.a4 c5 Paunovic, Tomislav: '=' 29.h4 Qb7 30.Qf6 Qd5 Chris Ward: 'Chances are completely equal

but actually things get a little wild...' 31.g4 hxg4 32.fxg4 Qd1 33.a5 Paunovic,Tomislav: 'Diagram



' Qxg4 *(33...c4* Paunovic,Tomislav: '!?' *)* 34.Qxd6 Qb4 *(34...Qxh4 35.Qxc5 Qf6+ 36.c3* Paunovic, Tomislav: '↑' *)* 35.a6 Qxh4 36.Qb8+ *(36.Qxc5 Qf6+ 37.c3 Qxa6)* 36...Kg7 37.Qxa7 Qd4+ 38.Kb1 Qd1+ 39.Kb2 Qd4+ 40.Ka2 Qc3 Chris Ward: 'White's queen needs to be a bit more centralised to be able to help out!' 41.Kb1 Qe1+ 42.Kb2 Qe5+ 43.Kb1 Qe1+ 44.Kb2 Qe5+ 45.c3 Qd5 46.Ka3 Qe5 47.Kb2 Qd5 48.Ka3 Qe5 49.Ka4 *(49.Qb6 Qxc3 50.a7?? Qa1#* isn't to be advised! *)* 49...Qxc3 Chris Ward: 'Nor of course would be allowing mate on b4.' 50.Qb8 Qd4+ 51.Ka5 Qc3+ 52.Ka4 *(*Or *52.Kb6 Qxb3+ 53.Kc7 c4 54.a7 Qg3+ 55.Kd7 Qh3+* etc. The white king isn't evading those checks! *)* 52...Qd4+ 53.b4 **A1c1232221)** 53...cxb4 54.a7 *(54.Qxb4 Qd1+ 55.Ka5 Qd5+* Paunovic,Tomislav: '=' *)* 54...b3+ ½-½ (39) Szabo,V (2444)-Willmann,B (2253) LSS email 2016 55.Kxb3 Qe3+ Paunovic, Tomislav: '='; **A1c1232222)** 53...Qa1+ 54.Kb5 cxb4 55.a7 Qf1+ 56.Ka5 Qa1+ 57.Kb5 Qf1+ 58.Kxb4 Qb1+ 59.Kc5 Qg1+ 60.Kc6 Vorgänger: 60...Qg2+ 61.Kc7 Qg3+ 62.Kd8 Qd3+ 63.Ke7 Qe4+ 64.Kd7 Qg4+ 65.Kc7 ½-½ (65) Ding,L (2811)-Grischuk,A (2745) Chess.com

INT 2022 Chris Ward: 'but with an agreed draw as there's nowhere to hide!';

A1c2) Chris Ward: 'Hitting f7 but with just 20 outings to date compared to 129 with' 18.Qf2 Rxd1+ *(18...h5 19.g3 Nd5 20.h3 h4 21.g4 Qf4+ 22.Kb1 Be6 23.Nxe6 fxe6 24.Qxh4 g5 25.Qh6 Qf6 26.Qxf6 exf6 27.Rde1 e5 28.h4 gxh4 29.g5 Kg7 30.gxf6+ Kxf6 31.Rxh4 Rh8 32.Rc4 Rac8 33.Rc5 Rhd8 34.a3* 1-0 (34) Vistagausta (2838)-Mutdpro (2801) Blitz 2019*)* 19.Rxd1 Rd8 20.Re1 *(20.g3 Rxd1+ 21.Kxd1 Qd6+ 22.Kc1 Ne2+ 23.Qxe2 Qxc5 24.g4 Be6 25.Bxe6 Qg1+ 26.Kd2 Qd4+ 27.Qd3 Qf2+ 28.Kc3 fxe6 29.Qe4 Kf7 30.Qf4+ Ke8 31.b3 e5 32.Qe4 Qc5+ 33.Kb2 Qd5 34.a4 a5 35.h4 Kd7 36.h5 gxh5 37.gxh5 h6 38.Kc3 Kd6 39.Qg6+ e6 40.Qd3 Kc5 41.Qe3+ Qd4+ 42.Qxd4+ exd4+ 43.Kd3 Kd5 44.f4 e5 45.fxe5 Kxe5 46.Kc4 Kf5 47.Kxd4 Kg5 48.b4 axb4 49.a5 Kxh5 50.a6 Kg4 51.a7 h5 52.a8Q h4 53.Qxc6 h3 54.Qh1* 1-0 (54) Kivurawnuru (2840)-Equaliz3R (2725) Blitz 2023 *)* 20...h5 21.g3 Nd5 22.a3 e6 23.Kb1 *(23.Qd4 Qe7 24.Kb1 Nc7 25.Qg1 Nd5 26.Ka2 Nf6 27.Qf2 Kg7 28.Qe3 Kg8 29.Rg1 Qd6 30.Rg2 Qe7 31.Qc3 Rd1 32.Na4 Rd6 33.Qe3 Rd7 34.Qe5 Rd1 35.Nc3 Rd8 36.Nb1 Rd1 37.Rd2 Rf1 38.Ba4 Rxf3 39.Bxc6 Rf1 40.Nc3 Ng4 41.Qb5 Re1 42.Rd7 Qf6 43.Rxa7 Ne5 44.Qb8+ Kh7 45.Ba4 g5 46.Qd6 Bg6 47.Rc7 Qf1 48.Bb5 Qf2 49.Rc5 Nf3 50.Qf8 Nd4 51.Rc8 Bxc2 52.a4 Nxb5 53.Nxb5 Bb1+ 54.Ka3 Re3+ 55.Nc3 Qf6 56.Qc5 Rf3 57.b4 h4 58.gxh4 Bc2 59.a5 e5 60.Qf8 gxh4 61.Kb2 Rf2 62.Qg8+ Kh6 63.Qh8+ Qxh8 64.Rxh8+ Kg7 65.Rxh4 e4 66.Rg4+ Kh6 67.Kc1 e3 68.Rg3 e2 69.Kd2 Bb3 70.Ne4 Rf1 71.Kxe2 Rb1 72.Nd6 Ba4 73.b5 Bxb5+ 74.Nxb5 Rb2+ 75.Ke1 Rb1+ 76.Kd2* 1-0 (76) Grzechu86 (2956)-Arasanx (2944) Blitz 2024*; 23.Qg1 Nf6 24.Bc4 Qb6 25.Qe3 Nd5 26.Qg1 Nf6 27.Qe3 Nd5 28.Bxd5 cxd5 29.Qd4 Rc8 30.b4 a5 31.c3 Qb5 32.a4 Qb8 33.Re2 Bh3 34.Kc2 axb4 35.cxb4 Bf1 36.Re3 h4 37.f4 Bc4 38.Kc3 h3 39.Re1 Kh7 40.Rb1 Qb6 41.Re1 Rb8 42.Rb1 Ra8 43.g4 Kg8 44.f5 Qc7 45.Re1 Qxh2 46.fxg6 Qa2 47.gxf7+ Kxf7 48.Qf4+ Kg8 49.Qg5+ Kh7 50.Qe7+ Kh8 51.Nxe6 Qb3+ 52.Kd4 Qb2+*

53.Kc5 Rc8+ 54.Kb6 Qf2+ 55.Nc5 Qf8 56.Qxf8+ Rxf8 57.Ne6 Rf1 58.Re3 Kg8 59.Rxh3 Rf6 60.Kc5 Rxe6 61.b5 Re1 62.Rh6 Rc1 63.g5 Bb3+ 64.Kb4 Rb1 65.Rh4 Kg7 66.Kc5 Rc1+ 67.Kd6 Rc4 68.Rxc4 dxc4 69.b6 c3 70.b7 c2 71.b8Q c1Q 72.Qxb3 Qf4+ 73.Kc5 Qc7+ 74.Kb4 Qe7+ 75.Kc3 Qe3+ 76.Kb2 Qxg5 77.a5 Qd2+ 78.Ka1 Qxa5+ 79.Kb1 Qf5+ 80.Ka1 Qf6+ 81.Kb1 Qf1+ 82.Ka2 Qf7 83.Qxf7+ Kxf7 ½-½ (83) Torbot (2898)-Arasanx (2857) Blitz 2023*; 23.Rd1 Nb6 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Qe3 Qd6 26.c3 e5 27.Ne4 Bxe4 28.Qxe4 Kg7 29.Qe2 Qc5 30.Kb1 Qb5 31.Qxb5 cxb5 32.Bd1 Nc4 33.Be2 Nd6 34.Ka2 f5 35.Kb3 g5 36.Kb4 Kf6 37.Kc5 Ke6 38.Bxb5 Nxb5 39.Kxb5 Kd5 40.c4+ Kd6 41.c5+ Kd5 42.h3 f4 43.gxf4 gxf4 44.h4 e4 45.fxe4+ Kd4 46.c6 f3 47.c7 f2 48.c8Q f1Q+ 49.Kb4 Qf4 50.Qc4+ Ke5 51.Qd5+ Kf6 52.Qxh5 Qd2+ 53.Ka4 Qc2+ 54.Ka5 Qc7+ 55.Kb4* 1-0 (55) Yobot V2 (2871)-Arasanx (2736) Rapid 2023 *)* 23...Qb6 24.Qd4 Ne7 25.Qf2 Nd5 26.Qd4 Ne7 27.Qg1 Nd5 28.Kc1 Nc7 29.Re5 Bh3 30.Ba2 Bf5 31.Bb3 Bh3 32.Ba2 Bf5 33.Qe3 Qb8 34.Qe2 Qb6 35.Qe3 Qb8 36.Qe2 Qb6 37.h4 Nd5 38.Qf2 Nf6 39.Re2 Qb5 40.Bb3 Rd6 41.Ba4 Qc4 42.Bb3 Qb5 43.Qe3 Nd7 44.Na4 c5 45.Nc3 Qb6 46.Bc4 Rd4 47.Bb5 Nf6 48.Re1 Qb7 49.b3 Qc7 50.Qe5 Qa5 51.Qxc5 Rd5 52.Qb4 Qc7 53.Bc4 Rc5 54.Nb5 Qxg3 55.Re2 Re5 56.Qd6 Qg1+ 57.Qd1 Qg3 58.Qd6 Qg1+ 59.Qd1 Qg3 60.Qd8+ Kg7 61.Qd6 Qg1+ 62.Qd1 Qg3 63.Qd6 Qg1+ 64.Qd1 Qg3 65.Qd6 Normal ½-½ (65) Torbot V2 (2958)-Arasanx (2933) Rapid 2024;

A2) Chris Ward: 'In the archives you will find a bit about the immediate' 16.g4 Chris Ward: 'that prevents ...Bf5 but concedes the f4-square. Also up next though is nothing new to us.' Chris Ward: 'that prevents ...Bf5 but concedes the f4-square.';

A3) 16.c4? because of 16...Qa5!? *(16...e5!?* also working. *)*;

B) 15...Rb8 activating the rook on the half-open file is 2nd in the practical outing stakes but instead the 3631 rated inanimate (well probably!) launches the a-pawn, also buying the b4-square but possibly with the idea of advancing it further. 16.Bc4 e5 17.Qg1 Qb6 18.Bb3 a5 19.h4 h6 20.Ne4 Ne3 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Qxb6 Rxb6 23.c3 Be6 24.Bxe6 fxe6 25.g4 Ne7 26.c4 Rfb8 27.b3 a4 28.Kb2 axb3 29.axb3 c5 30.Nxc5 Nc6

31.Nd7 Rd8 32.Nxe5 Rxd3 33.Nxd3 Na5 34.Kc2 Nxb3 35.Kc3 Na5 36.Ra1 Nc6 37.f4 g5 38.fxg5 hxg5 39.h5 Nd8 40.Ra5 Nf7 41.Ne5 Nxe5 42.Rxe5 Kf7 43.Rxg5 Rb1 44.h6 Rh1 45.Rh5 1-0 (45) Dalmatinac101 (2810)-Alexandr Khlebovich (2696) Blitz 2021;

C) 15...a5 And once again the Stockfish superstar surprises us, again ignoring all the humans that have trodden this path before.

C1) Intriguingly prioritising halting this pawn when a very rare relevant human encounter saw White take the opposite approach namely 16.h4 e5 17.Qf2 a4 when faced with ...a4-a3, White did succumb to 18.a3 and amusingly Black responded with the blocker h5 *(I prefer 18...Qb6!?* intending ...Rb8 to pressurise b2.*)* when 19.Bc4 Rd8 20.g4!? was initiative White (though an eventual draw) in Tauber,H (2426)-Haugen,A (2523) ICCF email 2010.;

C2) 16.a4

C2a) 16...h5 17.g3 Rd8 18.Qf2 Bf5 19.Bc4 Qb6 *(19...Nb4 20.c3 Nd5 21.Rhg1 Qe5 22.Qd4 Qc7 23.Bb3 Nf6 24.Qe3 Rd6 25.Rge1 Re8 26.Re2 Qb6 27.Qf2 Qb8 28.Rdd2 Red8 29.Ba2 Qc7 30.Bc4 Nd5 31.Ne4 R6d7 32.Bb3 Qb8 33.Nc5 Rd6 34.Bc2 Rf6 35.Ne4 Bxe4 36.Rxe4 Qb7 37.c4 Rb8 38.cxd5 cxd5 39.Re3 Qxb2+ 40.Kd1 Rc6 41.Ke1 Qa1+ 42.Rd1 Qf6 43.Kf1 e6 44.h4 Kg7 45.Rd2 Rb2 46.Kg2 Rb4 47.Red3 Qe5 48.Re2 Qa1 49.Bd1 Rcc4 50.Ra2 Qf6 51.Bc2 Kh7 52.Qd2 Kg7 53.f4 Re4 54.Rda3 Rec4 55.Bd3 Rc5 56.Rc2 Rxc2 57.Bxc2 Qe7 58.Ra2 Qc5 59.Bd3 Rb3 60.Kh2 Kg8 61.Rc2 Qd4 62.Bb5 Qe4 63.Qc1 d4 64.Re2 Qf3 65.Rg2 Rc3 66.Qe1 Kh7 67.Qe2 Qxe2 68.Rxe2 d3 69.Re1 Kg7 70.Kg2 Rc2+ 71.Kf3 d2 72.Rd1 Kf6 73.Ke3 Rc3+ 74.Kd4 Rxg3 75.Rxd2 Rh3 76.Kc5 Rxh4 77.Kb6 Rxf4 78.Kxa5 g5 79.Kb6 h4 80.Rh2 Rf3 81.a5 Ra3 82.a6 h3 83.Be2 Rb3+ 84.Kc5 Rc3+ 85.Kb4* 1-0 (85) MZ (2904)-Arasanx (2822) Blitz 2023 *)* 20.Rhe1 e6 21.Rf1 Rab8 22.Bb3 Qa7 23.Rd2 Qe7 24.Rfd1 Kg7 25.Kb1 Nb4 26.Qe3 Nd5 27.Qg1 Rb4 28.Ka2 Rbb8 29.c3 e5 30.Ka1 Nf6 31.Qe3 Rxd2 32.Rxd2 Kh7 33.Ka2 Re8 34.Bc4 Qa7 35.Qf2 1-0 (35) Torbot V2 (2941)-Arasanx (2895) Rapid 2023;

C2b) 16...Rd8 Obviously comparisons can be made with the analogous position without the inclusion of the a-pawn advances. 17.g4 *(As it happens 17.Bc4* now would reach a totally unique (well as far as my databases suggest) position.*)* 17...Rd6 A handily flexible move facilitating a future ...

Be6 but most pertinently leaving the rook supported so that discovered attacks on the white queen enter the equation. *(17...Qd6 18.Bc4 Nb6 19.Qe3 Nd5 20.Bxd5 cxd5 21.Rhe1 e6 22.Ne4 Qe7 23.Nf2 Bd7 24.Rd4 Rac8 25.g5 e5 26.Rxd5 Rxc2+ 27.Kxc2 Bxa4+ 28.b3 Rxd5 29.Ne4 Qb4 30.bxa4 Qxa4+ 31.Qb3 Qxb3+ 32.Kxb3 Rd3+ 33.Kc4 Rxf3 34.Ra1 Kg7 35.Rxa5 h6 36.Kd5 hxg5 37.Nxg5 Rf2 38.Ra7 Kf8 39.h3 Rf4 40.Rc7 e4 41.Nxe4 Kg7 42.Ke5 Rf3 43.Rc3 Rf5+ 44.Kd4 Rf4 45.Ke3 Rh4 46.Nf2 g5 47.Kf3 f5 48.Ra3 Rh8 49.Ra7+ Kg6 50.Ra6+ Kg7 51.Kg3 Rd8 52.Ra7+ Kg6 53.Ra3 Kh5 54.Ra6 Rb8 55.Ra3 Rb4 56.Nd3 Re4 57.Kf3 Rc4 58.Ra5 Kh4 59.Rxf5 Rc3 60.Ke2 g4 61.Rf4 Kxh3 62.Nf2+ Kg2 63.Rxg4+ Rg3 64.Ra4 Rb3 65.Ne4 Rb8 66.Ra3 Re8 67.Rg3+ Kh2 68.Rg4 Kh3 69.Rf4 Rb8 70.Nf2+ Kh2 71.Rh4+ Kg3 72.Rg4+ Kh2 73.Ne4 Re8 74.Ke3 Kh3 75.Rg6 Rb8 76.Kf3 Rb3+ 77.Kf4 Rb8 78.Rg3+ Kh2 79.Rg7 Kh3 80.Nf2+ Kh2 81.Nd3 Ra8 82.Nc5 Rf8+ 83.Ke3 Rc8 84.Ne4 Ra8 85.Rg6 Kh3 86.Kf3 Ra3+ 87.Kf4 Ra8 88.Rg3+ Kh2 89.Rc3 Rf8+ 90.Kg4 Kg2 91.Rc2+ Kf1 92.Kg3 Rd8 93.Rf2+ Ke1 94.Ra2 Kd1 95.Kf4 Rh8 96.Ke3 Rh3+ 97.Kd4 Rh4 98.Rg2 Rh7 99.Nc3+ Ke1 100.Re2+ Kf1 101.Ra2 Rd7+ 102.Ke3 Re7+ 103.Ne4 Re8 104.Rd2 Ra8 105.Ng5 Re8+ 106.Kf3 Ke1 107.Ra2 Kd1 108.Kf4 Re7 109.Ne4 Rf7+ 110.Ke5 Re7+ 111.Kd4 Rd7+ 112.Kc3 Re7 113.Nf2+ ½-½ (113) Integralbot (2949)-Nitrik Asit (2849) Blitz 2024)* 18.Bc4 Nb6 19.Qe4 Nxc4 20.Qxc4 Be6 21.Nxe6 *(The argument that White has the better minor piece comes into question after 21.Qc3 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Qf4+ 23.Kb1 Bd5)* 21...Rxe6 22.b3 And so I'm afraid it's back to that usual debate is the black queenside isolani weaknesses enough for White to realistically get the full point? Well of course he or she (or 'it' in this case!) is welcome to try but with all things considered the answer is most likely 'No'! Re3 The problem is that White has weaknesses if their own with the f- and h-pawns stand outs. 23.f4 Rf3 24.Rhf1 *(24.f5!? Qf4+ 25.Qxf4 Rxf4 26.Rhe1 Ra7)* 24...Rxf1 25.Rxf1 Rd8 Of course Black is restricted a bit through having to guard c6 and a5, but it's still possible to get action elsewhere too. 26.Re1 Rd5 Further flexibility with Black eyeing up an ...h5 challenge. 27.Re4 h5 28.h3 e6 29.Qc3 Qb6 30.Kb2 c5 These two super engine

tussles in this line have merely reinforced my view that Black is okay although I'm not going to pretend that defending these situations is a thrilling concept! 31.Ka2 *(31.Rc4 Qc7 32.Ka2 Qa7 33.Qf6 Qc7 34.Qc3 hxg4 35.hxg4 Kf8 36.Qh8+ Ke7 37.Qh4+ Kd7 38.Qf6 Kc6 39.Re4 Qd7 40.Qc3 Kb6 41.Kb2 Qd6 42.Qc4 Qc6 43.Kc1 Kc7 44.Qe2 Qd6 45.Qb5 Qb6 46.Qe8 Rd7 47.Rc4 Qc6 48.Kb2 Qd5 49.Rc3 Qd4 50.Qa8 Kb6 51.Qb8+ Rb7 52.Qe8 Qd7 53.Qh8 Qd4 54.Qxd4 cxd4 55.Rc8 Rd7 56.Kc1 d3 57.c3 d2+ 58.Kd1 Rd3 59.b4 axb4 60.cxb4 Rb3 61.Rb8+ Ka7 62.Rb5 Rd3 63.a5 Rd4 64.Rb6 Rxf4 65.Kxd2 Rxg4 66.Kc3 Rg1 67.b5 g5 68.Rd6 Rc1+ 69.Kb3 g4 70.Rd3 Rc8 71.Rd7+ Kb8 72.a6 g3 73.b6 Rf8 74.Rb7+ Ka8 75.Ra7+ Kb8 76.Rb7+ Ka8 77.Ra7+ Kb8 78.Rb7+ ½-½ (78) Leelamultiposs (2957)-Nikitosikvariantsbot (2763) Blitz 2023)* 31...Qc7 32.Re5 hxg4 33.hxg4 Rxe5 34.Qxe5 Qb6 *(34...Qxe5?? 35.fxe5* would be a lost king and pawn ending for Black.*)* 35.Qc3 Qc7 36.Kb2 Qb6 And now Black just oscillates the queen, confident that White can't make progress. 37.Ka3 Kh7 38.Ka2 Qc7 39.Qe5 Qb6 40.Qf6 Qc7 41.Kb2 Kg8 42.Qe5 *(*Or *42.Kc3 Qb6* with a big check on b4.*)* 42...Qb6 43.Kc1 *(43.Qc3 Qc7 44.g5 Qb6 45.Qc4 Qc6 46.Qe2 Qb6 47.Ka2 Qc6 48.Qe5 Qb6 49.Qc3 Kh7 50.Qd3 Qc7 51.Qh3+ Kg7 52.Qe3 Kg8 53.Kb2 Qb6 54.Qc3 Qc7 55.Qe5 Qb6 56.Qc3 Qc7 57.Qd2 Qb6 58.Qd7 Kf8 59.Ka2 Kg7 60.Qd3 Kg8 61.Kb1 Qc7 62.Qc3 Qb6 63.Ka2 Qa7 64.Qe5 Qb6 65.Qf6 Qb8 66.Qc3 Qc7 67.Qd2 Kg7 68.Kb2 Qb6 69.Qd3 Kg8 70.Qe4 Kg7 71.Kc3 Kg8 72.Qa8+ Kg7 73.Qe4 Kg8 74.Qa8+ Kh7 75.Qh1+ Kg7 76.Kb2 c4 77.Qe4 cxb3 78.cxb3 Qf2+ 79.Kc3 Qc5+ 80.Kd3 Kh7 81.Qh1+ Kg8 82.Qa8+ Kh7 83.Qh1+ Kg8 84.Qa8+ Kh7 85.Qb7 Qf5+ 86.Qe4 Qc5 87.Qd4 Qc6 88.Kd2 Qg2+ 89.Kc3 Qf3+ 90.Kc4 Qc6+ 91.Kd3 Qf3+ 92.Qe3 Qd5+ 93.Kc2 Qc6+ 94.Kd2 Qb7 95.Qh3+ Kg8 96.Qe3 Kh7 97.Kc2 Qc6+ 98.Kb2 Qg2+ 99.Kc3 Qb7 100.Qe5 Qf3+ 101.Kc4 Qc6+ 102.Kd4 Qb7 103.Qxa5 Qxb3 104.Qb5 Qf3 105.Ke5 Qe3+ 106.Kf6 Qxf4+ 107.Ke7 e5 108.a5 e4 109.a6 e3 110.Kf8 Qd4 111.Kxf7 Qg7+ 112.Ke6 Qf8 113.a7 e2 114.Qxe2 Qc8+ 115.Kf7 Qf5+ 116.Ke8 Qc8+ 117.Kf7 Qf5+ 118.Ke8 Qc8+ 119.Ke7 Qc5+ 120.Kd8 Qd4+ 121.Kc7 Qxa7+ 122.Kc6* ½-½ (115)

Leelamultiposs (2811)-Raspfish (2853) Rapid 2023*)* 43...Kh7 44.Qc3 Kg8 45.Kb1 Kh7 46.Kb2 Kg8 47.Ka2 Kh7 48.Qd2 Kg8 49.g5 Qc7 50.Kb1 Qb6 51.Qd7 Kg7 52.Ka2 Kf8 53.Kb2 Kg7 54.Qb5 Qc7 55.b4 Finally a break! axb4 *(*The point being *55...cxb4?? 56.Qe5+! Qxe5+ 57.fxe5 Kf8 58.Kb3 Ke7 59.Kc4* and White bags the a-pawn and wins. *)* 56.a5 Qd6! Humans playing Black would no doubt worry about that passed a-pawn but engines don't have nerves and Black has all under control!

C2b1) Or 57.a6 Qd4+ 58.Ka2 *(*And not *58.Kb3?? Qc3+ 59.Ka2 Qxc2+ 60.Ka1 b3)* 58...Qd5+ 59.Kb2 Qd4+;

C2b2) Following 57.Qc4 then the engines shake metaphorical hands as they both appreciate that for example 57...Qc6 58.a6 Qb6 59.Qa2 Qd6 60.a7 Qd4+ 61.Kb3 Qd5+ 62.Kb2 Qd4+ is a draw. ½-½ (62) LCZero 0.31-dag-5350a2e-BT4-6 (3631)-Stockfish Dev F7 (3662) tcec-chess.com INT 2024 [Chris Ward]]

[15.Bc4 most popular and the rare

A) 15...Rd8 16.h4 *(16.Qc5 Be6 17.Kb1 Rab8 18.Bb3 Rb5 19.Qf2 Rb4 20.a3 Rb5 21.g3 Rdb8 22.Rhe1 Bf5 23.Ka2 Qa5 24.Qd2 Qa6 25.g4 Be6 26.Rxe6 fxe6 27.Qe2 c5 28.Nxc5 Nb4+ 29.Kb1 Rxc5 30.Qxe6+ Qxe6 31.Bxe6+ Kg7 32.axb4 Rxb4 33.Bd5 Rcb5 34.b3 a5 35.Kb2 a4 36.Kc3 axb3 37.cxb3 Kf6 38.Bc4 Rb6 39.h4 h6 40.Rd5 e6 41.g5+ hxg5 42.hxg5+ Ke7 43.Re5 Kd8 44.Bxe6 Rf4 45.Bd5 Rb5 46.Kd3 Rxf3+ 47.Kc4 Rxd5 48.Rxd5+ Kc7 49.b4 Rf4+ 50.Kc5 Rg4 51.b5 Rg1 52.b6+ Kc8 53.Kd6 Rc1 54.Rc5+ Rxc5 55.Kxc5 Kb7 56.Kb5 Kb8 57.Kc6 Kc8 58.Kd6 Kb7 59.Ke6 Kxb6 60.Kf6 Kc7 61.Kxg6 Kd7 62.Kf7 Kd6 63.g6 Ke5 64.g7 Kf5 65.g8Q Ke5 66.Qg6 Kf4 67.Qf6+ Ke3 68.Ke6 Ke2 69.Qe5+ Kd2 70.Qd5+ Kc1 71.Ke5 Kb1 72.Ke4 Kc1 73.Qc5+ Kb1 74.Kd4 Ka1 75.Kc3 Ka2 76.Qb5 Ka1 77.Qb2#* 1-0 (77) Calculatebetter (2834)-Lexus Rx,T (2668) Blitz 2024*)* 16...Rb8 *(16...Be6 17.Nc5 Nf4 18.Nxe6 Nxe6 19.Qe3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 Nxf4 21.g3 Nd5 22.Rd4 e6 23.Rhd1 Kf8 24.Ba6 Ke7 25.Bb7 Rab8 26.Bxc6 Ne3 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.Rxd8 Kxd8 29.b4 Nf5 30.a4 Nxg3 31.a5 Kc7 32.b5 Nf5 33.c4 Nd4 34.Be8 Nxf3 35.c5 Ne5 36.Kc2 Kb7 37.Kc3 f5 38.Kd4 Nf3+ 39.Kc4 Ne5+ 40.Kd4 Nf3+ 41.Ke3 Ne5 42.a6+ Kc7 43.Kd4 Nf3+ 44.Kc4 Ne5+ 45.Kd4 Nf3+ 46.Kc4 Ne5+ 47.Kd4* ½-½ (47) Austrian Attack (2823)-Etet1992 (2649) Blitz 2024*)* 17.h5 Bf5 18.hxg6 Bxg6 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Qg4 Rxd2 21.Nxb6 Rxc2+ 0-1 (21) Avalongamemaster (2843)-Hatembenarfa (2683) Blitz 2022;

B) 15...Rb8 16.Bb3 a5 17.g3 Rb4 18.Qc5 Rb5 19.Qf2 Nb6 20.Nxb6 Rxb6 21.h4 Be6 22.Bxe6 fxe6 23.Rhe1 c5 24.Re3 Rfb8 25.Rb3 c4 26.Rxb6 Rxb6 27.c3 Rd6 28.f4 Rxd1+ 29.Kxd1 Qc6 30.Qe2 Kf7 31.Kc2 h5 32.b3 a4 33.bxc4 Qc5 34.Kb2 Qb6+ 35.Ka3 Qc6 36.Kb4 Qd7 37.c5 Qb7+ 38.Kxa4 Qb1 39.c6 Qb6 40.Qb5 Qa7+ 41.Kb3 Qg1 42.c7 Qb1+ 43.Kc4 Qe4+ 44.Kc5 Qe3+ 45.Kc6 Qxc3+ 46.Kb7 Qf3+ 47.Kb8 Qxg3 48.c8Q Qxf4+ 49.Ka8 Qf3+ 50.Ka7 Qf2+ 51.Kb8 Qxa2 52.Qc7 Qf2 53.Qbc5 Qb2+ 54.Kc8 Qh8+ 55.Kb7 Qf6 56.Q7b6 Qf3+ 57.Qcc6 Qe2 58.Qbc5 Qb2+ 59.Kc8 Qh8+ 60.Kc7 Qe8 61.Qd7 Qf8 62.Qf2+ Kg7 63.Qxf8+ Kxf8 64.Kd8 Kf7 65.Qxe7+ Kg8 66.Qg5 Kf7 67.Kd7 e5 68.Kd6 e4 69.Qe7+ Kg8 70.Ke6 g5 71.Kf6 e3 72.Qg7# 1-0 (72) BabaRamdev (2814)-Baguliches (2654) Blitz 2023;

C) 15...Nb6 16.Bb3 Nxa4

C1) 17.Qxa4 c5 18.Rhe1 e6 19.h4 h5 20.Qe4 Bb7 21.Qe5 Qe7 22.Qg3 Kh7 23.Qf4 *(23.Qg5 Qxg5+ 24.hxg5 Rad8 25.Bc4 Kg7 26.b3 Rh8 27.Re5 Rxd1+ 28.Kxd1 Rc8 29.Kd2 Kf8 30.Ke3 Ke8 31.Kf4 Ke7 32.Re3 Rh8 33.a3 a5 34.Bb5 h4 35.Kg4 Bc8 36.Kh3 Rh5 37.f4 Rh8 38.Re4 Kd6 39.Re5 Bb7 40.Re3 Kc7 41.Rd3 Bc8 42.Kh2 Rf8 43.Rd1 Rg8 44.Rd3 Rf8 45.Rd2 Rg8 46.Rd1 Rf8 47.Rd2 Rh8 48.c3 Rf8 49.b4 axb4 50.cxb4 cxb4 51.axb4 Rh8 52.Rd4 Rg8 53.Rd1 Rf8 54.Ba4 Rg8 55.Bb5 Rf8 56.Rd4 Rh8 57.Ba4 Kb6 58.Rd6+ Kc7 59.Rd4 Kb6 60.Rd6+ Kc7 61.Rd2 Rf8 62.Rc2+ Kb8 63.Rd2 Kc7 64.Bb5 Rh8 65.Rd3 Rf8 66.Ba4 Rg8 67.Rc3+ Kb6 68.Rc6+ Kb7 69.Rc3 Kb6 70.Rc6+ Kb7 71.Rd6 Kc7 72.Rd4 Rh8 73.Rd3 Rg8 74.g3 Rh8 75.Rc3+ Kb8 76.gxh4 Rxh4+ 77.Kg3 Rh8 78.Rc5 Bb7 79.Bb5 Bd5 80.Ba6 Rh1 81.Rc8+ Ka7 82.Be2 Rg1+ 83.Kf2 Rb1 84.Rc7+ Kb6 85.Rxf7 Rxb4 86.Bd3 Kc5 87.Bxg6 e5 88.Rf5 Rxf4+ 89.Kg3 Rxf5 90.Bxf5 e4 91.Bxe4 Bf7 92.g6 Bxg6 ½-½ (92) Nikitosikbot (2845)-Kingfishbot (2751) Rapid 2023)* 23...Kg7 *(23...Rad8 24.c3 Kg7 25.Qe5+ Kg8 26.Qg3 Kg7 27.Qe5+ Kg8 28.Qg3 Kg7 29.Bc2 Rfe8 30.Qe5+ Kg8 31.Qg3 Kg7 32.Qe5+ Kg8 33.Qf4 Rd5 34.b3 Kg7 35.Rxd5 Bxd5 36.Kb2 e5 37.Qa4 Rd8 38.Qf4 Re8 39.Qe3 f5 40.Rd1 Bc6 41.Bd3 a5 42.Bc4 a4 43.Qd2 e4 44.fxe4 Qxe4 45.g3 axb3 46.axb3 Qe3 47.Qd6 Qf2+ 48.Rd2 Qe1 49.b4 Ra8 50.Qc7+ Kh6 51.Qf4+ Kh7 52.Qc7+ Kh6 53.Qf4+ Kh7 54.Qc7+ Kh6 ½-½ (54) Juroj (2840)-Raspfish (2833) Rapid 2023)* 24.g3 Rad8 25.Qe5+ Kh7 26.f4 Bf3 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.Bc4 Bg4 29.Bd3 f6 30.Qc3 Rd4 31.Re3 Bf5 32.Bxf5 gxf5

33.Qe1 Rd6 34.b3 Kg6 35.Kb2 Rc6 36.Qh1 Qc7 37.Qe1 Qe7 38.Qc3 c4 39.b4 Qd6 40.a3 Qd5 41.a4 Rd6 42.Re2 Qc6 43.a5 Rd1 44.Re1 Rd8 45.Ka3 Rd5 46.Re2 Rd1 47.Re1 Rd5 48.Kb2 Rd8 49.Ra1 a6 50.Ka3 Rd6 51.Kb2 Qb5 52.Rc1 Qc6 53.Re1 Rd8 54.Re2 Rd1 55.Re1 Rd6 56.Ra1 Qe4 57.Qe1 Qd4+ 58.Qc3 Qe4 59.Re1 Qc6 60.Ka3 Rd5 61.Qe3 e5 62.fxe5 Rxe5 63.Qc3 Re4 64.Rf1 Qe6 65.Rf3 Re1 66.Ka2 Qe2 67.Rf4 Qe8 68.Kb2 Re4 69.Rxe4 fxe4 70.Qxc4 e3 71.Qe2 Qe5+ 72.c3 Kh6 73.Qe1 e2 74.Kc2 Qe3 75.c4 Kg6 76.c5 Kf7 77.c6 Qe4+ 78.Kd2 Qxb4+ 79.Kxe2 Qb5+ 80.Kf2 Qxc6 81.Qb4 Kg7 82.Qe7+ Kg6 83.Qe2 Qc5+ 84.Kf1 Qf5+ 85.Kg1 Qxa5 86.Qe8+ Kg7 87.Qe7+ Kg8 88.Qe6+ Kg7 89.Qe7+ Kg6 90.Qe8+ Kg7 91.Qe7+ ½-½ (91) Torbot (2872)-Kayrakropro (2758) Blitz 2023;

C2) 17.Bxa4 c5 18.Qe3 Be6 19.h4 Rab8 20.h5 Qb6 21.b3 c4 22.Qxb6 Rxb6 23.Bd7 a5 24.h6 cxb3 25.axb3 f6 26.Rhe1 Kf7 27.Ba4 Rc8 28.Re3 g5 29.Rde1 Rc7 30.Kb2 Bf5 31.c4 e5 32.Bb5 Kg6 33.Ra1 Bd7 34.Bxd7 Rxd7 35.Rxa5 Rd2+ 36.Ka3 Rxg2 37.c5 Rb8 38.Rc3 Rg1 39.Kb2 Rg2+ 40.Ka3 Rg1 41.Kb2 Rg2+ 42.Rc2 Rxc2+ 43.Kxc2 Kxh6 44.c6 Rc8 45.Rc5 Kg6 46.b4 h5 47.b5 h4 48.b6 h3 49.b7 Rh8 50.Rd5 h2 51.Rd1 e4 52.c7 1-0 (52) Drhotpotato (2911)-Nozdrachev,V (2839) Blitz 2021]

15...Rd8

[Centralising the rook is most obvious although 15...Nb6 has something to be said for it too. Naturally Black would love to arrange ...axb6 to de-isolate his pawns but nevertheless 16.Nc3 *(16.Be2 Be6 17.Nc3 Rab8 18.Qc5 Rfe8 19.Rhe1 Nd7 20.Qe3 Nf6 21.Na4 Qa5 22.b3 Rb4 23.Bf1 Rxa4 24.bxa4 Bxa2 25.Qa3 Be6 26.Re3 Rb8 27.Qc3 Qb6 28.a5 Qb7 29.Qe5 Qb1+ 30.Kd2 Qb4+ 31.Kc1 Qb1+ 32.Kd2 Qb4+ 33.Qc3 Qd6+ 34.Ke1 Nd5 35.Qe5 Qb4+ 36.c3 Qb2 37.Red3 Rb3 38.Qe2 Qxe2+ 39.Bxe2 Bf5 40.Rd4 Ra3 41.g4 Nxc3 42.gxf5 Nxd1 43.Rxd1 Rxa5 44.fxg6 hxg6 45.h3 Rh5 46.Bf1 a5 47.Rd7 e6 48.Ra7 Rc5 49.Kd2 Kg7 50.Ke3 Rc3+ 51.Kf4 Ra3 52.Ba6 Ra4+ 53.Kg3 Ra1 54.Bc8 Kf8 55.Ra8 Ke7 56.Ra7+ Kf8 57.Bd7* ½-½ (57) Nimsilubot (2980)-Torombot (3057) Rapid 2024*)* 16...c5 17.Qe3 Bb7 18.Be2 *(18.Nb5 Qc6 19.Be2 c4 20.Nc3 Rfe8 21.Rd2 Rac8 22.Rhd1 Kg7 23.f4 Qc5 24.Qxc5 Rxc5 25.Rd8 Rxd8 26.Rxd8 Kf6 27.Kd2 e5 28.fxe5+ Rxe5 29.Rd4 Rc5 30.Rh4 h5 31.Rf4+ Ke7 32.Ke3 Rc8 33.Rf1 Rc6 34.Rd1 Re6+ 35.Kd4 a5 36.Rf1 Rc6 37.Nb5 Rc8 38.Nc3 Rc6 39.h4 Re6 40.Rf4 f5 41.Rf1 Be4 42.Rc1 Ba8 43.Rg1 Kf6 44.Rd1 Be4 45.Rd2 Rd6+ 46.Ke3 Rxd2 47.Kxd2 Ke5 48.Bf1 f4 49.gxf4+ Kxf4 50.Nxe4 Kxe4 51.b3 cxb3 52.cxb3 Kf4 53.Bg2 Kg3 54.Be4 Kxh4 55.Bxg6 Kg5 56.Bxh5 Kxh5 57.a3 a4*

58.bxa4 Nxa4 59.Kc1 Kh6 60.Kb1 Kh7 61.Ka1 Kh8 62.Kb1 Kg8 63.Ka1 Kh8 64.Kb1 Kg8 65.Ka1 Kh8 ½-½ (65) Yobot V2 (2871)-Raspfish (2840) Rapid 2023*)* 18...e6 left Black with reasonable development and 19.Nb5 Qe7 20.Rhe1 equal chances in Bernal Varela,N (2402)-Pascual Perez,N (2427) LSS email 2021]

[Alternatively 15...Bf5 16.Bc4 Rfd8 17.Bb3 Rd6 18.Rhe1 Rad8 19.Qe5 h5 20.a3 Qa5 21.Qe2 Be6 also seemed fine for Black who after 22.h4 Nc7! 23.Bxe6 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 25.Qxd1 Nxe6 26.Nc3 Qe5 even had the favourable ending in Deac,B (2621)-Lalic,B (2411) Benasque 2019.]

16.Qc5

[16.Bc4 would be a direct transposition to what we've seen before with Chris Ward: '!?' '!?' Chris Ward: '(to cover the f4-square)' Bh3 of course a viable (but not forced!) option. but advancing the g-pawn immediately is a rarity. Nevertheless the ideas behind it are similar to when it is deployed a move later i.e. to cover the f4-square and not keep the king's rook tied down to guarding the h2-pawn. Chris Ward: '!' '!' Chris Ward: 'is the fascinating and provocative line that we have invested a bit of time on. ' Chris Ward: 'is the fascinating and provocative line that we have invested a bit of time on.' 17.Qe4 Bf5 18.Qe2 Nb4 19.Bb3 c5 20.a3 c4 21.Qxc4 Qxc4 22.Bxc4 Nxc2 23.g4 Nxa3 24.Bxf7+ Kxf7 25.bxa3 Rdc8+ 26.Kd2 Bc2 0-1 (26) Mothandtheflame (2812)-Amagaduae (2721) Blitz 2022]

Though Black wasn't threatening a discovered attack yet, the white queen voluntarily moves but to a square where it scrutinises Black's weak pawns and keeps the black queen out of a5. 16...Rd6

[16...Be6 17.Bc4 Rd6 18.Rhe1 Rad8 19.b3 R6d7 20.Be2 *(20.Re4 h5 21.Bd3 Bh3 22.Rh4 Be6 23.Re1 Rd6 24.Kb2 a5 25.Nc3 Ra8 26.g4 a4 27.gxh5 a3+ 28.Kc1 Ra5 29.Nxd5 Rxd5 30.Qg1 Rg5 31.Qf2 gxh5 32.f4 Rg4 33.f5 Bxf5 34.Bxf5 Rxh4 35.Bh7+ Kg7 36.Qxh4 Kxh7 37.Rxe7 Qd6 38.Rxf7+ Kg6 39.Rf3 Qe6 40.Rg3+ Kh7 41.Qd4 Qe1+ 42.Qd1 Qxd1+ 43.Kxd1 Rd5+ 44.Ke2 c5 45.c3 Re5+ 46.Kd3 Rd5+ 47.Kc4 Rd2 48.Rh3 Kg6 49.Kxc5 Rxa2 50.Kb4 Kg5 51.c4 h4 52.Rc3 Rxh2 53.Kxa3* 1-0 (53) Caissa,X (2864)-Arasanx (2698) Blitz 2023 *)* 20...Bf5 21.f4 Rb8 22.Nc3 e6 23.Bf3 h5 <-< (23) Kubicki,T (2490)-Benz,G (2513) ICCF email 2020 is a useful correspondence reference, alongside our main game suggesting that Black isn't really being troubled.]

[16...Bf5 17.Bc4 Rac8 18.Rhe1 h5 *(18...Rd6 19.b3 Be6 20.Rd4 Qd8 21.Red1 Rc7 22.Qa5 Ne3 23.Rxd6 exd6 24.Rd4 Bxc4 25.bxc4 Qf6 26.Rf4 Qa1+ 27.Kd2 Nf1+ 28.Ke2 Re7+ 29.Re4 Rxe4+ 30.fxe4 Nxh2 31.Qd8+ Kg7 32.Qxd6 Qf1+ 33.Kd2 Qxc4 34.Nc3 Nf3+ 35.Kc1 Qxc3 36.g4 h6 37.Kb1 a5 38.a4 Nd2+ 39.Kc1 Nc4 40.Qc5 Qa1#* 0-1 (40) Mikegscarn (2809)-Greekboyka (2686) Blitz 2021*)* 19.Ba6 Rb8 20.Bc4 Rdc8 21.Rd2 e6 22.Bb3 Rb5 23.Qg1 c5 24.c4 Rxb3 25.axb3 Nb4 26.g4 Nd3+ 27.Rxd3

Bxd3 28.Qe3 Rd8 29.Qe5 Qxe5 30.Rxe5 hxg4 31.fxg4 f5 32.Nxc5 fxg4 33.Nxd3 Rxd3 34.Rxe6 Kf7 35.Re4 Rxb3 36.Rf4+ Kg7 37.Rxg4 Rh3 38.Rg2 Kf6 39.Kc2 a5 40.b3 Rh8 41.Kb2 Rh5 42.Ka3 Kf5 43.Ka4 Kf6 44.b4 axb4 45.Kxb4 1-0 (45) Torombot (2941)-Arasanx (2917) Rapid 2023]

17.Bc4 Nb6 The main point behind Black's last move was to facilitate the moving of the knight and that's exactly what happens! 18.Bb3

[18.Rxd6 exd6 19.Qa5 Bd7 20.Re1 Re8 21.Rxe8+ Bxe8 would just be equal with instead 20...Rc8 a plausible unpinning option.]

[18.Nc3 Nxc4 19.Qxc4 Be6 20.Qc5 Rad8 21.b3 h5 22.Rhe1 Qb6 23.Re5 Kf8 24.Qe3 Rxd1+ 25.Nxd1 Rd6 26.Nc3 Qxe3+ 27.Rxe3 Ke8 28.Ne4 Rd4 29.Nc3 Kd8 30.Re5 Kc7 31.a3 Rd7 32.Re2 Bf5 33.Na4 f6 34.f4 Bg4 35.Re1 Kd6 36.Nb2 c5 37.Nc4+ Kc6 38.Kb2 Bf5 39.Kc3 Kb5 40.Re2 Bg4 41.Re1 Bf5 42.Re3 Kc6 43.Nd2 Kb6 44.Nc4+ Kb5 45.Re1 Kc6 46.Nd2 Kd5 47.Re3 Kc6 48.Re2 Kb5 49.Ne4 Kc6 50.Nf2 Rc7 51.Re1 Kd5 52.Nd1 Rd7 53.Nf2 Kc6 54.Re2 Rc7 55.Re3 Rb7 56.Nd3 Rd7 57.Re2 Kb6 58.Re3 Kb5 59.Nf2 Rc7 60.Re1 Kc6 61.Nd1 Rd7 62.Ne3 Be6 63.Re2 Bh3 64.Nc4 Bg4 65.Re4 Bf5 66.Na5+ Kb6 67.Nc4+ Kc6 68.Re2 Bg4 69.Re3 Bf5 70.Nd2 Kd5 71.Re1 Kc6 72.Nf3 Kd5 73.Kb2 Rb7 74.Nd2 Rd7 75.Nf3 Rb7 76.Nd2 Kc6 77.Nc4 Rd7 78.Re2 Kb5 79.Ne3 Be6 80.Re1 Kc6 81.Ng2 Bg4 82.Kc3 Bf5 83.Nh4 Kd5 84.Nxf5 gxf5 85.b4 cxb4+ 86.axb4 Rc7+ 87.Kd3 e5 88.c3 e4+ 89.Kc2 a5 90.bxa5 Kc5 91.Ra1 Ra7 92.h4 Kb5 93.Rb1+ Kc5 94.Ra1 Kb5 95.Rb1+ Kc5 96.Rb6 Rxa5 97.Rxf6 Kc4 98.Rc6+ Kd5 99.Rf6 Kc4 100.Rc6+ Kd5 101.Rc8 Ra1 102.Rf8 Kc4 103.Rc8+ Kd5 104.Rf8 Kc4 105.Kd2 Ra2+ 106.Ke3 Ra5 107.Rc8+ Kb3 108.Rh8 Kxc3 109.Rxh5 Kc4 110.Rxf5 Rxf5 111.Kxe4 Rf8 112.g4 Re8+ 113.Kf3 Kd5 114.h5 Rh8 115.Ke3 Rh7 116.Kf3 Rh6 117.Ke3 Rc6 118.g5 Rc3+ 119.Kf2 Ke4 120.h6 Rc8 121.Kg3 Kf5 122.Kf3 Re8 123.Kg3 Re4 124.Kh3 Re8 125.Kg3 Rc8 126.Kf3 Rc2 127.Kg3 Kg6 128.Kf3 Rb2 129.Kg3 Rd2 130.Kf3 Rb2 131.Kg3 Rb4 132.Kf3 Rb6 133.Ke2 Rb2+ 134.Kf3 Rb4 135.Kg3 Rd4 136.Kf3 Kf5 137.Kg3 Kg6 138.Kf3 Kf5 139.Kg3 Ra4 140.Kh3 Ra3+ 141.Kg2 Kg6 142.Kf2 Rd3 143.Kg2 Ra3 144.Kf2 Ra4 145.Kf3 Rc4 146.Kg3 Kh7 147.Kf3 Rc1 148.Ke2 Rh1 149.Kf2 Ra1 150.Ke2 Ra2+ 151.Ke3 Ra1 152.Ke2 Kg6 153.Kf2 Rh1 154.Kg2 Rh5 155.Kf2 Rh1 156.Kg2 Rh5 157.Kf2 Rh2+ 158.Kf3 Rh3+ 159.Kf2 Rh2+ 160.Kf3 Kf5 161.Kg3 Re2 162.Kf3 Re4 163.Kg3 Rc4 164.Kh3 Kg6 165.Kg3 Rc3+ 166.Kf2 Rh3 167.Kg2 Rh5 ½-½ (167) Nikitosikbot (2870)-Thecheckmatemachine (2850) Blitz 2023]

18...Be6 Most straightforward before White got in Rhe1.

[Needless to say 18...Rxd1+? 19.Rxd1 Nxa4? 20.Bxa4 are the sort of simplifications that White would love leaving him with domination of

key lines and pressurising those blatant weak points. Of course Black is not as obliging!]

19.Bxe6

[Looking to re-route the knight has some merit but after 19.Nc3 Rad8 20.Bxe6 Rxe6 21.Rxd8+ Qxd8 22.Rd1 Qc7 it's not clear for example that 23.Nb5 gets White anywhere with Qc8 *(23...Qb7 24.Nd4 Rd6* also doesn't look like a problem for Black. *)* 24.Nxa7 *(*Hence just *24.Nc3* repeating.*)* 24...Qb7 *(24...Qa6 25.Nxc6 Qxa2 26.Qxb6? Qa1+ 27.Kd2 Rd6+ 28.Nd4 Qxd1+ 29.Kxd1 Rxb6* would be nice but White has 26 b3! instead.*)* 25.Rd8+ Kg7 26.Qc3+ f6 leaving the white steed as a bit of a liability.]

19...Rxe6 20.Nc3 Re5 Dislodging the queen whilst helping to tussle for the d5-square. 21.Qd4 Rh5 We're not talking your average engines here but this is still a computer type move. Not an unactive one though (scrutinising the h2-pawn and vacating the e5-square for other purposes)! 22.Rd3

[I can't but help feel that most humans would have preferred 22.Rd2 instead over-protecting the h2-pawn. Black of course retains the queenside isolanis (I often feel like repeating that phrase throughout annotations in this line!) but the likes of22...Nd5 bring mischievous counterplay.]

22...Rb8

[Equally then 22...Nd5 but instead Black holds back on this for now.]

23.Qe4 a5

[The fact that Black eschews 23...Nd5 24.Nxd5 cxd5 25.Rxd5 Rxb2! 26.Kxb2 *(*or *26.Rxh5 Qb6!* obviously bringing ...Rb1+ into play*))* 26...Qb7+ suggests that Black can't be worse.]

[Indeed 23...e6 bolstering that d5-square also looks reasonable.]

24.a3 e6 After the deep a-pawn advances, now Black deploys this.

25.Kb1 Nd5 26.Na4

[Upon 26.Nxd5 cxd5 from a structural perspective, suddenly Black would be for preference! Instead then White logically turns to the c5-square.]

26...Nb6 27.Nc3 Nd5 28.Na4 Nb6 29.f4 To it's credit, White avoids the repetition but although Black could obviously err, there is no tangible edge. 29...Nxa4 30.Qxa4 e5

[30...c5 threatening ...Qb7 must also be a candidate with 31.Rd7 Qc8 32.Rhd1 c4 rather murky!]

31.fxe5 Qxe5 Yes those weaknesses remain on c6 and a5 but Black is active, currently of course threatening mate on b2! 32.b3 Rb5 Amusingly shutting out the white queen... 33.Qg4 which continues to seek action. 33...Kg7 34.a4 Rd5 35.Rxd5 Qxd5 36.Rd1 Qe5 That original ...Rh5 coming into play now with the h2-pawn en prise! 37.h4 c5 Suddenly with the likes of ... Rf5 and ...Qc3 available, White has to be a little careful. 38.Rf1 Qe6 Hardly prompting a thrilling end to the game, but undoubtably a fair one! 39.Qxe6 All rook and pawn endgames are drawn!? Respect! ½-½ (39) Stockfish Dev F7 (3662)-LCZero 0.31-dag-5350a2e-BT4-6 (3631) tcec-chess.com INT 2024 [Chris Ward]

9.g4 Be6
[9...Nxd4 10.Bxd4
A) 10...Be6 11.h4
A1) 11...Qa5 12.h5 Rfc8 13.a3 *(13.Bd3 Bc4 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Qh2 e5 16.Be3 Bxd3 17.cxd3 d5 18.Bh6 Rxc3 19.bxc3 Qxc3+ 20.Kf2 Qxd3 21.Rad1 Qc2+ 22.Rd2 Qc5+ 23.Kg2 dxe4 24.Bxg7 exf3+ 25.Kxf3 e4+ 26.Kg2 Nh5 27.gxh5 Qg5+ 28.Kf1 Rc8 29.Bb2 e3 30.hxg6 Qf5+ 31.Ke2 Qg4+ 32.Kxe3 Re8+ 33.Be5 Qg5+ 34.Kd4 Qg4+ 35.Kc3 Rc8+ 36.Kb2 Qc4 37.Qh8#* 1-0 (37) Pionulcel Viteaz (2814)-Niper13 (2631) Blitz 2022*)* 13...Bc4 14.h6 Bh8 15.g5 Nd7 16.Bxh8 Kxh8 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Nd5 Qxd2+ 19.Kxd2 e6 20.Nf6 Nxf6 21.gxf6 Kg8 22.Rad1 Kf8 23.c3 Ke8 24.Ke3 Rc6 25.f4 Rd8 26.e5 dxe5 27.Rxd8+ Kxd8 28.fxe5 Rc7 29.Rh4 Rd7 30.a4 Kc7 31.Rc4+ Kb8 32.a5 a6 33.b4 Rd5 34.Ke4 Rd7 35.Rd4 Rxd4+ 36.Kxd4 Kc7 37.c4 Kc6 38.Kd3 b6 39.axb6 Kxb6 40.Kc3 a5 41.c5+ Kb5 42.bxa5 Kxc5 43.Kd3 Kb5 44.Kd4 Kxa5 45.Kc5 g5 46.Kd6 g4 47.Ke7 g3 48.Kxf7 g2 49.Ke7 g1Q 50.f7 Qg5+ 51.Kxe6 Qxh6+ 52.Ke7 Qg5+ 53.Ke6 Qg7 54.Ke7 Qxe5+ 0-1 (54) Airevenge (2856)-Niper13 (2742) Blitz 2022;
A2) 11...h5 12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.gxh5 Nxh5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.f4 Bg4 16.Be2 Bxe2 17.Nxe2 Qc7 18.f5 Qc4 19.Kb1 Rg8 20.Nd4 Kh7 21.Rhg1 b6 22.a3 Nf6 23.Rde1 Rc5 24.Nf3 Kg7 25.fxg6 fxg6 26.e5 Ne4 27.Qg2 Kh8 28.Re3 Rb5 29.Ka1 dxe5 30.Rge1 Nd6 31.Nxe5 Qe6 32.Qe2 Qf5 33.Nc6 Qh5 34.Qd2 Nf5 35.Rxe7 Qf3 36.Nd8 Rd5 37.Nf7+ Kg7 38.Ng5+ Nxe7 39.Rxe7+ Kf8 40.Qb4 Rc5 41.Qe1 Rxg5 42.hxg5 Qd1+ 43.Qxd1 Kxe7 44.Qe1+ Kf7 45.Qe5 b5 46.Qc7+ Ke6 47.Qh7 Re8 48.Qxg6+ Kd7 49.Qf7+ Re7 50.Qd5+ Kc7 51.Qc5+ Kd7 52.Qxb5+ Kc7 53.g6 Kd6 54.Qg5 a6 55.g7 Re1+ 56.Ka2 Re8 57.Qf6+ Kd7 58.Qf7+ Kd8 59.b4 a5 60.b5 Rg8 61.b6 Rxg7 62.Qxg7 Ke8 63.b7 a4 64.b8Q# 1-0 (64) Arasanx (3024)-Cheng (2667) Rapid 2024;
B) 10...Qa5 11.h4 h5 12.g5 Ne8 13.Bxg7 Nxg7 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.0-0-0 Be6 16.Kb1 *(16.a3 Bxd5 17.exd5 Rc8 18.Bh3 Rc4 19.f4 a5 20.b3 Rc5 21.Kb1 Qc7 22.Rhe1 b5 23.Re3 a4 24.b4 Rc4 25.Qf2 Qa7 26.Qf3 Rb8 27.Rd2 Ra8 28.Bf1 Rd4 29.Rxd4 Qxd4 30.Bxb5 Nf5 31.Rd3 Qg1+ 32.Rd1 Qh2 33.Rh1 Qd2 34.Rd1 Qh2 35.Bc6 Rc8 36.Kb2 Nxh4 37.Qe4 Nf5 38.Bxa4 Qf2 39.Rd3 Kg7 40.Bc6 h4 41.Qc4 Qf1 42.Qc3+ f6 43.Rf3 Qg1 44.b5 Rh8 45.a4 Qg4 46.Bd7 h3 47.Re3 Nxe3 48.Bxg4 Nxg4 49.Qe1 Re8 50.gxf6+ Nxf6 51.a5 h2 52.a6 Nxd5 53.Qh1 Rh8 54.Qxd5 h1Q 55.Qxh1 Rxh1 56.a7 Rh8 57.b6 Ra8 58.Kc3 Kf6*

59.Kb4 Kf5 60.Kb5 Kxf4 61.b7 Rxa7 62.b8Q Ra2 63.Qf8+ Kg3 64.Qxe7 d5 65.Qf6 Ra8 66.Qxg6+ Kf4 67.Qd6+ Ke3 68.Qe5+ Kf2 69.c4 Rf8 70.c5 Kf1 71.c6 d4 72.c7 d3 73.Qd6 Rc8 74.Qf6+ Kg2 75.Qg5+ Kf3 76.Qf5+ Ke3 77.Qxc8 d2 78.Qg4 d1Q 79.Qxd1 Kf2 80.c8Q Ke3 81.Qcg4 Kf2 82.Qgf3# 1-0 (82) Caissa Ai (2968)-Aks Mantissa (2675) Blitz 2023*)* 16...Bxd5 17.exd5 Rc8 18.Bh3 Rc4 19.f4 Qc7 20.Rhf1 Re4 21.Rde1 Rxe1+ 22.Rxe1 Re8 23.Qd4 b6 24.Qe4 Qc5 25.a4 Qf2 26.Rf1 Qxh4 27.Bd7 Rf8 28.Qxe7 Qh2 29.Qxd6 Qg2 30.Re1 h4 31.f5 Nxf5 32.Bxf5 gxf5 33.g6 Qxg6 34.Qe7 h3 35.d6 h2 36.d7 Qg2 37.Qxf8+ Kxf8 38.d8Q+ Kg7 39.Qd4+ Kh7 40.Qh4+ Kg7 41.Rd1 b5 42.axb5 Qg4 43.Qe1 f4 44.Ka2 Qg5 45.Qc3+ Kh7 46.Qh3+ Qh6 47.Qg2 Qh4 48.Rh1 Qg3 49.Rxh2+ Kg7 50.Qd2 Qf3 51.Qd6 f6 52.Qd7+ Kg6 53.Rh8 Kg5 54.Rg8+ Kh4 55.Qf5 a6 56.Qxf6+ Kh3 57.Qh8+ Qh5 58.Qxh5# 1-0 (58) Arasanx (3044)-Aks Mantissa (2817) Rapid 2024]

[9...h5 10.h3 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Be6 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5 Rb8 14.0-0-0 b5 15.Kb1 h4 16.Qe1 Nd7 17.g5 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 Qb6 19.Rxh4 Qc5 20.Rh6 Qxd5 21.h4 Qxf3 22.Bd3 Ne5 23.h5 Nxd3 24.cxd3 Qxd3+ 25.Ka1 e5 26.Qh4 Qc4 27.Qh3 Rfc8 28.Rb1 gxh5 29.Qf5 Qf4 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Rf6 Qc4 32.g6 Rc7 33.gxf7 Rxf7 34.Qh8+ Ke7 35.Rxf7+ Kxf7 36.Qxb8 Ke7 37.Rd1 Qe6 38.Qxa7+ Qd7 39.Qb8 b4 40.Rg1 Ke6 41.Qg8+ Qf7 42.Qxf7+ Kxf7 43.a4 bxa3 44.bxa3 Ke6 45.a4 Kd7 46.a5 d5 47.a6 Kc7 48.Rb1 d4 49.a7 Kd6 50.a8Q Kc5 51.Qa5+ Kc4 52.Qb5+ Kc3 53.Rb2 h4 54.Qb3# 1-0 (54) Caissa,X (2954)-Aks Mantissa (2697) Blitz 2024]

[9...Bxg4 10.Be2 *(10.fxg4 Nxg4 11.Bg1 Rc8 12.Be2 Nge5 13.0-0-0 Na5 14.b3 a6 15.Kb1 e6 16.h4 h5 17.Na4 b5 18.Nb2 Nac6 19.Nxc6 Rxc6 20.Nd3 Qc7 21.Nb4 Rc3 22.Qxd6 Qa5 23.Bd4* 1-0 (23) Nichega (2822)-Smurf42 (2623) Blitz 2023 *)* 10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Bh5 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Kb1 Rfc8 14.Rhg1 a6 15.f4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 Bxe2 19.Re1 Bg4 20.Nc3 Kf8 21.Nd5 Bf5 22.Re2 Rc5 23.b4 Rc6 24.Kb2 Rac8 25.Ne3 e6 26.h4 d5 27.a3 Be4 28.Rdd2 h5 29.Rf2 Rc3 30.Rfe2 b6 31.Re1 a5 32.Ree2 axb4 33.axb4 b5 34.Rd4 R3c6 35.Rdd2 Ra8 36.Nd1 Rca6 37.Nc3 Bf5 38.Nxb5 Rb6 39.c4 dxc4 40.Nd4 Rxb4+ 41.Kc3 Rba4 42.Nxf5 gxf5 43.Rd7 Ra3+ 44.Kxc4 R8a4+ 45.Kb5 Rxf4 46.Rc2 Rb3+ 47.Ka5 Rf1 48.Ka4 Rb8 49.Ra2 Rfb1 50.Ra7 R1b4+ 51.Ka3 R4b5 52.Ka4 f4 53.Rf2 e5 54.Rc2 Rb4+ 55.Ka5 Rb1 56.Ra2 f3 57.Ka6 f2 58.Rxf7+ Kxf7 59.Rxf2+ Ke7 60.Ka7 R8b3 61.Ra2 Ke6 62.Ra5 Kf5 63.Ra6 e4 64.Ra5+ Kf4 65.Ra4 Ke3 66.Ra6 Kd3 67.Ra4 e3 68.Ra6 Kc2 69.Rd6 Kb2 70.Rc6 Ra1+ 71.Ra6 Rxa6+ 72.Kxa6 e2 73.Ka7 e1Q 74.Ka6 Qa1# 0-1 (74) Tuzakli Egitim (2921)-Workmouse1 (2764) Blitz 2025]

[9...a6 10.h4 h5 *(10...Bd7 11.h5*

b5 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.Kb1 b4 14.Nce2 Ne5 15.Nf4 Rac8 16.g5 Nxf3 17.Nxf3 Nxe4 18.Qh2 Ba4 19.Bd3 b3 20.cxb3 Bxb3 21.axb3 Bxb2 22.Qxb2 Nc3+ 23.Qxc3 Rxc3 24.Nd4 e5 0-1 (24) The Appleboy (2862)-Am Pink Queen,I (2754) Blitz 2022 *)* 11.gxh5 Nxh5 12.0-0-0 Bd7 13.Rg1 e6 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Bh6 Kh7 16.Bg5 Qa5 17.Kb1 d5 18.exd5 Bxc3 19.Qxc3 Qxc3 20.bxc3 Bxd5 21.c4 Bxf3 22.Rd6 Kg7 23.Bd3 Rae8 24.Bd2 e5 25.Bxg6 fxg6 26.Rgxg6+ Kf7 27.Bg5 Bc6 28.Rh6 Rh8 29.Kc1 Rxh6 30.Rxh6 Nf4 31.Rh7+ Kg6 32.Rh6+ Kf5 33.Rf6+ Kg4 34.Kd2 Rd8+ 35.Ke3 Rd4 0-1 (35) Nindja64 (2894)-Prof Chess With Me (2728) Blitz 2021]

[9...Nd7 10.0-0-0 Bxd4 11.Bxd4 Nxd4 12.Qxd4 Ne5 13.Be2 Qa5 14.h4 Be6 15.f4 Nc6 16.Qe3 Bxa2 17.h5 Rac8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Qh3 Rf7 20.g5 Rc7 21.Nb5 Nb4 22.Nxc7 Qxc7 23.Rd2 Qa5 24.f5 Be6 25.Rd4 Qa1+ 26.Kd2 Qxb2 27.Qc3 Qxc3+ 28.Kxc3 Nd5+ 29.exd5 Bxf5 30.Kd2 a6 31.Rf4 Rf8 32.Bd3 Rf7 33.Bxf5 gxf5 34.Ke3 a5 35.Rfh4 Rg7 36.Kf4 b6 37.Rb1 Rf7 38.Rxb6 Rf8 39.Rb7 Rf7 40.Rb8+ Kg7 41.Rh1 a4 42.Ra8 a3 43.Rxa3 e5+ 44.dxe6 Rc7 45.Ra5 Kg6 46.Rh6+ Kg7 47.Kxf5 d5 48.Rf6 d4 49.Rd5 Rc8 50.Rd7+ Kg8 51.e7 Re8 52.Rd8 Kg7 53.Rxe8 h6 54.gxh6+ Kh7 55.Kg5 d3 56.Rf7# 1-0 (56) Arasanx (2870)-Pseudo (2365) Rapid 2023]

[9...d5 10.g5 Nh5 11.exd5 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 e5 14.Qg1 Bf5 15.0-0-0 Rc8 16.Qe3 Re8 17.Bb5 Bd7 18.Bxd7 Qxd7 19.Qxa7 Nf4 20.Ne4 Qc7 21.c3 Red8 22.d6 Qc4 23.d7 Ra8 24.Qxa8 Rxa8 25.d8Q+ Rxd8 26.Rxd8+ Kg7 27.Nf6 1-0 (27) Chessbot2021 (2822)-Karenamini Kish (2642) Rapid 2020]

Chris Ward: 'Nevertheless in a tussle between two such high profile players, I have to take this game seriously and allow the paranoia to kick in over White opting for the text rather than the well analysed on this site' 10.Nxe6 Chris Ward: 'especially with Black responding with'

[10.h4 Anyone who has ever watched Magnus's blitz games will know that the World Champion doesn't exactly panic too much from a theoretical perspective. Sure he doesn't want to start with a bad position but ultimately it is the final winning outcome that is his concern and in the fast format of the game, he generally isn't too worried about how he gets there!

A) _____ when in practice Black has scored well with the logical (reacting to opponent's wing play with action in the centre) John Emms: 'The alternative is' 10...d5! On that of course you will find plenty in the archives. 11.0-0-0 *(11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.0-0-0 Qa5 13.g5 Nxe4 14.fxe4 d4 15.Bxd4 Nxd4 16.Kb1 Rac8 17.Ne2 Qc5 18.Nxd4 Bxd4 19.Bh3 Rf2 20.Qxd4 Qxc2+ 21.Ka1* 1-0 (21) Tuzakli Egitim (2835)-Bulletcoach (2616) Blitz 2024*)* 11...dxe4 12.Nxe6 Qxd2+ 13.Bxd2 fxe6 14.g5 Nd5 15.Nxe4 Rxf3 16.Bh3 Kh8 17.Bxe6 Ne3 18.Rde1 Nd4 19.Rxe3 Rxe3

20.Bxe3 Nxe6 21.Rd1 Rd8 22.Rxd8+ Nxd8 23.Bxa7 Nc6 24.Bf2 h5 25.a4 Kg8 26.Nc5 Nd8 27.a5 Kf7 28.Nxb7 Nc6 29.a6 Ke6 30.b4 1-0 (30) Durarbayli (2850)-Suhov549 (2561) Rapid 2022;

B) 10...h5?! John Emms: 'This very natural knight move, eyeing the c5-square, is in fact a novelty.'

B1) There aren't a lot of practical outings of this position but a notable one is: 11.g5 Nd7 12.f4 *(*Upon *12.Nxe6* John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'the immediate' *12...fxe6* definitely possible is 13 f4!? to keep the black knights at bay but John Emms: '!?' John Emms: 'might be more dangerous:' *13.Bh3 Nde5 14.Bxe6+ Kh7* feels comfortable for Black with a safe looking king. *)* 12...Nb6 13.f5 Bd7 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Bd4 gxf5 16.Bxg7 John Emms: '(P.Nielsen-A.Kveinys, Gistrup 1997) and here' Kxg7 John Emms: '!' John Emms: '(Ward)' 17.0-0-0 fxe4 John Emms: 'would give Black good counterplay on the light squares.' 18.Nxe4 and good compensation for the pawn in Morris,M (2295)-Shahade,J Concord 1995. John Emms: '?' John Emms: 'runs into';

B2) The immediate 11.gxh5 may transpose with however Nxd4 John Emms: '⩲' John Emms: 'A.Hovenga-S.Van Eijk, Hoogeveen 2008.' 12.Bxd4 John Emms: '?' Nxh5 13.Bxg7 John Emms: '?' Kxg7 being another avenue open to Black. John Emms: '±';

B3) 11.Nxe6 fxe6

B3a) This feels unnecessarily committal to me with the flexible 12.0-0-0!? preferable. Then hxg4 John Emms: 'intending' 13.fxg4 *(* Intriguing and more ambitious then is *13.f4!?* with very reasonable play for the pawn. *)* 13...Nxg4 John Emms: '!' 14.Bh3 Nxe3 15.Bxe6+ Kh7 16.h5 is dangerous. Black needs to keep that h-file closed and is worse but still in the game after g5 John Emms: 'or' 17.Qxe3;

B3b) Alternatively 12.g5 Nd7 and now John Emms: '±' John Emms: 'Previously Black has played' 13.f4! would transpose to above notes. John Emms: ', blocking Ba3 ideas. For example,';

B3c) 12.gxh5?! Nxh5 John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'The pressure on c3 is annoying for White, and for this reason Ivanchuk delays the ...e5 advance.' 13.0-0-0 *(*Upon *13.Rg1* Black has *Ne5* guarding g6 whilst handily eyeing up f3*.)* 13...Qa5! John Emms: 'Trying to keep it blocked, and White also has to worry about ...f3 too.' *(* Now though John Emms: 'Occupying c5 too quickly plays into White's hands:' *13...Rxf3?! 14.Rg1!* could be awkward for Black who has to deal with Rxg6 as

well as the simple Be2. Instead Black rightly activates his queen, far more effective with the Dragon bishop also focused on c3.) 14.Rg1 *(14.Bc4!? Bxc3 15.Bxe6+ Kh7 16.Qxc3 Qxc3* John Emms: 'with excellent play.' *17.bxc3 Rxf3 18.Bg5* would be dynamically balanced. White has the bishop pair on an open board but with a significantly worse pawn structure. John Emms: '!?' *)*

B3c1) 14...Bxc3! White can't get away with keeping queens on now given the strength of 15 bxc3?! Ne5! and so 15.Qxc3 *(15.Rxg6+?* simply drops material to John Emms: 'Black can sac the exchange back:' *Kf7* John Emms: '!*')* 15...Qxc3 16.bxc3 Ne5 when twinned with the f-file rook, the black knights clamp key squares. Now for example 17.Bd4 Kf7 John Emms: '=' John Emms: 'After' 18.Bxe5 John Emms: '!?' dxe5 19.Rd7 Rab8 would, with . . .Rfc8 or d8 and ...Nf4 soon, nicely favour Black.;

B3c2) 14...Kh7? Offering White options that needn't be given. Instead accurate is 15.f4 Keeping the black knight out of e5. Instead *(15.Qg2 Ne5 16.Qg5* John Emms: '!' *Rac8* (naturally teeing up ... Rxc3) *17.f4 Bh6* John Emms: 'is still possible, but Carlsen aims for more.' *18.Qxe7+* John Emms: 'is logical:' *Rf7 19.Qxe6 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Nxf4* definitely offers some reasonable compensation for the exchange with *21.Qxd6?? Qxc3* practically winning for Black. *)* 15...Bxc3 16.Qxc3? John Emms: 'It looks like Carlsen is ready to crash through with c4-c5, but...' *(* Very surprising. Clearly the most threatening option now is *16.bxc3!?* The white king isn't in too much danger itself whereas preserving the queens is surely the way for White to go regards exploiting the black king position. For example after *Qxa2 17.Qg2 Rg8 18.Qg5* suddenly 19 f4-f5 is a big threat whilst a Bd3 would help guard c2 and potentially cast further scrutiny against g6.*)* 16...Qxc3 John Emms: '!!' John Emms: 'Wonderful defensive resilience from Ivanchuk. Now c4-c5 runs into ... Ba6, and Black also has the possibility of regrouping with ...Ba6, ... Nb7, ... d6 and ...Nd7, killing White's ambitions on the queenside.' 17.bxc3 e5?! *(* In contrast the endgame scenario is fine for Black and I can't see any good reason why the

obvious *17...Nxf4* wasn't played here. If required Black could have secured his knight on f4 with the text after grabbing the pawn. I just can't see what Black was worried about or even an incorrectly imagined ghost. I'm totally flummoxed! John Emms: '!?' John Emms: 'might be stronger, e.g.') 18.f5! *(18.fxe5* John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'does the same to White's bishop. This is a weird position. Black is probably going . ..h5-h4, so' *Nxe5* would be more than fine for Black and so the text is definitely White's best option. John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'looks best.') 18...gxf5 19.exf5 Rg8 *(*Of course not *19...Rxf5?? 20.Bd3)* 20.Rg5 White knows that if he can de-isolate those kingside pawns then they might become a serious threat. Nf6? *(* Regards my last comment, that remains true but nevertheless Black could have got away with *20...Rxg5 21.hxg5* because of John Emms: '!' *Ng3!* with *22.Bd3 Rf8 23.f6+* John Emms: ' ∓' *e4* dissolving the troublesome pairing. Alas with the new knight placement that is something that can no longer be achieved. John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'stops the knight coming to a6 and kills it, but then') 21.Bc4! John Emms: 'An exchange sac. Carlsen wants to incarcerate Black's knight, but he doesn't quite manage to do so.' Rxg5 *(*Given *21...Rg7 22.Rdg1* , an unavoidable trade. John Emms: '!') 22.hxg5 Ng4 23.Rh1+ Kg7 24.Bd2 Preserving the bishop with Rh4 now a serious threat to help trap the caught behind enemy lines black knight Rh8 25.Rg1 John Emms: '?' Nh2 John Emms: '!' John Emms: 'Escape!' 26.Bd5 The h2-knight is a bit of a lemon! Rh3 27.Rh1 Rh8 28.Kb2 e4 29.Bf4 Ng4 John Emms: '!' 30.Bxe4 Rxh1 31.Bxh1 An ultra attractive bishop pair and an extra pawn (well sort of!) the rest is just a matter of technique. Nf2 John Emms: '∓' John Emms: 'This knight has undergone a remarkable transformation! With both players likely short of time here, some easier wins and more resilient defences are missed, but Ivanchuk never really loses control from this point.' 32.Bd5 Nd1+ 33.Kb3 Na5+ 34.Kb4 b6 35.f6+ Although this wasn't necessary now! exf6 36.gxf6+ Kxf6 37.Bxd6 Ne3 38.c4 Nf5 39.Bb8

Ne7 40.Kb5 Nc8 41.Bxa7 Cute! Nxa7+ 42.Kxb6 N7c6 43.Bxc6 Nxc4+ John Emms: '!' 44.Kc5 Na3 45.c4 Ke7 46.Bd5 Kd7 47.Be4 John Emms: '-+!' Nc2 48.Bxc2 1-0 (48) Carlsen,M (2862)-Firouzja,A (2749) lichess.org INT 2021 The Week in Chess 1373 [Chris Ward] John Emms: '-+']

10...fxe6 11.0-0-0 Ne5

[11...Ne8 12.f4 Qa5 13.Bc4 Nd8 14.Nb1 Qa4 15.Qd3 Rc8 16.Bb3 Qc6 *(16...Qa5 17.h4 Nf6 18.h5 Qa6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Qd2 Qc6 21.Nc3 Nxe4 22.Nxe4 Qxe4 23.c3 Qf3 24.f5 Qxg4 25.Rdg1 Qxf5 26.Bc2 Qd5 27.Qh2 Qh5 28.Qg2 Qe5 29.Qxg6 Qxe3+ 30.Kb1 Qxg1+ 31.Rxg1 Rf7 32.Qh7+ Kf8 33.Bg6 Rc7 34.Bxf7 Kxf7 35.Qh5+ Kf8 36.Rf1+ Bf6 37.Qh8+ Kf7 38.Qxd8 Rc5 39.Rg1 Rg5 40.Rxg5 Bxg5 41.Qa5 b5 42.Qxa7 e5 43.Qb7 Ke8 44.Qxb5+ Kf7 45.a4 Ke6 46.Qe2 d5 47.a5 Kd6 48.Qa6+ Kd7 49.Qa7+ Ke6 50.Qb6+ Kf5 51.a6 Bf6 52.a7 e4 53.Qf2+ Ke6 54.a8Q Kf7 55.Qf5 e6 56.Qb7+ Kf8 57.Qxf6+ Kg8 58.Qfg7#* 1-0 (58) Arasanx (2850)-Pseudo (2387) Rapid 2023*)* 17.Na3 Nf6 18.Nb5 Qxe4 19.Qxe4 Nxe4 20.Nxa7 Ra8 21.Nb5 Rc8 22.c3 Nc5 23.Bc2 Bh6 24.g5 Bg7 25.h4 e5 26.fxe5 Bxe5 27.Kb1 Bf4 28.Bd4 Nce6 29.Bb3 Rf5 30.a4 Be5 31.Bxe5 Rxe5 32.Rhe1 Rcc5 33.Nd4 Kf7 34.Ba2 b6 35.b4 Rxc3 36.Rxe5 dxe5 37.Nxe6 Nxe6 38.Rf1+ Ke8 39.Bxe6 Rd3 40.Rc1 Rd8 41.Rc8 Rxc8 42.Bxc8 Kd8 43.Be6 e4 44.Kc2 Kc7 45.Kd2 Kd6 46.Bg8 e6 47.Bxh7 Ke5 48.Bxg6 Kf4 49.Bxe4 Kxe4 50.g6 Kf4 51.g7 Ke4 52.g8Q Kd5 53.h5 Kd6 54.h6 b5 55.h7 e5 56.h8Q bxa4 57.Qf6+ Kc7 58.Qgd8+ Kb7 59.Qfb6# 1-0 (59) Caissa Ai (2966)-Pseudo (2367) Rapid 2023]

[11...Qa5 12.Kb1 Nd7 13.Bc4 Nd8 14.f4 Bxc3 15.Qxc3 Qxc3 16.bxc3 Rc8 17.Bb3 Nc5 18.Bxc5 Rxc5 19.f5 Kg7 20.fxe6 Rxc3 21.e5 dxe5 22.Rd7 Re8 23.Rhd1 Nc6 24.Rxb7 Nd4 25.Rxa7 Kf6 26.h4 h6 27.Rf1+ Rf3 28.Rxf3+ Nxf3 29.Bd5 Nxh4 30.a4 h5 31.gxh5 gxh5 32.a5 Nf5 33.a6 Ne3 34.Be4 Nc4 35.Ka2 Nd6 36.Bd5 e4 37.Kb2 h4 38.Rc7 h3 39.Rc3 Rh8 40.Rxh3 Rxh3 41.a7 Rh8 42.a8Q Rxa8 43.Bxa8 Kxe6 44.Kc3 Ke5 45.Kd2 Nf5 46.c3 Nd6 47.Bc6 e6 48.Ba4 Nf5 49.Bb3 e3+ 50.Kd3 Kf4 51.Bxe6 Ng3 52.Bh3 Ne4 53.Bf1 Nxc3 54.Kxc3 Kf3 55.Kd3 e2 56.Bxe2+ ½-½ (56) Cruel_Yaro (2874)-Mischuk,D (2682) Blitz 2022]

12.Be2 Qc8

[12...Qa5 13.Kb1 Rac8 14.Nb5 Qxd2 15.Bxd2 a6 16.Nd4 Kf7 17.g5 *(17.c3 Nc4 18.Bc1 e5 19.Nc2 Nb6 20.h4 h5 21.g5 Nfd7 22.Rh2 Ke6 23.Nb4 Kf7 24.Be3 Nc4 25.Bc1 Ncb6 26.Bf1 Ke8 27.Rf2 Nc5 28.Be3 Nbd7 29.Bh3 Rf7 30.Bxc5 Rxc5 31.Be6 Rf8 32.Rdf1 Rc7 33.Nd3 Rh8 34.f4 Nf8 35.Bb3 e6 36.f5 gxf5 37.exf5 exf5 38.Rxf5 Re7 39.Nb4 Rd7 40.Nd5 b5 41.Nf6+ Bxf6 42.Rxf6 Rd8 43.Bd5 Kd7 44.Rf7+ Kc8 45.Ra7 Rd7 46.Rxf8+ Rxf8 47.Ra8+ Kc7 48.Rxf8 e4 49.Bxe4 Re7 50.Bf3 Re1+*

51.Kc2 a5 52.g6 Rg1 53.Rf7+ Kb6 54.g7 Rg3 55.Bxh5 Kc6 56.Bf3+ d5 57.h5 Kd6 58.h6 Ke6 59.Ra7 Kd6 60.h7 Rxf3 61.g8Q Rf2+ 62.Kd3 Rf3+ 63.Ke2 Rf2+ 64.Kxf2 Kc5 65.h8Q d4 66.Qxd4+ Kc6 67.Qg2# Normal 1-0 (67) Caissa,X (2948)-Pseudo (2351) Blitz 2024*)* 17...Nfd7 18.Bc1 Nc4 19.Bf1 Bxd4 20.Rxd4 b5 21.Rd1 Nc5 22.h4 Na4 23.Re1 Kg7 24.f4 e5 25.Bh3 Rc6 26.f5 gxf5 27.exf5 e4 28.Rhg1 d5 29.Rg3 Nd6 30.Rf1 Nb6 31.f6+ Kf7 32.h5 exf6 33.Rxf6+ Ke8 34.Re6+ Kd8 35.g6 hxg6 36.Rgxg6 Kc7 37.h6 Nbc4 38.b3 Rf7 39.bxc4 bxc4 40.Rg7 Rb6+ 41.Ka1 Rxg7 42.hxg7 Rb8 43.Bf4 Rg8 44.Rxd6 Kb7 45.Rg6 Rxg7 46.Rxg7+ Kb6 47.Be3+ Kc6 48.Rd7 c3 49.Kb1 a5 50.Bf5 a4 51.a3 d4 52.Bxd4 e3 53.Bxe3 Kb5 54.Rd6 Ka5 55.Rd5+ Ka6 56.Bc8# 1-0 (56) Arasanx (3052)-Pseudo (2502) Rapid 2024]

13.h4

[13.Kb1 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.e5 Nb6 17.Bd4 dxe5 18.fxe5 Qc6 19.b3 Qf3 20.h3 Rac8 21.Rdf1 Qc6 22.Rxf8+ Rxf8 23.Re1 Nd7 24.Kb2 Qf3 25.Qh2 a6 26.Ne4 b5 27.a3 a5 28.c3 a4 29.b4 Qd3 30.Nc5 Nxc5 31.bxc5 Bh6 32.h4 Rf4 33.Qc2 Qc4 34.g5 Bg7 35.Qe2 Qb3+ 36.Ka1 Rxd4 37.cxd4 Qxa3+ 38.Kb1 Qb4+ 39.Kc2 Qb3+ 40.Kd2 a3 41.Qd1 Qc4 42.Ke3 Qc3+ 43.Ke2 a2 44.Qa1 Qc2+ 45.Ke3 Qb3+ 46.Kf2 Qh3 47.Ke2 Qxh4 48.Kd3 Qg3+ 49.Kc2 Qg2+ 50.Kb3 Qd5+ 51.Kc2 b4 52.Qd1 h5 53.Kb2 h4 54.Qd3 h3 55.c6 Qxc6 56.Qxh3 Qc4 57.Qe3 b3 58.Qf2 Qd3 59.Rc1 Kh7 60.Rh1+ Kg8 61.Rc1 Kh7 62.Qf4 Qh3 63.Rg1 Qd3 64.Rc1 Qh3 65.Rd1 Kg8 66.Rf1 Qg2+ 67.Kxb3 Kh7 68.Rc1 Qe2 69.Qh4+ Kg8 70.Qh3 Qa6 71.Qf1 Qa8 72.Kb2 Bf8 73.Qf4 Bg7 74.Ka1 Qb7 75.Qg4 Qd7 76.Qe4 1-0 (76) Remstalbot (3037)-Arasanx (2981) Blitz 2024]

[13.a3 Nfd7 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.e5 Rad8 17.exd6 Nb6 18.dxe7 Rxd2 19.exf8R+ Kxf8 20.Bxd2 Qc6 21.Rhg1 Nc4 22.Rg3 Qb6 23.b3 Qc5 24.bxc4 Qxa3+ 25.Kb1 Qb4+ 26.Ka2 Qxc4+ 27.Ka3 Qc5+ 28.Kb2 b5 29.Rd3 Qb4+ 30.Ka1 Qa5+ 31.Kb1 Qb4+ 32.Ka1 Qa4+ 33.Kb1 Qb4+ 34.Ka1 ½-½ (34) Expositor (2839)-Arasanx (3022) Rapid 2024]

13...Ne8

[13...Nfd7 14.h5 *(14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.e5 Rad8 17.exd6 Nf6 18.Qd4 Qxd4 19.Bxd4 exd6 20.Rhg1 Ne8 21.Ne2 Bxd4 22.Rxd4 d5 23.Ra4 a6 24.Rb4 Rd7 25.h5 Nf6 26.hxg6 hxg6 27.Nd4 Kf7 28.Rb6 Re8 29.f5 e5 30.g5 Ne4 31.fxg6+ Kg8 32.Nf5 Rf8 33.Nh6+ Kg7 34.Nf7* 1-0 (34) Djuric,M (2853)-Civin,T (2061) IECC email 2021*)* 14...Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.hxg6 Rxf3 *(16...hxg6 17.f4 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rac8 19.e5 Qxc3 20.Qxc3 Rxc3 21.exd6 exd6 22.Rxd6 Rxe3 23.Rxd7 Rf7 24.Rxf7 Kxf7 25.Rh7+ Kf6 26.Rxb7 Re4 27.Rb5 Rxf4 28.g5+ Ke7 29.Rb7+ Kd6 30.Rg7 Rg4 31.Rxg6 Ke5 32.Kb2 Kf5 33.Rf6+ Ke5 34.Rg6 Kf5 35.Rf6+ Ke5 36.Rf7 Rxg5 37.Rxa7 Rg1 38.Rd7 Rf1 39.c4 Rg1 40.a4 Rg8 41.Rd2 Rg7 42.Rd8 Ra7 43.Kb3 Rb7+ 44.Kc3 Ra7 45.Kb4 Rb7+*

46.Ka3 Rc7 47.Kb4 Rb7+ 48.Kc5 Ra7 49.Kb5 Rb7+ 50.Ka5 Ra7+ 51.Kb5 Rb7+ 52.Kc5 Ra7 53.Kb6 Rxa4 54.c5 Ra1 55.c6 Rb1+ 56.Kc5 Rc1+ 57.Kb6 Rb1+ 58.Ka5 Rc1 59.Kb5 Rb1+ 60.Ka4 Ra1+ 61.Kb5 Rc1 62.Re8 Rc2 63.Kb6 Rb2+ 64.Kc7 Kf5 65.Kd7 Rd2+ 66.Ke7 Rc2 67.Kd6 Rd2+ 68.Ke7 Rc2 69.Rf8+ Ke4 70.Kd6 e5 71.c7 Kd4 72.c8Q Rxc8 73.Rxc8 e4 74.Rc1 e3 75.Rd1+ Kc3 76.Ke5 Kc2 77.Ra1 Kd2 78.Kd4 e2 79.Ra2+ Kd1 80.Ra1+ Kd2 81.Ra2+ Kd1 82.Kd3 e1N+ 83.Kd4 Kc1 84.Ke3 Kb1 85.Re2 Nc2+ 86.Kd2 Nb4 87.Re4 Na2 88.Re5 Kb2 89.Rb5+ Ka3 90.Kd3 Ka4 91.Kc4 Nc1 92.Rb6 Ka3 93.Rb1 Na2 94.Rb8 Nc1 95.Rb1 Na2 96.Rb5 Ka4 97.Rb3 Nc1 98.Rb1 Na2 99.Ra1 Ka3 100.Rb1 Ka4 101.Rb5 Nc1 102.Rb2 Ka3 103.Rb4 Na2 104.Rb5 Ka4 105.Rb6 Ka3 106.Rb3+ Ka4 107.Rd3 Nc1 108.Rc3 Na2 109.Rf3 Nc1 110.Rf6 Ka3 111.Rb6 Na2 112.Rc6 Nc1 113.Rc5 Kb2 114.Rg5 Na2 115.Rg1 Ka3 116.Ra1 Kb2 117.Re1 Nc3 118.Re7 Nd1 119.Kd3 Ka3 120.Rb7 Nb2+ 121.Kc3 Na4+ 122.Kc4 Nb2+ 123.Kd4 Na4 124.Kc4 Nb2+ 125.Kc3 Na4+ 126.Kc4 ½-½ (126) Bitbybyte (2873)-Torombot (3059) Rapid 2024) 17.gxh7+ Kh8 18.g5 Ne5 19.Bd4 Nd3+ 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Bxg7+ Kxg7 22.cxd3 Qc5 23.Kb1 b5 24.g6 b4 25.Ne2 Qf2 26.Nc1 Rc8 27.Rdf1 Qc2+ 28.Ka1 a5 29.Nb3 Qxd3 30.Rf7+ Kxg6 31.Rf2 Qg3 32.Rff1 Qd3 33.Nxa5 Kg7 34.h8Q+ Rxh8 35.Rfg1+ Kf7 36.Rxh8 Qa6 37.Nc6 b3 38.a3 Qc4 39.Rh7+ Ke8 40.Rg8+ Kd7 41.Rxe7+ Kxc6 42.Rc8+ Kb5 43.Rxc4 Kxc4 44.Rxe6 d5 45.Rc6+ Kd4 46.exd5 Ke5 47.a4 Ke4 48.a5 Ke3 49.a6 Kd4 50.d6 Ke3 51.a7 Kf4 52.a8Q Ke3 53.d7 Ke2 54.d8Q Kf2 55.Rc1 Kg3 56.Qh4+ Kxh4 57.Rg1 Kh5 58.Qh1# 1-0 (58) Super Sketchy (2891)-Frozenightengine (2614) Rapid 2023]

14.h5 Nxf3 15.Bxf3 Rxf3 16.Qe2 Rf7 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Qd3 b6 19.e5 Bxe5 20.Qxg6+ Rg7 21.Qh6 Nf6 22.g5 Rh7 23.Qg6+ Rg7 24.Qd3 Ng4 25.Rh4 Nxe3 26.Qxe3 Qf8 27.Qh3 Rxg5 28.Rf1 Qc8 29.Ne4 Rg6 30.Rg4 Qe8 31.Ng5 Rg7 32.Rh1 Bxb2+ 33.Kb1 Rxg5 34.Rxg5+ Qg6 35.Rxg6+ Bg7 36.Qxe6+ Kf8 37.Rh8+ Bxh8 38.Qg8# 1-0 (38) Arasanx (3066)-Phalanx Xxv (2487) Rapid 2025

9.Nb3 d5

[9...Be6 10.0-0-0 Ne5 11.Bh6 Rc8 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.h4 h5 14.Kb1 Bxb3 15.cxb3 Qa5 16.Be2 Rc7 17.f4 Neg4 18.Bxg4 Nxg4 19.Nd5 Qxd2 20.Rxd2 Rd7 21.Rc1 Rfd8 22.b4 e6 23.Nc3 d5 24.exd5 exd5 25.Rd4 Ne3 26.g3 Nf5 27.Rd3 d4 28.Ne4 Re7 29.Nc5 b6 30.Nb3 Re3 31.Rcd1 Rxg3 32.Rxg3 Nxg3 33.Nxd4 Kf6 34.Kc2 Nf5 35.Nc6 Ne3+ 0-1 (35) Dmdonch (2817)-Fastlikethewind (2699) Blitz 2022]

10.exd5 Ne5 11.0-0-0 Bf5 12.Be2 Rc8 13.g4 Bd7 14.Bh6 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.h4 a5 17.h5 a4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Qh6+ Kg8 21.Nd2 Rxc3 22.Ne4 Rxc2+ 23.Kxc2 Qc7+ 24.Kb1 Bb5 25.Nxf6+ exf6 26.d6 Qd7 27.Rhe1 a3 28.Re7 1-0 (28) Vistagausta (2831)-Sanjaypune (2629) Blitz 2023

126 **9...Nxd4** 10.Bxd4 Qa5
[And we soon reach a position which is more typically reached via And we soon reach a position which is more typically reached via 10...Be6 Chris Ward: 'with instead the approach of 'I'll move my c8-bishop when I'm good and ready'. To be fair that thought has often crossed my mind regards the move 9...Bd7 as aside from vacating c8 for a rook it isn't exactly a candidate for developing move of the year award!'
A) with 11.Bb3 being more popular in practice. Qa5
A1) 12.h4 Rfc8 *(12...Bxb3 13.cxb3 b5 14.h5 b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.exd5 e5 18.Kf2 Rac8 19.Kg3 Rc7 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Rac1 Rfc8 22.Rc6 Rd8 23.Qg5 Rdd7 24.Qh6+ Kg8 25.Rhc1 Rxc6 26.dxc6 Rf7 27.Qg5 Qc7 28.Qg4 a5 29.Qe6 Kg7 30.Qd5 Qe7 31.Kf2 Qh4+ 32.Kg1 Qf4 33.Re1 Qd4+ 34.Qxd4 exd4 35.Rc1 Rc7 36.Kf1 Kf6 37.Ke2 Ke5 38.Kd3 Kd5 39.Rc4 Rxc6 40.Rxd4+ Ke5 41.Rh4 h5 42.Re4+ Kf5 43.Rd4 g5 44.Rd5+ Kg6 45.Rxa5 h4 46.Rb5 Rc1 47.Rxb4 Rg1 48.Rg4 Rxg2 49.Rxg2 Kf5 50.Rg4 h3 51.Rg3 g4 52.fxg4+ Kf4 53.Rxh3 Kxg4 54.Re3 Kf4 55.Re4+ Kf5 56.Rd4 d5 57.Rxd5+ Ke6 58.Kc4 1-0 (58) Konstantin Tarlev (2824)-Chessiando (2805) Blitz 2022)* 13.h5 Bxb3 14.cxb3 Rc6 *(14...b5 15.h6 Bh8 16.a3 e5 17.b4 exd4 18.bxa5 dxc3 19.Qxd6 cxb2 20.Rb1 Nh5 21.g4 Rd8 22.Qh2 Bc3+ 23.Kf1 Nf6 24.Rxb2 Rd1+ 25.Kg2 Rxh1 26.Kxh1 Rd8 27.Qc7 Rd1+ 28.Kg2 1-0 (28) Dmitrijiiigm (2862)-Loin Sn (2923) Blitz 2025)* 15.h6 Bh8 16.0-0-0 Qxa2 17.Kc2 Qa5 18.Kb1 Ra6 19.g4 Rc8 20.g5 Nd7 21.Bxh8 Kxh8 22.Qd4+ Kg8 23.Qg7# 1-0 (23) Dmitrijiiigm (2875)-Loin Sn (2910) Blitz 2025;
A2) 12.0-0
A2a) 12...Nd7
A2a1) 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Rfd1 *(14.Kh1 a6 15.Rfc1 Rfc8 16.Rd1 Rc7 17.Qd4+ Qe5 18.Qe3 Nf6 19.f4 Qc5 20.Qxc5 Rxc5 21.g3 Rac8 22.Kg2 b5 23.Kf3 b4 24.Na4 Bxb3 25.cxb3 Rc2 26.h3 g5 27.e5 dxe5 28.fxg5 Ne8 29.Nb6 R8c5 30.Nc4 Nd6 31.Nxd6 exd6 32.Rxd6 Rxb2 33.Kg4 Rg2 34.Rd3 Rc3 35.Rxc3 bxc3 36.Rc1 Rxa2 37.Rxc3 Ra3 38.Kf5 a5 39.Kxe5 a4 40.Rc4 Rxb3 41.Rxa4 Rxg3 42.h4 Rf3 43.h5 f6+ 44.gxf6+ Rxf6 45.Ra7+ Rf7 46.h6+ Kg6 47.Rxf7 Kxf7 48.Kf5 Ke7 49.Ke5 Kf7 50.Kf5 Ke7 51.Ke5 Kf7 ½-½ (51) Maybenotit (2830)-winamp (2811) Blitz 2025)* 14...Ne5 15.Qd4 Qb6 16.f4 Qxd4+ 17.Rxd4 Nc6 18.Rd2 Rac8 19.Rf1 Na5 20.f5 Bc4 21.Re1 b5 22.e5 b4 23.f6+ exf6 24.exf6+ Kxf6 25.Ne4+

Kg7 26.Nxd6 Rc5 27.Re7 Nxb3 28.axb3 Be6 29.Rxa7 Kg8 30.Rb7 Ra8 31.h3 Ra2 32.Rb8+ Kg7 33.Ne8+ Kh6 34.Rxb4 g5 35.c4 Re5 36.Rb5 Re1+ 37.Kh2 Raa1 38.Nf6 Kg6 39.Nd5 h5 40.h4 Rh1+ 41.Kg3 gxh4+ 42.Kf4 Raf1+ 43.Ke5 h3 44.gxh3 Bxh3 45.Rb6+ Be6 46.Nf4+ Kg7 47.Rg2+ Kh6 48.Nxe6 Re1+ 49.Kd5 Rxe6 50.Rxe6+ fxe6+ 51.Kxe6 h4 52.c5 h3 53.Rg3 h2 54.Rh3+ Kg5 55.Kd6 Rd1+ 56.Kc7 h1Q 57.Rxh1 Rxh1 58.b4 Kf6 59.b5 Ke6 60.b6 Rb1 61.b7 Rxb2 62.c6 Rb4 63.b8Q Kd5 64.Qxb4 1-0 (64) John Captain Price (2837)-Satranc365 Speed Run (2722) Blitz 2022;

A2a2) 13.Kh1 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Rac8 15.Rae1 Qc5 16.Qd2 Nb6 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Bxc4 19.Rf3 b5 20.a3 a5 21.Nd1 Be6 22.Ne3 b4 23.axb4 Qxb4 24.c3 Qb7 25.f5 Bb3 26.Ng4 Rc4 27.f6 Rxe4 28.fxe7 Rxe7 29.Nf6+ Kg7 30.Ref1 Qb5 31.Qxd6 Re6 32.Qd4 Qe5 33.Nd7 Qxd4 34.cxd4 Rd8 35.Nc5 Bc4 36.Rxf7+ Kh6 37.Nxe6 Bxe6 38.R7f4 a4 39.h3 Kg5 40.Re4 Bc4 41.Rf2 Bd3 42.Re5+ Kh6 43.Rd2 Bf5 44.d5 Kg5 45.Re7 h5 46.d6 Kf6 47.Ra7 h4 48.Rxa4 Kg5 49.d7 Kh5 50.Rad4 Kg5 51.b4 Kf6 52.b5 1-0 (52) Durarbayli (2898)-Teddybear2005 (2608) Rapid 2022;

A2b) 12...b5 13.Rfe1 *(13.Rfd1 b4 14.Ne2 Qb5 15.a4 Qb7 16.Bxe6 fxe6 17.c4 Nd7 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nd4 Nc5 20.Qe3 e5 21.Nb3 Rac8 22.Nxc5 Rxc5 23.b3 a5 24.Ra2 Qd7 25.Qxc5* 1-0 (25) Azumilover (2949)-Yearofwhiterabbit (2716) Blitz 2023*; 13.Rad1 Rfc8 14.Kh1 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Nd7 17.Rfe1 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Re8 19.Re2 Qc5 20.Qh4 Nf6 21.Ba4 Red8 22.Rxe7 Nxd5 23.Re4 Ne3 24.Re1 Nf5 25.Qf6 d5 26.R4e2 Qd6 27.Qg5 h6 28.Qd2 a5 29.Re5 d4 30.R1e4 Rac8 31.Qd3 Kg7 32.Rxa5 Rc7 33.Bb3 Re7 34.Rd5 Qb8 35.Rxd8 Qxd8 36.Kg1 Ne3 37.Qxd4+ Qxd4 38.Rxd4 h5 39.Rxb4 h4 40.Rxh4 Nf5 41.Re4 Rd7 42.Kf2 Rd2+ 43.Re2 Rd1 44.a4 Rb1 45.a5 Ra1 46.Re5 Nd4 47.Rd5 Nc6 48.Rd7 Nxa5 49.Rxf7+ Kh6 50.Rf8 Rb1 51.h4 Rxb2 52.Kg3 Nc6 53.Kh3 Nd4 54.Rf7 Rb1 55.Rd7 Nf5 56.Kg4 Ra1 57.f4 Ra5 58.g3 Ne3+ 59.Kf3 Nf5 60.Rd3 Rc5 61.Ke4 Rc7 62.Bd5 Re7+ 63.Kf3 Kg7 64.c4 Nh6 65.c5 Nf5 66.c6 Kf6 67.g4 Rc7 68.gxf5 gxf5 69.h5 Ra7 70.h6 Ra1 71.Rc3 Rf1+ 72.Kg2 Rxf4 73.c7 Rg4+*

74.Kf3 Rh4 75.c8Q Rh3+ 76.Ke2 Kg5 77.Rxh3 Kf4 78.Rf3+ Ke5 79.Qxf5+ Kd4 80.Be4 Kc4 81.Qd5+ Kb4 82.Rb3+ Ka4 83.Qb5# 1-0 (83) Silence404 (2896)-Drstrange8 (2700) Blitz 2024; *13.Kh1 b4 14.Ne2 Qb5 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.c3 a5 17.Rac1 Rac8 18.b3 Nxe4 19.fxe4 Rxf1+ 20.Rxf1 bxc3 21.Qe1 c2 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Nc1 Qe5 24.h3 h5 25.Kg1 Qd4+ 26.Qf2 e5 27.Re1 Rc3 28.Ne2 Qd2 29.Nc1 Qd1 30.Qe2 Qd4+ 31.Kh1 a4 32.bxa4 Qxa4 33.Rf1 Qd4 34.a4 Qxa4 35.Qf2 Qe8 36.Qe1 Rc8 37.Qf2 Kh7 38.Qe3 Qg8 39.Ne2 Rf8 40.Rc1 Qc4 41.Kh2 Rf6 42.Ng1 Rf1 43.Nf3* 1-0 (43) Svodmevko (2835)-Drop Stone (2800) Blitz 2022 *)* 13...Rfc8 14.Rad1 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Rc7 17.a4 h5 18.Kh1 Kh7 19.Re2 Bh6 20.Qd3 Nxd5 21.g3 e6 22.Rde1 Ne7 23.Bf6 Nf5 24.g4 hxg4 25.fxg4 Ng7 26.Qxd6 Ne8 27.Qe5 Rc5 28.Qe4 Nxf6 29.Qxa8 Nxg4 30.Qf3 f5 31.Rxe6 Bg5 32.Qh3+ Kg7 33.Qg3 Qc7 34.Qxc7+ Rxc7 35.Kg2 f4 36.R1e2 Ne3+ 37.Kf3 Nf5 38.Rd2 Nh4+ 39.Kg4 Bf6 40.Kxf4 g5+ 41.Kg4 Ng6 42.Rdd6 Ne5+ 43.Kf5 Nd7 44.Rxd7+ Rxd7 45.Rxf6 Rd2 46.Rg6+ Kh7 47.Rxg5 Rxh2 48.Kf6 Kh6 49.Rf5 Re2 50.Re5 Rd2 51.Ke6 Rf2 52.Kd5 Kg6 53.Re6+ 1-0 (53) Muisback (3002)-Southafricanwolf (2703) Blitz 2022;

B) 11.Be2 Qa5 12.0-0 Rfc8 13.a3 Bc4 14.Rfd1 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 a6 16.Rab1 Nh5 17.Qf2 Bxd4 18.Rxd4 Nf4 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.Rxd5 Qa4 21.c3 Qb3 22.Rbd1 Rc6 23.R1d4 a5 24.h4 Rb6 25.Rd2 Rb5 26.h5 Rc8 27.h6 f6 28.Qe2 Rxd5 29.Rxd5 Rc5 30.Rxc5 dxc5 31.Qd2 Kf7 32.Kh2 g5 33.Qd8 Qxb2 34.Qh8 Kg6 35.Qg7+ Kh5 36.Kh3 1-0 (36) Saraci,N (2839)-Cl3tvsK4s4dy (2719) Blitz 2023;

C) 11.Bxe6 fxe6

C1) 12.0-0

C1a) 12...Nd7

C1a1) 13.Rad1 Bxd4+ 14.Qxd4 Qb6 15.Qxb6 Nxb6 16.Ne2 *(16.Kf2 Rfc8 17.Rc1 Nc4 18.Nd1 b5 19.Ke2 Kf7 20.c3 Rc7 21.Rc2 Rac8 22.Ne3 Nxe3 23.Kxe3 b4 24.Rfc1 bxc3 25.Rxc3 Rxc3+ 26.Rxc3 Rxc3+ 27.bxc3 Ke8 28.Kd4 Kd7 29.Kc4 Kc6 30.Kb4 Kb6 31.f4 h5 32.g3 a5+ 33.Kc4 Kc6 34.h3 Kb6 35.g4 hxg4 36.hxg4 Kc6 37.g5 d5+ 38.Kd4 Kd6 39.a4 dxe4 40.Kxe4 Kc6 41.Ke5 Kd7 42.c4* 1-0 (43) Interestingidea (2811)-Mischuk,D (2675) Blitz 2023 *)* 16...Rfc8 17.c3 Nc4 18.Rd4 Nxb2 19.Rb1 Nc4 20.Rxb7 Kf7 21.f4 Na5 22.Rb5 Nc6 23.Rc4 Nd8

24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.Kf2 Rc7 26.Ke3 Rb7 27.c4 Rc7 28.Kd4 Nb7 29.Nc3 Nc5 30.Rb8 Nd7 31.Rh8 Kg7 32.Ra8 Nb6 33.Rb8 Rxc4+ 34.Kd3 Rc7 35.Nb5 Rd7 36.Nd4 Kf7 37.Nc6 Na4 38.g4 Nc5+ 39.Kd4 Rc7 40.Nd8+ Kg7 41.g5 Rd7 42.h4 e5+ 43.Kd5 exf4 44.Kc6 f3 45.Ne6+ Nxe6 46.Kxd7 Nc5+ 47.Kxe7 Nxe4 48.Rf8 d5 49.Rxf3 1-0 (49) Uragan1234 (2818)-Mischuk,D (2767) Blitz 2023;

C1a2) 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Kh1 Qb6 15.Rab1 Rac8 16.Ne2 e5 17.b3 Qc5 18.c4 b5 19.Rbc1 b4 20.Rcd1 a5 21.Nc1 Qc7 22.Nd3 Nc5 23.Nf2 Ne6 24.Ng4 Qa7 25.Ne3 Nd4 26.Nd5 a4 27.Rb1 axb3 28.axb3 Rb8 29.Qe3 e6 30.Ra1 Qb7 31.f4 Nc2 32.Qg1 Nxa1 33.Rxa1 Ra8 34.fxe5 0-1 (34) Velky Kruh (2829)-Rfelgaer (2738) Blitz 2021;

C1b) 12...Qa5 13.Kh1 *(13.Rad1 Rac8 14.a3 a6 15.Ne2 Qxd2 16.Rxd2 Nd7 17.c3 Ne5 18.Bxe5 Bxe5 19.g3 Rc4 20.Kg2 Rfc8 21.Nc1 a5 22.Nd3 Bg7 23.Re1 Kf7 24.h4 h5 25.f4 b5 26.e5 Rd8 27.Nf2 Rcc8 28.Red1 Ke8 29.exd6 exd6 30.Rxd6 Rxd6 31.Rxd6 b4 32.axb4 axb4 33.cxb4 Ke7 34.Rb6 Bd4 35.Rb7+ Kd6 36.Ne4+ Kd5 37.Kf3 Bxb2 38.Rd7+ Kc6 39.Rd6+ Kb5 40.Rxe6 Rg8 41.g4 hxg4+ 42.Kxg4 Kxb4 43.Rb6+ Ka3 44.Kg5 Bc1 45.Nf2 Be3 46.Ra6+ Kb4 47.Nd3+ Kb5 48.Re6 Bd2 49.Ne5 Kc5 50.Rxg6 Rh8 51.h5 Bxf4+ 52.Kxf4 Rxh5 53.Rg8 Rh4+ 54.Ke3 Kd5 55.Nf3 Ra4 56.Rd8+ Kc5 57.Nd4 Ra6 58.Ke4 Rd6 59.Rc8+ Kb4 60.Kd3 Ka5 61.Kc4 Kb6 62.Rb8+ Kc7 63.Rh8 Kb6 64.Rh7 Rg6 65.Rf7 Rh6 66.Rf5 Rg6 67.Rb5+ Kc7 68.Rb1 Rh6 69.Ra1 Kb6 70.Rb1+ Kc7 71.Kd5 Rh5+ 72.Ke4 Kd6 73.Rb6+ Kc7 74.Rg6 Kd7 75.Ne2 Ke7 76.Nf4 Ra5 77.Nd5+ Kf7 78.Rb6 Ra1 79.Kf5 Rf1+ 80.Nf4 Ke7 81.Ra6 Kd7 82.Ke5 Re1+ 83.Kd4 Rd1+ 84.Nd3 Kc7 85.Rf6 Kd7 86.Kc4 Ke7 87.Ra6 Kd7 88.Nc5+ Ke7 89.Ne4 Rc1+ 90.Kd5 Rd1+ 91.Ke5 Kd7 92.Nc5+ Kc7 93.Ne6+ Kb7 94.Ra2 Kc6 95.Nd4+ Kc5 96.Rc2+ Kb4 97.Kd5 Rd3 98.Rc4+ Ka3 99.Ke4 Rd1 100.Ke3 Kb2 101.Rb4+ Kc3 102.Ra4 Rb1 ½-½ (102) Cjota95 (2866)-Brian46 (2710) Blitz 2023)* 13...Rac8 14.f4 Nh5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qd4+ Kg8 17.Qe3 Qc5 18.Qd2 b5 19.a3 a5 20.f5 exf5 21.Nd5 Rf7 22.exf5 Qxc2 23.Qg5 Rxf5 24.Rxf5 1-0 (24) Jaawuthfieolpoert (2872)-Qmk Lt000Rks (2475) Blitz 2024;

C2) 12.e5 Nh5 13.0-0-0 d5

14.Rhf1 Qa5 15.f4 b5 16.g4 b4 17.Nb1 Nxf4 18.Rxf4 Rxf4 19.Qxf4 Qxa2 20.Rd3 Rf8 21.Qxf8+ Bxf8 22.g5 h6 23.h4 hxg5 24.hxg5 a5 25.b3 a4 26.Nd2 Kf7 27.Rf3+ Ke8 28.Rd3 Bg7 29.Rh3 axb3 30.Nxb3 Qa6 31.Rd3 Kf7 32.Kb2 Qc8 33.Rf3+ Kg8 34.Rd3 Qc7 35.Re3 Kf7 36.Rf3+ Ke8 37.Re3 Qc4 38.Rd3 Kd8 39.Kb1 Kc8 40.Kb2 Kc7 41.Kb1 Kb8 42.Kb2 Qc7 43.Nc5 Kc8 44.Nxe6 Qd7 45.Nxg7 e6 46.Nxe6 Qxe6 47.Kb3 Qg4 48.Kxb4 Qxg5 49.Kc5 Qg2 50.Kd6 Kb7 51.Rb3+ Ka6 52.e6 Qxc2 53.Rc3 Qe4 54.e7 Qxd4 55.Ra3+ Kb5 56.e8Q+ Kb4 57.Qa4# 1-0 (57) Mclutjedorp (2813)-Southafricanwolf (2678) Blitz 2023;

C3) 12.0-0-0 b5 13.Nxb5 Rb8 14.Nc3 Qa5 15.Kb1 Rb7 16.Nd5 Qb5 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Bxf6 Rxf6 19.b3 a5 20.Qd3 Qb6 21.Qd4 Qc6 22.Rd3 a4 23.Rc3 Qb5 24.Qc4 axb3 25.cxb3 Qa5 26.Rhc1 Kg7 27.R1c2 e5 28.Qc8 Ra7 29.Rc7 Rxc7 30.Qxc7 Qe1+ 31.Kb2 Rf7 32.a4 Qg1 33.h3 Qd4+ 34.Qc3 Qa7 35.a5 e6 36.b4 Rb7 37.Ka3 Qg1 38.a6 Rb6 39.Qc4 d5 40.exd5 exd5 41.Qe2 Qa1+ 42.Kb3 Rxa6 43.Rc7+ Kf6 44.Qb2 Qa4+ 45.Kc3 Qd1 46.b5 Ra1 47.Rc6+ Kf7 48.Rc7+ Ke6 49.Rc6+ Kd7 0-1 (49) Idabble (2859)-Norolex (2822) Blitz 2022]

11.0-0-0 Be6

[11...Bd7 12.Kb1 Rac8 13.Bb3 b5 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Nxe7+ Kh8 16.Rxd2 Rce8 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Rxd6 Bxe7 19.Rxd7 a5 20.a3 a4 21.Bd5 b4 22.axb4 Bxb4 23.Bxf7 Rb8 24.Ka2 a3 1-0 (24) Buecker,J (2820)-Lauer,F (1053) Lechenicher SchachServer 2015]

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23.Nc3 Qb8 24.Qg5 Ne8 25.Ne4 f5 26.Nf6+ Nxf6 27.Qxf6 Bxd6 28.Qe6+ Kg7 29.Rd2 Re7 30.Qd5 Bc7 31.Bxe7 Rxd5 32.Rxd5 Qb7 33.Rd7 Qc6 34.Red1 Kh6 35.h4 Kh5 36.Bg5 1-0 (36) Insearchoflosttime (2816)-Loin Sn (2784) Blitz 2022*; 13...a6 14.Kb1 Rac8 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.Nxf6+ exf6 17.Bc3 Rc6 18.h4 h5 19.g4 hxg4 20.h5 Rxc3 21.h6 Rxf3 22.hxg7 g5 23.gxf8Q+ Qxf8 24.Rdg1 Rf4 25.Qxf4* 1-0 (25) Insearchoflosttime (2811)-Loin Sn (2787) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Kb1 b5 15.Bxf6 *(15.g4 b4 16.Na4 Rc6 17.Rc1 Rac8 18.Rxc6 Rxc6 19.Qf2 a6 20.Rc1 Rxc1+ 21.Kxc1 Nd7 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Qd4+ f6 24.Qa7 Qd8 25.Qxa6 Ne5 26.Qe2 Qc7+ 27.Kb1 g5 28.a3 Qb7 29.Ka2 h6 30.Qe3 Qb5 31.axb4 Qxb4 32.Nc3 Qa5+ 33.Kb1 Qa6 34.Nd5 Kf7 35.Kc2 Qf1 36.b4 Qxf3 37.Qxf3 Nxf3 38.b5 Nd4+ 39.Kd3 Nxb5 40.Kc4 Na7 41.b4 e6 42.Nc7 f5 43.exf5 exf5 44.gxf5 Kf6 45.b5 Nxb5 46.Nxb5 Kxf5 47.Nxd6+ Kg4 48.Nf7 Kh3 49.Nxh6 Kxh2 50.Kd5 g4 51.Nxg4+* ½-½ (51) Charles Ingalls (2858)-Niper13 (2665) Blitz 2022*; 15.h4 b4 16.Ne2 Rc6 17.g4 Rac8 18.h5 Ra6 19.a4 bxa3 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Bc3 Qb5 22.Nd4 Qb7 23.Qh2 e5 24.g5 Nh5 25.Nf5 Qxb3 26.Ne7+ Kf8 27.Nxc8 Rc6 28.Nxd6 Rxc3 29.Rd2 Rxf3 30.Qe2 Nf4 31.Nc8 Rd3 32.Rxd3 Nxd3 33.Rd1 Qb8 34.Qc2 a2+ 35.Ka1 Kg8 36.Rxd3 Bf8 37.Rd8 Qb5 38.Qf2 Qa5 39.Ne7+ Kh7 40.Qxf7+* 1-0 (40) Antonsmirnov01 (2813)-Niper13 (2683) Blitz 2022*)* 15...Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ Kg7 18.Nh5+ gxh5 19.Rxd2 Rc7 20.Rc1 Rxc1+ 21.Kxc1 Rc8+ 22.Kd1 a6 23.Rd4 Kf6 24.Kd2 Rc6 25.a4 e5 26.Rd5 Rc5 27.Rxd6+ Ke7 28.Rxa6 bxa4 29.bxa4 Ra5 30.Rxa5 1-0 (30) Nozdrachev,V (2860)-Niper13 (2739) Blitz 2022;

B) 12...b5 13.Kb1 b4 14.Nd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 *(15.Bxd5 Nxd5 16.Bxg7 Nc3+ 17.bxc3 Rfb8 18.c4 Kxg7 19.Qe3 Rc8 20.Rd5 Qa6 21.c5 dxc5 22.Rxc5 Rxc5 23.Qxc5 Rc8 24.Qxb4 Qe2 25.Rc1 Qxg2 26.Qxe7 Qxf3 27.Qe5+ Kg8 28.Qd4 Re8 29.Re1 Qg2 30.Qxa7 Qxh2 31.e5 Qd2 32.Re3 Qd5 33.a3 Ra8 34.Qc7 Qe6 35.Kb2 h5 36.Qd6 Qxd6 37.exd6 Rd8 38.Rd3 g5 39.c4 f5 40.c5 f4 41.c6* 1-0 (41) Rosagasa (2825)-Princemurad09 (2596) Blitz 2021 *)* 15...Qb5 16.Qd3 *(16.Rhe1 a5 17.Qe2 Qxe2 18.Rxe2 a4 19.Bc4 Rfc8 20.b3 Kf8 21.g4 g5 22.Bb5 axb3 23.cxb3 Ra5 24.Bc6 e5 25.Bb6 Ra6 26.Bb7 Rxb6 27.Bxc8 Rb5 28.Red2 e4 29.Ba6 Rb6 30.Be2 exf3 31.Bxf3 Nd7 32.Rc2 Nc5 33.Rc4 Be5 34.h3 Ke7 35.Re1 f6 36.Be4 h6 37.Bf5 Kd8 38.Rh1 Bg3 39.Rc2 Ra6 40.Rg2 Be5 41.Bc2 Ke7 42.h4 Kf7 43.hxg5 hxg5 44.Rh7+ Kg8 45.Rc7 Rb6 46.Rg1 Bg3 47.Rxg3* 1-0 (47) Kastorcito (2811)-Stockfisher09 (2607) Blitz 2022*)* 16...Qxd3 17.Rxd3 a5 *(17...Nd7 18.Re1 Bf6 19.Bxf6 exf6 20.Rd4 a5 21.Ba4 Nc5 22.Bc6 Ra7*

23.Re3 f5 24.a3 Rb8 25.axb4 axb4 26.b3 h5 27.Re8+ Rxe8 28.Bxe8 Rb7 29.Bc6 Rb8 30.Kc1 Kg7 31.Kd2 Kf6 32.Ke3 Ke5 33.f4+ Kf6 34.Rd2 Ne4 35.Re2 Rb6 36.Kd4 Rb8 37.Kc4 Rb6 38.Re1 Nd2+ 39.Kd4 Ra6 40.Bb5 Ra5 41.Bd3 Rc5 42.Rd1 Ne4 43.Ra1 Nc3 44.Bc4 Nb5+ 45.Kd3 Nc7 46.Kd4 Nb5+ 47.Bxb5 Rxb5 48.Ra6 Ke7 49.Ra7+ Ke8 50.Rc7 h4 51.Kc4 Ra5 52.Kxb4 Rxd5 53.Kc3 Rd1 54.Rc8+ Kd7 55.Rh8 Rg1 56.Rxh4 Rxg2 57.b4 Kc6 58.Kb3 d5 59.Rh7 Rg4 60.Rxf7 Rxf4 61.Rf6+ Kb5 62.c3 Rf3 63.Rxg6 d4 64.Rf6 Rxc3+ 65.Kb2 Rf3 66.Rd6 Kc4 67.b5 Rf2+ 68.Kc1 Kc5 69.Rd8 Rxh2 0-1 (69) Nakigraw (2817)-Pierdolic (2736) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Bc4 Rfc8 19.b3 Nd7 20.Re1 Ne5 21.Bxe5 Bxe5 22.g3 g5 23.Re4 f5 24.Re2 Kf7 25.f4 gxf4 26.gxf4 Bf6 27.Rh3 Rh8 28.Rg2 Rag8 29.Rxg8 Rxg8 30.Rxh7+ Ke8 31.Kc1 Bc3 32.Kd1 Rg2 33.h4 Rd2+ 34.Ke1 Rxc2+ 35.Kf1 Rxa2 36.h5 Kf8 37.Bd3 a4 38.bxa4 b3 39.Bxf5 b2 40.Be6 0-1 (40) Pblu35 (2826)-Vistagausta (2885) Blitz 2022;

C) 12...Rfc8 13.Kb1

C1) 13...Bxb3 14.axb3 Rc6 *(14...Nd7 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.h4 h5 18.g4 e6 19.Qd4+ Ne5 20.f4 exd5 21.fxe5 dxe5 22.Qxe5+ Qf6 23.Qxf6+ Kxf6 24.g5+ Ke5 25.exd5 Kf4 26.Rhf1+ Kg3 27.Rd4 Re8 28.Rxf7 Re1+ 29.Ka2 Rh1 30.Rff4 Rd8 31.b4 Rxd5 32.Rxd5 Kxf4 33.Rd7 Rxh4 34.Rxb7 Kxg5 35.b5 a6 36.b6 Rb4 37.c3 Rb5 38.c4 Rc5 39.Kb3 a5 40.Rc7 Re5 41.b7 Re8 42.Rc8* 1-0 (42) Brokylovekfc (2842)-Timofeevar (2801) Blitz 2024*)* 15.h4 Ra6 16.Na4 Qc7 17.g4 b5 18.Qe2 Rb8 19.h5 Qa5 20.Bc3 Qc7 21.e5 Nd7 22.hxg6 Nxe5 23.gxf7+ Kh8 24.f4 1-0 (24) Aqua Blazing (2850)-Runawaybridesman (2667) Blitz 2024;

C2) 13...Rab8 14.h4 Bxb3 15.axb3 Rc6 16.h5 Ra6 17.Kc1 Rc8 18.g4 Rxc3 19.Qxc3 Bh6+ 20.Be3 Qxc3 21.bxc3 Bxe3+ 22.Kb2 Bf4 23.c4 Be5+ 24.c3 g5 25.Ra1 Rxa1 26.Rxa1 a6 27.b4 Nd7 28.Kb3 Kg7 29.Rd1 Nb8 30.c5 dxc5 31.Rd5 Kf6 32.Rxc5 Nc6 33.Rd5 Ke6 34.Kc4 Bf4 35.Kc5 Ne5 36.Kb6 Nxf3 37.Kxb7 Nd2 38.Kxa6 Nxe4 39.Rd3 f5 40.gxf5+ Kxf5 41.c4 g4 42.c5 g3 43.c6 g2 44.Rd1 Kg4 45.b5 Kf3 46.b6 Kf2 47.c7 Bxc7 48.bxc7 Nd6 49.Rxd6 exd6 50.c8Q g1Q 51.Qf5+ Ke2 52.Qxh7 Qa1+ 53.Kb7 Qb2+ 54.Kc6 Qe5 55.h6 Qc5+ 56.Kb7 Qb5+ 57.Kc7 Qc5+ 58.Kd8 Qa5+ 59.Qc7 Qg5+ 60.Qe7+ Qxe7+ 61.Kxe7 d5 62.h7 d4 63.h8Q d3 64.Qh2+ Ke1 65.Kd6 d2 66.Qg3+ Ke2 67.Qe5+ Kd1 68.Qd4 Kc1 69.Qc3+ Kb1 70.Qxd2 1-0 (70) Cramor (2834)-Halfmillion2023 (2866) Blitz 2023;

C3) 13...b5 as Black with reasonable success. Do check

out the archives. as Black with reasonable success. Do check out the archives. as Black with reasonable success. Do check out the archives. 14.Rhe1 b4 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 Qb5 17.Qe2 Qxe2 18.Rxe2 Rc7 19.Ba4 Rac8 20.Bc6 e5 21.Bf2 Nd7 22.Rd3 Nb8 23.Bb5 Rb7 24.Ba4 Bf6 25.Rb3 Bd8 26.a3 Rc4 27.Re4 Rxe4 28.fxe4 a5 29.c3 Bb6 30.Bxb6 Rxb6 31.axb4 axb4 32.Rxb4 Rxb4 33.cxb4 Na6 34.Kc2 Nxb4+ 35.Kc3 Na6 36.Kc4 Kf8 37.Kb5 Nc5 38.Bc2 f5 39.exf5 e4 40.b4 e3 41.Bd1 Ne4 42.Kc4 gxf5 43.Kd4 Nf6 44.Bf3 f4 45.g3 fxg3 46.hxg3 Ke7 47.Kxe3 Nd7 48.Kf4 Kf6 49.Be2 Nb6 50.Ke4 h6 51.b5 Kg5 52.Bf3 Kf6 53.Kd4 Kf5 54.Kc3 Ke5 55.Kb4 Kd4 56.Ka5 Kc5 57.Ka6 Nc4 58.Be2 Nb6 59.Bf3 Nc4 60.Be4 Nb6 61.Ka5 Nc4+ 62.Ka4 Nb6+ 63.Ka5 Nc4+ 64.Ka6 Nb6 65.Bf3 ½-½ (65) Charles Ingalls (2860)-Multibrendovyi (2840) Blitz 2021]

12...fxe6 more common way of reaching the position. 13.Rhe1 [%draw full, d6] [%draw full,e6]

[13.h4 Nh5 (We've also seen the same idea with Kb1 and ...Rac8 inserted) (We've also seen the same idea with Kb1 and ...Rac8 inserted) [%draw full,f4] [%draw full,g3] (We've also seen the same idea with Kb1 and ...Rac8 inserted) *(13...Rac8)* 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.e5!? *(* The main point behind ...Nh5 is that it blocks White's h-pawn advance and is ready to hinder White's attack by hopping into f4 should g2-g4 appear. The text might be the most testing continuation although some might argue that The main point behind ... Nh5 is that it blocks White's h-pawn advance and is ready to hinder White's attack by hopping into f4 should g2-g4 appear. The text might be the most testing continuation although some might argue that The main point behind ...Nh5 is that it blocks White's h-pawn advance and is ready to hinder White's attack by hopping into f4 should g2-g4 appear. The text might be the most testing continuation although some might argue that *15.Qg5 Qxg5+ 16.hxg5* might offer White a miniscule nibble due to fewer pawn islands and potential h-file pressure. might offer White a miniscule nibble due to fewer pawn islands and potential h-file pressure. might offer White a miniscule nibble due to fewer pawn islands and potential h-file pressure.*)* 15...Qxe5 16.Rde1 Qf6 *(*The immediate *16...Qf4 17.Rxe6 Qxd2+ 18.Kxd2 Rf7 19.Rhe1 Kf8 20.Nd5 Re8* looks awkward but with the rook ejecting ...Ng7 to follow, may not be so bad. looks awkward but with the rook ejecting ...Ng7 to follow, may not be so bad. looks awkward but with the rook ejecting ...Ng7 to follow, may not be so bad.*)* 17.Ne4 Qf4 18.Ng5 Qxd2+ 19.Kxd2 Nf4 20.g3 *(20.Nxe6+ Nxe6 21.Rxe6 Kf7* is not dissimilar to the main game. is not dissimilar to the main game. is not dissimilar to the main game.*)* 20...h6 21.Nxe6+ Nxe6 22.Rxe6 should really have been a draw in Yu

Yangyi (2747)-Edouard,R (2617) Caleta ENG 2016 but instead White ground it out. should really have been a draw in Yu Yangyi (2747)-Edouard, R (2617) Caleta ENG 2016 but instead White ground it out. should really have been a draw in Yu Yangyi (2747)-Edouard,R (2617) Caleta ENG 2016 but instead White ground it out.]

[The autopilot choice would probably be 13.Kb1 when after Rac8 with: *(13...Nd7 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.h4 h6 16.Qd4+ Qe5 17.Ne2 Qxd4 18.Nxd4 Kf7 19.c4 Rac8 20.b3 a6 21.Kb2 e5 22.Ne2 Nc5 23.Nc3 Ne6 24.Rd2 Kg7 25.Nd5 Rf7 26.h5 g5 27.Ne3 Nd4 28.Nc2 Nxc2 29.Rxc2 g4 30.Rc3 Rcf8 31.Rf1 Rf4 32.c5 dxc5 33.Rxc5 Rxe4 34.Rg1 Re2+ 35.Ka3 g3 36.Rc7 b5 37.Rxe7+ Rf7 38.Re6 Rf6 39.Re7+ Rf7 40.Re6 a5 41.Rg6+ Kh7 42.Rxg3 b4+ 43.Ka4 Rxa2+ 44.Kb5 Ra3 45.Re1 Rxb3 46.Rxe5 Rb1 47.Re6 b3 48.Rb6 b2 49.Ka6 a4 50.Rgg6 a3 51.Rxh6+ Kg7 52.Rhg6+ Kh7 53.Rh6+ Kg7 54.Rhg6+ Kf8 55.Rb8+ Ke7 56.Rb7+ Kf8 57.Rb8+ Ke7 58.Rb7+ Kf8 59.Rb8+* ½-½ (59) Dmitrij Im (2829)-Rfelgaer (2675) Blitz 2021*; 13...b5 14.e5 dxe5 15.Bxe5 b4 16.Bxf6 exf6 17.Ne4 f5 18.Nd6 Qe5 19.Nc4 Qc5 20.Qe2 Rac8 21.b3 e5 22.Rd7 Rc7 23.Rxc7 Qxc7 24.Rd1 h5 25.Rd6 Kh7 26.a4 Rd8 27.Rxd8 Qxd8 28.Qd3 Qe7 29.Qd6 Qxd6 30.Nxd6 Kg8 31.Kc1 Kf8 32.Kd2 a6 33.Kd3 Ke7 34.Nb7 Bf8 35.Nc5 a5 36.Nb7 Ke6 37.Nxa5 Kd5 38.Nc4 e4+ 39.fxe4+ fxe4+ 40.Ke2 Kd4 41.a5 Bc5 42.a6 Kc3 43.Ne3 g5 44.h3 g4 45.hxg4 hxg4 46.Nd5+ Kxc2 47.Nxb4+ Kxb3 48.Nc6 Kc4 49.a7 Bxa7 50.Nxa7 Kd4 51.g3 Kd5 52.Nb5 Kc5 53.Nc3 Kd4 54.Nd1* 1-0 (54) Maybenotit (2829)-winamp (2798) Blitz 2025 *)*

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could wind up with difficulties. So intending to park this knight on the attractive c4-square looks rather attractive. Indeed if it gets there then both the white queen and king could wind up with difficulties. So *(16...Rc4 17.g4 Rfc8 18.Re3!* guarding against an exchange sac on c3 and preparing to slide to the h-file to initiate an attack was seen in the site annotated Dragun,K (2461)-Socko,B (2631) Warsaw POL 2012. guarding against an exchange sac on c3 and preparing to slide to the h-file to initiate an attack was seen in the site annotated Dragun,K (2461)-Socko, B (2631) Warsaw POL 2012. guarding against an exchange sac on c3 and preparing to slide to the h-file to initiate an attack was seen in the site annotated Dragun,K (2461)-Socko,B (2631) Warsaw POL 2012. *)* 17.Ne2 Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Nc4 19.Rd3 which e5 looks very fine for Black.;

B) 14.Nd5 Qxd2 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Rxd2 Bxd4 17.Rxd4 Rc5 18.Ra4 a6 19.Rd1 g5 20.h3 h5 21.Rb4 b5 22.a4 Kg7 23.axb5 axb5 24.c3 g4 25.hxg4 hxg4 26.Rd3 Kg6 27.Kc2 gxf3 28.gxf3 Kg5 29.Kb3 Kf4 30.c4 bxc4+ 31.Rxc4 Rb5+ 32.Rb4 Rg5 33.Rb7 Re8 34.Kc3 Rg3 35.b4 e5 36.b5 Rxf3 37.Rxf3+ Kxf3 38.Kd3 d5 39.exd5 e4+ 40.Kd4 e3 41.Ra7 e2 42.Ra1 Kf2 43.Kc5 Rc8+ 44.Kd4 e1Q 45.Rxe1 Kxe1 46.b6 Kd2 47.Ke5 Rb8 48.Ke6 Rb7 49.Kf7 Kd3 50.Kf8 Kd4 51.Ke8 Kxd5 52.Kd8 e5 53.Kc8 Kc6 0-1 (53) Silence404 (2858)-Californiabeast (2985) Blitz 2024;

C) 14.h4 Nh5!? *(14...Nd7 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.h5 g5 17.h6+ Kh8 18.Rh5 Rg8 19.f4 Rc5 20.g3 gxf4 21.Rxc5 Qxc5 22.gxf4 b5 23.e5 d5 24.Qh2 b4 25.Ne2 Qe3 26.Nd4 Nc5 27.f5 Rg4 28.Nxe6 Qf3 29.Qd2 Nxe6 30.fxe6 Rg2 31.Qe1 a5 32.b3 a4 33.Rd3 Qg4 34.Rxd5 Qg8 35.Qxb4 Qxe6 36.Rd8+ Rg8 37.Rxg8+ Kxg8 38.Qxa4 Qxe5 39.Qe8#* 1-0 (39) Nozdrachev,V (2828)-Gryzlo (2756) Blitz 2021*)* 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 with blatant similarities to my last note and as seen in the site annotated Murtuzov,R (2079)-Christensen,T (2368) Ballerup DEN 2014. with blatant similarities to my last note and as seen in the site annotated Murtuzov,R (2079)-Christensen,T (2368) Ballerup DEN 2014. with blatant similarities to my last note and as seen in the site annotated Murtuzov,R (2079)-Christensen,T (2368) Ballerup DEN 2014.]

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[13...b5 14.e5 b4 15.exf6 bxc3 16.Qxc3 Qxc3 17.Bxc3 Bxf6 18.Bxf6 Rxf6 19.Re4 Kf7 20.Rd3 h5 21.Rb3 g5 22.Rb7 e5 23.b3 a5 24.Kd2 g4 25.fxg4 Rf2+ 26.Re2 Rxe2+ 27.Kxe2 hxg4 28.Kf2 a4 29.Kg3 axb3 30.axb3 Ra1 31.Kxg4 Re1 32.Kf3 Rf1+ 33.Ke2 Rh1 34.h3 Ke6

35.b4 Rc1 36.Rc7 Kd5 37.h4 e4 38.Ke3 Re1+ 39.Kf4 e5+ 40.Kg3 e3 41.b5 Rf1 42.Rc3 e2 43.Re3 e1Q+ 44.Rxe1 Rxe1 45.h5 Rb1 46.Kh2 Rxb5 47.h6 Rb8 48.g4 Ke6 49.Kg3 0-1 (49) Anya6 (2876)-Loin Sn (2781) Blitz 2022]

14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.e5! Justifying White's last move, the only testing continuation. Justifying White's last move, the only testing continuation. Justifying White's last move, the only testing continuation. 15...d5 [Obviously the d-pawn is pinned to the knight and compared to previous notes, of course Black can't take on e5 with his queen. The only alternative then is Obviously the d-pawn is pinned to the knight and compared to previous notes, of course Black can't take on e5 with his queen. The only alternative then is Obviously the d-pawn is pinned to the knight and compared to previous notes, of course Black can't take on e5 with his queen. The only alternative then is 15...Nxe5 when 16.f4 Nc6 *(16...Ng4 17.Rxe6 Rf7 18.Rde1 Kf8 19.Qd4 Kg8 20.Nd5 Qxa2 21.Nxe7+ Rxe7 22.Rxe7* 1-0 (22) Anonymous64206D (2815)-Gryzlo (2730) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Rxe6 [%draw full,e6] [%draw full, e7] Qf5 18.Re4 Rad8 19.g3 e5 20.Qe3 exf4 21.Rxf4 Qc5 22.Qd2 Rxf4 23.Qxf4 Qe5 24.Qd2 with that weak d6-pawn had had an unpleasant feel about it in Zhigalko, S (2653) -Socko,B (2599) Warsaw 2016 Black's response then is probably forced with the big question being just how big is White's advantage. with that weak d6-pawn had had an unpleasant feel about it in Zhigalko,S (2653) -Socko,B (2599) Warsaw 2016 Black's response then is probably forced with the big question being just how big is White's advantage. with that weak d6-pawn had had an unpleasnt feel about it in Zhigalko,S (2653) -Socko,B (2599) Warsaw 2016 Black's response then is probably forced with the big question being just how big is White's advantage. with that weak d6-pawn had had an unpleasant feel about it in Zhigalko,S (2653) -Socko, B (2599) Warsaw 2016 Black's response then is probably forced with the big question being just how big is White's advantage.]

16.Qg5 Very direct! Alternatively Very direct! Alternatively [%draw full,e6] Very direct! Alternatively [16.Kb1 Rac8 17.Ne2 *(17.Qe3 Nb6 18.Ne2 Nc4 19.Qc1 Rc6 20.Nd4 Ra6 21.a3 Rc8 22.Rd3 Rb6 23.Nb3 Rxb3 24.Rxb3 Nd2+ 25.Ka2 Nxb3 26.Kxb3 d4 27.Ka2 d3 28.Rd1 dxc2 29.Rd7 Qxe5 30.Rxe7+ Kg8 31.Rd7 Qb5 32.Rd2 Qc4+ 33.Ka1 b5 34.Rd7 b4 35.axb4 Qa6#* 0-1 (35) Anya6 (2887)-Vistagausta (2926) Blitz 2022*)* 17...Qxd2 18.Rxd2 Kf7 *(18...h6 19.Nd4 Kf7 20.Re3 g5 21.Rf2 Nb8 22.Ra3 a6 23.Rb3 b5 24.f4 g4 25.Rg3 h5 26.h3 Rg8 27.hxg4 Rxg4 28.Rxg4 hxg4 29.Kc1 Nc6 30.Nxc6 Rxc6 31.g3 Rc4 32.Rh2 Ra4 33.Rh7+ Kf8 34.a3 b4 35.axb4 Ra1+ 36.Kd2 Rg1 37.f5 exf5 38.e6 Rg2+ 39.Ke1 Rxc2 40.b5 axb5 41.Rf7+ Ke8 42.Rxf5 b4 43.Rxd5 Rxb2 44.Rd4 Kf8 45.Rxg4 b3 46.Rf4+ Kg8 47.Kd1 Rg2 48.Kc1 Rc2+ 49.Kb1 Re2 50.Rb4 Re3* ½-½ (50) Ethereal (3470)-AllieStein

v0.8-120f959_net-1 (3536) tcec-chess.com INT 2020) 19.Nd4

A) 19...a5

A1) 20.a4 g5 21.Re3 *(21.b3 Nb8 22.h4 h6 23.Rh1 Rh8 24.g4 Nc6 25.Nxc6 bxc6 26.Rdh2 gxh4 27.Rxh4 Kg7 28.g5 h5 29.Rxh5 Rxh5 30.Rxh5 Kg6 31.Rh6+ Kxg5 32.Rxe6 Rc7 33.Kb2 Kf4 34.Kc3 Kf5 35.Rh6 Kxe5 36.b4 axb4+ 37.Kxb4 Rb7+ 38.Ka3 e6 39.a5 Kd6 40.f4 Rf7 41.a6 Ra7 42.f5 Rxa6+ 43.Kb4 Rb6+ 44.Kc3 Ke5 45.fxe6 Kd6 46.Kd3 Ke7 47.Kd4 Rb4+ 48.Kd3 Re4 49.Rg6 Rxe6 50.Rg5 Kd6 51.Rg8 Kc5 52.Rg4 Re4 53.Rxe4 dxe4+ 54.Kxe4 Kc4 55.Ke5 Kc3 56.Kd6 Kxc2 57.Kxc6 ½-½ (57) Anya6 (2880)-Vistagausta (2933) Blitz 2022)* 21...Rg8 22.Rb3 Nc5 23.Rb5 Nxa4 24.Rxa5 Nb6 25.b3 Nd7 26.Ra7 Nxe5 27.Re2 Nc6 28.Nxc6 bxc6 29.Kb2 Ra8 30.Rb7 Rgb8 31.Rc7 Ra6 32.g3 Kf6 33.f4 gxf4 34.gxf4 Rb4 35.Rf2 Rb8 36.h4 Rg8 37.h5 h6 38.Kc3 Rg3+ 39.Kd4 Rh3 40.Rc8 Rxh5 41.Rf8+ Kg7 42.Rc8 Kf7 43.Rg2 Rh4 44.Ke5 Ra1 45.Rxc6 Re1+ 46.Kd4 Rxf4+ 47.Kd3 h5 48.Rh2 h4 49.Rc8 e5 50.Rh8 Ree4 51.Rh5 Kg6 52.Rh8 Kg5 53.Rg2+ Rg4 54.Rh2 Rg3+ 55.Kd2 Reg4 56.Kc1 e4 57.Kb2 e3 58.Re2 h3 59.Kc3 e5 60.b4 d4+ 61.Kd3 Rg2 62.b5 e4+ 63.Kxd4 Rxe2 64.b6 Rxc2 65.b7 Rb2 66.b8Q Rxb8 67.Rxb8 h2 68.Rg8+ Kf4 69.Rh8 Kg3 70.Kxe3 Rh4 71.Rg8+ Kh3 0-1 (71) Anya6 (2884)-Vistagausta (2928) Blitz 2022;

A2) 20.f4 a4 21.Rd3 Nc5 22.Rh3 h5 23.Rc3 Ne4 24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.a3 Rc4 26.c3 Rc8 27.Kc2 Rg8 28.Rf1 Nc5 29.Kd2 Ke8 30.Ke3 Kd7 31.Rf3 Ne4 32.Ne2 g5 33.f5 exf5 34.Rxf5 Rg6 35.Ng3 Nxg3 36.hxg3 Ke6 37.Rf8 Kxe5 38.Rh8 Rb6 39.Rxh5 Kf5 40.Rh7 e5 41.Rd7 Ke6 42.Rg7 Rxb2 43.Rxg5 Rb3 44.Kd2 Rxa3 45.Rg6+ Kf5 46.Rb6 Rb3 47.Rd6 Ke4 48.Kc2 d4 49.cxd4 exd4 50.g4 b5 51.g5 Rg3 52.g6 Rxg2+ 0-1 (52) Anya6 (2890)-Vistagausta (2923) Blitz 2022;

B) 19...Nb8 20.Re3 *(20.f4 Nc6 21.Nf3 Ke8 22.g3 h6 23.h4 b5 24.Re3 a5 25.Rc3 Kd7 26.Rc5 b4 27.Rd3 Rc7 28.a3 bxa3 29.Rxa3 Ra8 30.Rac3 Rcc8 31.Rb5 Rab8 32.Rxb8 Rxb8 33.Rc5 a4 34.Ka2 Nb4+ 35.Ka3 Nc6 36.Ne1 Nd4 37.Nd3 Nxc2+ 38.Kxa4 Nd4 39.b4 Ra8+ 40.Ra5 Rxa5+ 41.Kxa5 Kc6 42.g4 h5 43.g5 Kb7 44.b5 Ka7 45.b6+ Kb8 46.Ka6 Nc6 47.Nc5 Nd8 48.b7 Kc7 49.Nxe6+ Nxe6 50.Ka7 1-0 (50) Idabble (2835)-Suttonplace (2685) Blitz 2022)* 20...Nc6 21.Rb3 Na5 22.Rb4 b6 23.b3 h6 24.Ra4 Ra8 25.Rd3 Rfc8 26.Ne2 Nc6 27.Rf4+ Kg7 28.Re3 Rg8 29.Rg4 b5 30.f4 b4 31.c3 1/2-1/2 never quite saw White convert his edge into anything too tangible in

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[16.a3 Rac8 17.Ne2 Qxd2+ 18.Kxd2 Rc4 19.Kc1 Rh4 20.h3 g5 21.Nd4 Kf7 22.b3 Nb8 23.Re3 Rc8 24.Kb2 a5 1/2-1/2 was a similar story in Verenzuela,J (2315)-Lanz Calavia,J (2144) ICCF email 2016. 1/2-1/2 was a similar story in Verenzuela,J (2315)-Lanz Calavia,J (2144) ICCF email 2016. ½-½ was a similar story in Verenzuela,J (2315)-Lanz Calavia,J (2144) ICCF email 2016. <-< was a similar story in Verenzuela,J (2315)-Lanz Calavia,J (2144) ICCF email 2016.]

16...Rae8 A tad passive for now but defending the e7-pawn in the best manner available. A tad passive for now but defending the e7-pawn in the best manner available. A tad passive for now but defending the e7-pawn in the best manner available. 17.Kb1 Rf5 18.Qh4 Kg8

[And not 18...Rxe5? 19.Rxe5 Nxe5 20.Qd4! pinning and winning!]

19.f4 Nb6 Naturally eyeing up that c4-square. 20.Qf2 Her majesty wasn't really doing anything on the kingside. 20...Nc4 Suddenly the likes of ...Qb4 and ...Nxb2 are massive threats. 21.Ne2 Ref8

[This rook was no longer tied to the defence of the e7-pawn and free to move it was either destined to help scrutinise the situation around f4 or e5 or else seek queenside action through This rook was no longer tied to the defence of the e7-pawn and free to move it was either destined to help scrutinise the situation around f4 or e5 or else seek queenside action through This rook was no longer tied to the defence of the e7-pawn and free to move it was either destined to help scrutinise the situation around f4 or e5 or else seek queenside action through 21...Rc8]

22.Qd4 Naturally centralising the queen whilst putting paid to the threat on e5. Naturally centralising the queen whilst putting paid to the threat on e5. Naturally centralising the queen whilst putting paid to the threat on e5. 22...Rc8! Very clever. Now White doesn't have the d4-square vacant for the knight, Black has rook swinger plans in mind. Very clever. Now White doesn't have the d4-square vacant for the knight, Black has rook swinger plans in mind. Very clever. Now White doesn't have the d4-square vacant for the knight, Black has rook swinger plans in mind. 23.g3 Rc6 24.Qc3 Qa6

[24...Qxc3 25.Nxc3 Na3+! 26.Kc1 Rf8 offers equal chances but it's almost as though by keeping the queens on, Black is trying for more! offers equal chances but it's almost as though by keeping the queens on, Black is trying for more! offers equal

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25.Nd4 Rb6 26.b3

[26.Nxf5 Rxb2+ 27.Qxb2 (And not *27.Kc1?? Qxa2*) 27...Nxb2 28.Nxe7+ Kf7 29.Kxb2 Qb6+ 30.Ka1 Kxe7 feels destined for a draw although 26...gxf5!? tries for more. feels destined for a draw although 26... gxf5!? tries for more. feels destined for a draw although 26...gxf5!? tries for more.]

[Upon 26.Nb3 Black can re-route his f5-rook now or else play Qb5 with that still in mind and/or a razzing of the a-pawn. with that still in mind and/or a razzing of the a-pawn. with that still in mind and/or a razzing of the a-pawn.]

26...Rf8 27.Re2 Qa3 28.h3 I have to confess to being slightly bemused by this incredible piece of subtlety! I have to confess to being slightly bemused by this incredible piece of subtlety! I have to confess to being slightly bemused by this incredible piece of subtlety! 28...Rc8 29.g4 Only playable now that Black had moved his rook and I suppose it all looks a little tidier with the pawn on h3! Only playable now that Black had moved his rook and I suppose it all looks a little tidier with the pawn on h3! Only playable now that Black had moved his rook and I suppose it all looks a little tidier with the pawn on h3! 29...Ra6 Forcing White's ugly looking reply... Forcing White's ugly looking reply... Forcing White's ugly looking reply...

30.Qa1 Qb4 31.Rd3

[Black had a threat well demonstrated in the cute variation Black had a threat well demonstrated in the cute variation Black had a threat well demonstrated in the cute variation 31.h4? Na3+ 32.Kc1 Nb5! 33.Nxb5 Qxb5 34.Re3 (or *34.Red2 Qxb3*) 34...Rac6 35.Rd2 Qf1+ 36.Kb2 Rxc2+ 37.Rxc2 Rxc2+]

31...Na3+ 32.Kb2 b5 33.Qd1 Nc4+ 34.Kb1 Rxa2 Not winning, not losing and not forced but all good viewing! Not winning, not losing and not forced but all good viewing! Not winning, not losing and not forced but all good viewing! 35.c3

[Bearing in mind 35.Kxa2?? Qa3+ 36.Kb1 Qb2# White's move was though totally necessary.]

35...Rxe2 36.cxb4 Na3+ 37.Ka1 Nc2+ 38.Nxc2 Rcxc2 This is pretty incredible chess though. Rather than the mundane, we see a draw in an exciting manner! This is pretty incredible chess though. Rather than the mundane, we see a draw in an exciting manner! This is pretty incredible chess though. Rather than the mundane, we see a draw in an exciting manner! 39.f5 Ra2+ 40.Kb1 Reb2+ 41.Kc1 There is no check available on c2 but still a repetition is essentially unavoidable. There is no check available on c2 but still a repetition is essentially unavoidable. There is no check available on c2 but still a repetition is essentially unavoidable. 41...Re2 Because of course White needs to stop the mate on a1. Surely there is no way that we would have seen a human encounter end the way this game does! Because of course White needs to stop the mate on a1.

Surely there is no way that we would have seen a human encounter end the way this game does! Because of course White needs to stop the mate on a1. Surely there is no way that we would have seen a human encounter end the way this game does! 42.Kb1 Reb2+ 43.Kc1 Re2 44.Kb1 ½-½ (44) Stoofvlees Ii A14 (3746)-Komodo (3794) tcec-chess.com INT 2020 [Chris Ward]

Eschewing the overwhelmingly most common **9...Bd7** in favour of an older line that we have nevertheless provided plenty of coverage on here on ChessPublishing. in favour of an older line that we have nevertheless provided plenty of coverage on here on ChessPublishing. in favour of an older line that we have nevertheless provided plenty of coverage on here on chesspublishing. in favour of an older line that we have nevertheless provided plenty of coverage on here on ChessPublishing. Chris Ward: 'or even' 10.h4 Chris Ward: 'The first point of interest is that the 'closer to perfection' option is seemingly to side-step the 'Chinese Variation' and the (also seen between the two this month) 'Topalov System' but allow the forthcoming 'Soltis'. The first point of interest is that the 'closer to perfection' option is seemingly to side-step the 'Chinese Variation' and the (also seen between the two this month) 'Topalov System' but allow the forthcoming 'Soltis'. The first point of interest is that the 'closer to perfection' option is seemingly to side-step the 'Chinese Variation' and the (also seen between the two this month) 'Topalov System' but allow the forthcoming 'Soltis'.'

[10.0-0-0

A) 10...Qa5

A1) 11.Kb1 Ne5 12.Bb3 *(12.Be2 Rfc8 13.g4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Nb3 Qd8 16.Bd4 Be6 17.h4 a5 18.g5 Nh5 19.Qe3 a4 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Nd4 a3 22.b3 Qb6 23.Ka1 Rc5 24.Nb1 d5 25.Nxe6 fxe6 26.Rhe1 Qd6 27.Re2 Rcc8 28.c3 Rf8 29.exd5 exd5 30.Qxe7 Qxe7 31.Rxe7 Rxf3 32.Rxb7 Nf5 33.Re1 Re3 34.Rxe3 Nxe3 35.Nxa3 Rxa3 36.Kb2 Ra8 37.a4 Nf5 38.Rd7 Nxh4 39.Rxd5 h6 ½-½ (39) Stoofvlees Ii B1 (3511)-Ethereal Nnue (3515) tcec-chess.com INT 2022)* 12...Rfc8

A1a) 13.g4 b5

A1a1) 14.h4 Rab8 *(14...b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.Bxd5 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Nb3 Qb5 19.h5 Rac8 20.hxg6 hxg6 21.Qh2 Rxc2 22.Qh7+ Kf8 23.Bh6 Rxb2+ 24.Ka1 Rxa2+ 25.Kxa2 Qa4+ 26.Kb1 Qxb3# 0-1 (26) Anonymous64206D (2813)-Nofastdraw (2664) Blitz 2022)* 15.h5 Nc4 16.Bxc4 bxc4 17.Ka1 Qb4 18.Rb1 Rc5 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Nf5 gxf5 21.Bxc5 Qxc5 22.gxf5 Kf7 23.f4 Qa5 24.Rhe1

Ne8 25.e5 Bxf5 26.exd6 Nxd6 27.Rxe7+ Kxe7 28.Nd5+ Qxd5 29.Qxd5 Rb5 30.Qc6 Rb6 31.Qc7+ Kf8 32.Qxa7 Bd4 33.Qa8+ Kf7 34.Qd5+ Ke7 35.Qxd4 Ne4 36.Qxb6 1-0 (36) Timetrave1 (2850)-Azotador (2671) Blitz 2023;

A1a2) 14.g5 b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Qc7 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Ne2 Bf5 20.Rc1 Bc3 21.bxc3 bxc3 22.Nxc3 Qxc3 23.Qxc3 Rxc3 24.Bd4 Rc4 25.Rhd1 a6 26.Rd2 Rb8+ 27.Ka1 Rb5 28.Be3 h5 29.h4 Be4 30.Rd4 Rxd4 31.Bxd4 Rxd5 32.c3 e5 33.fxe5 dxe5 34.Bg1 Bf5 35.Re1 f6 36.gxf6 Kf7 37.c4 Ra5 38.c5 Kxf6 39.Kb2 Rb5+ 40.Kc3 Ra5 41.Kb2 Be6 42.a3 Rb5+ 43.Kc2 Bd5 44.Bf2 Ke6 45.Bd4 e4 46.Rf1 Bb3+ 47.Kc3 Bd5 48.Rf6+ Ke7 49.Rxg6 Rb3+ 50.Kc2 Rxa3 51.c6 Rd3 52.Bc5+ Kf7 53.Rh6 Rh3 54.c7 Rh2+ 55.Kc3 Bb7 56.Rb6 Rh3+ 57.Kd4 Bc8 58.Rb8 Bg4 59.Rf8+ Kg6 60.Kxe4 Rc3 61.Kd4 Rc1 62.Rg8+ Kf7 63.Rxg4 Rd1+ 64.Kc4 hxg4 65.c8Q Rc1+ 66.Kb3 Rxc5 67.Qxc5 Kg6 68.Qg1 Kh6 69.h5 Kxh5 70.Qg3 Kg5 71.Kc4 Kf5 72.Kd4 1-0 (72) Silence404 (2903)-Wuzhaobing (2698) Blitz 2024;

A1b) 13.Bg5 All of a sudden my old favourite ...Qa5 line appears to be having a mini resurgence and whilst I'm not totally convinced yet, if one super computer can hold with Black against another then it can't be all bad! Elsewhere in this October 2022 update you may note that a game of my own saw my opponent deploy the h4 and g4 permutation against me. Well Kb1 and Bg5 are the other moves up for consideration and here they are both played in a system for White that is solid if not especially dangerous.

A1b1) The instinctive 13...Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Nb3 has reaped good results in practice for White and I always recall the text as being the textbook recommendation. For now retaining those minor pieces, this rook lift supports the black queen whilst potentially laterally attacks White's dark-squared bishop.;

A1b2) 13...Rxc3 14.bxc3 *(14.Qxc3 Qxc3 15.bxc3 a5 16.a4 Rc8 17.Kb2 Be8 18.Ne2 Kf8 19.Be3 Nfd7 20.Bd4 Nc5 21.Ra1 b5 22.axb5 Bxb5 23.Nf4 a4 24.Ba2 Bc4 25.Bxe5 Bxe5 26.Bxc4 Bxf4 27.Bd5 e6 28.Ba2 Be5 29.Rab1 Nd7 30.Kc1 Rxc3 31.Rd1 Nc5 32.Kd2 Ra3 33.Bc4 Bxh2 34.Rb8+ Kg7 35.Rdb1 d5 36.exd5 Bxb8 37.Rxb8*

exd5 38.Bxd5 f5 39.Rb5 Na6 40.Rb7+ Kh6 41.Bg8 Kg5 42.Rxh7 Ra1 43.Ra7 Nc5 44.Ra5 Nd7 45.Be6 Nf6 46.Ra6 Nh5 47.Bf7 Ng3 48.Rxg6+ Kf4 49.Ra6 Nf1+ 50.Kc3 a3 51.Be6 Ne3 52.Ra5 Rc1 53.Rxa3 Rxc2+ 54.Kd3 Rc6 55.Bb3 Nxg2 56.Bd5 Rd6 57.Kd4 Rd8 58.Ra4 Ne3 59.Kd3+ Kg3 60.Kxe3 Rxd5 61.f4 Rd8 62.Ke2 Re8+ 63.Kf1 Re3 64.Rb4 Rf3+ 65.Kg1 Rxf4 66.Rb3+ Rf3 67.Rb4 f4 68.Rb8 Rd3 69.Rg8+ Kf3 70.Kh2 Rd2+ 71.Kg1 Rd1+ 72.Kh2 Rd2+ 73.Kg1 Rd3 74.Re8 Re3 75.Rd8 Ke2 76.Rf8 Rg3+ 77.Kh2 Rf3 78.Kg2 Rf2+ 79.Kg1 f3 80.Re8+ Kd2 81.Kxf2 Kd3 82.Kxf3 Kd4 83.Kf4 Kd5 84.Kf5 Kd6 85.Re6+ Kd7 86.Ke5 Kd8 87.Kd5 Kc8 88.Kc6 Kd8 89.Re5 Kc8 90.Re8# 1-0 (90) Charles Ingalls (2830)-Hungzhao (2736) Blitz 2021 *)* 14...Rc8 15.h4 Qxc3 *(15...b5 16.h5 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Nb3 Qxc3 20.Qxc3 Rxc3 21.Bd2 Rc4 22.Be3 a6 23.Bd4 Be6 24.Bb2 Nd7 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Nd4 Bf7 27.Rd2 Rb4+ 28.Ka1 Ra4 29.c3 Nb6 30.g4 Ra3 31.Rc2 Na4 32.Rhc1 Bc4 33.g5 Bd3 34.Rd2 Bc4 35.Nc6 Kf7 36.e5 d5 37.Rh2 Ke6 38.Rxh7 Rxa2+ 39.Kb1 Rb2+ 40.Ka1 Ra2+ 41.Kb1 Rb2+ 42.Ka1 Ra2+* ½-½ (42) Charles Ingalls (2827)-Hungzhao (2739) Blitz 2021*)* 16.Qxc3 Rxc3 17.h5 b5 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Ne2 Rc5 20.Be3 Rc7 21.Nf4 a5 22.a3 a4 23.Ba2 Nc4 24.Bc1 Rb7 25.Bxc4 bxc4+ 26.Ka2 Ne8 27.Nd5 e6 28.Nb4 Bb5 29.Be3 c3 30.Bd4 Be2 31.Bxg7 Bxd1 32.Bxc3 1-0 (32) Charles Ingalls (2830)-Hungzhao (2736) Blitz 2021;

A1b3) 13...Rc5

A1b31) Note though that the immediate 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nd5 offers little or nothing i.e. Qxd2 16.Nxf6+ *(*or *16.Rxd2 Kg7)* 16...Kg7 17.Nh5+ *(*and *17.Rxd2 Kxf6 18.f4 Nc6)* with a choice of 17...Kh6 18.Rxd2 Kxh5 or simply 17...gxh5 with a view to using the g-file.;

A1b32) 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Nb3 Qc7 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nd5 Qb8 19.Nxf6+ exf6 20.Qxd6 Qxd6 21.Rxd6 Bc6 22.Nd2 Rc5 23.Rxf6 Rd8 24.Kc1 Kg7 25.e5 Bxg2 26.Rd1 Rcd5 27.Rd6 R5xd6 28.exd6 Rxd6 29.Rg1 Bd5 30.Rg5 f5 31.Rg3 Re6 32.c3 Re2 33.c4 Be4 34.Nxe4 Rxe4 35.b3 Rxf4

36.Rd3 Rf1+ 37.Kd2 Rf2+ 38.Ke3 Rxh2 39.Rd7+ Kh6 40.Rxb7 Rb2 41.c5 Kg5 42.Kd3 Rb1 43.Kc2 Re1 44.b4 h5 45.Rxa7 h4 46.Rh7 f4 47.c6 f3 48.c7 Re8 49.Rf7 Kg4 50.b5 h3 51.b6 h2 52.b7 h1Q 53.c8Q+ Kg3 54.Qxe8 Qg2+ 55.Kb3 Qf1 56.Qe5+ Kf2 57.Rxf3+ Kxf3 58.Qf6+ Ke2 59.Qxf1+ Kxf1 60.b8Q 1-0 (60) Rosagasa (2853)-Pernambuquinho (2607) Blitz 2021;

A1b33) 14.h4!? An interesting idea for reasons that will soon become clear. White is not after a mating attack but rather a favourable endgame.

A1b331)

Most common though is 14...Rac8 when

A1b3311)

Instead White should be more ambitious with 15.h5!? as Rxc3 *(15...Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxg5?* not working because of *17.Nb3!)* 16.bxc3 doesn't allow Black to grab that extra pawn through Nxh5?! because of 17.Bxe7;

A1b3312) 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 Kg7 18.h5 Bg5 19.f4 can be met by Rxd5! 20.exd5 Bxf4 with a pawn and good pieces for the exchange. Instead though White should be more ambitious with 15 h5!?.;

A1b332) 14...b5 A typical continuation enabling Black to recapture with his b-pawn in order to open up the b-file after a future ...Nc4. As White appears to be mixing his plans, one view is that probably Black can afford to give a tempo too hence why 14...Nc4 wouldn't be unreasonable and there is also something to be said for 14... Re8!? (protecting the e-pawn and thus enabling the Dragon bishop to move after the Bxf6 and Nd5 sequence). With all that in mind, would you argue with the choice of the 3512 rated robot!? 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 (In the past I have suggested that Black could try mixing things up, avoiding the endgames through the likes of *15...exf6* (hoping to liven this

bishop up later via ... f5) *16.h5 Nc4 17.Bxc4 bxc4 18.hxg6 hxg6* The engines aren't a great fan but to me it remains a viable option against flesh and blood!*)* 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Rxd2 This particular position is rather awkward for Black as the h4-pawn controls g5 and has the potential to be even more annoying on h5 or h6. *(17.Nxf6+?! Kg7 18.Nh5+ gxh5 19.Rxd2* is even a little better for Black now.*)* 17...Kg7 18.h5

A1b3321)

18...Bg5?! 19.f4 Bh6 *(* Note *19...Rxd5* doesn't work now as *20.Bxd5 Bxf4 21.h6+ Kg8 22.Rf2 Be3 23.Re2 Bxd4 24.Bxa8* is the double exchange. *)* 20.hxg6 Nxg6 *(* Forced in view of *20...hxg6 21.Rxh6 Kxh6 22.fxe5)* 21.g3 was very awkward for Black in Guseinov,K (2456)-Rajlich,V (2337) Budapest HUN 2001.;

A1b3322)

The likes of 18...g5 19.h6+ Kg6 20.f4 are off-putting and so instead Black accepts that his structure will be compromised.;

A1b3323) 18...a5 19.a3 *(* Dealing with the threat to his bishop first. Instead *19.h6+ Kf8 20.Nxf6 exf6 21.a3 b4* doesn't look too bad for Black. Sure he gets that inevitable isolated d-pawn but as in the main game, his king can defend that whilst he has some queenside action. *)* 19...Ra6! As mentioned, Black has accepted his fate and prepares to defend accordingly. 20.h6+ Played without further delay. *(* Repeating the earlier theme, if White hangs around long e.g. with *20.c3* then Black does have the option for *Bg5* and if *21.f4* then *Rxd5 22.exd5 Bxf4* wiith a pawn for the exchange and the Dragon bishop preserved.*)* 20...Kf8 21.Nxf6 exf6 Not exactly a

Dragon player's dream position but I think this inferior endgame is eminently holdable. 22.Ne2 Be6 The d6-pawn is the only real weakness but of course Black won't want the white knight taking up residence on the d5-outpost. 23.Nf4 Ke7 24.Rhd1 Rb6 Of course White is for preference but Black isn't too uncomfortable. 25.Nd5+ Other plans for progression aren't obvious and clearly the 3515 rated monster couldn't find anything better than allowing further liquidation. Bxd5 26.Bxd5 Nc4 27.Bxc4 *(White doesn't even attempt to preserve pieces through 27.Re2)* 27...bxc4 And so now we have a double rook endgame. Of course White has the better pawn structure but suddenly ...c3 is a big threat. 28.Rd5 Rbc6 29.f4 a4 30.Ka2 f5 31.exf5 gxf5 Yes of course White is still for preference but the game goes on for ages without any real progress being made. 32.R5d2 Kd7 33.c3 Rb5 34.Re2 Rc8 35.Red2 Rc6 36.Re1 Rc8 37.Rd4 Rbc5 38.Red1 R8c6 39.Kb1 Ra6 40.R4d2 Rb5 41.Re1 Ra8 42.Red1 Ra6 43.Re1 Ra8 44.Re3 Rg8 45.Rde2 Rb7 46.Re7+ Finally some excitement! Kc6 47.Rxb7 Kxb7 48.Re7+ Kb6 49.Rxf7 Rxg2 50.Rxh7 Rh2 51.Rh8 Kc5 52.h7 Rh1+ 53.Kc2 Rh2+ 54.Kd1 Kd5 But it's still a draw! 55.Ke1 Rh4 56.Kf2 Rxf4+ 57.Ke2 Rh4 58.Ke3 Rh1 59.Kf3 Rh2 60.Ke3 Rh1 61.Kd2 ½-½ (61) Ethereal Nnue (3515)-Stoofvlees Ii B1 (3511) tcec-chess.com INT 2022 The Week in Chess 1459 [Chris Ward];

A2) 11.Bb3 Rfc8

A2a) 12.h4 Ne5 13.Kb1 *(13.Nde2 b5 14.Kb1 Nc4 15.Qd3 Nxe3 16.Qxe3 b4 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Qd8*

19.Nd4 a5 20.Nc6 Bxc6 21.dxc6 e6 22.Ba4 Qf6 23.Qc1 d5 24.h5 Ra6 25.h6 Bh8 26.Rhf1 Raxc6 27.Bxc6 Rxc6 28.g4 a4 29.g5 Qf5 30.Rd3 a3 31.Qd2 Rc4 32.Rb3 Bxb2 33.Rxb4 Rxb4 34.Qxb4 Qe5 35.f4 Qc7 36.Rf3 f6 37.Rb3 fxg5 38.Qb8+ Qxb8 39.Rxb8+ Kf7 40.fxg5 e5 41.Rb7+ Kg8 42.Rg7+ 1-0 (42) Zubov,A (2970)-Smurf42 (2746) Blitz 2021 *)*

A2a1) 13...Rab8 14.Bh6 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Bxh6 16.Qxh6 Rxc4 17.Nb3 Qh5 18.Qe3 b6 19.g4 Qe5 20.Rd3 Rbc8 21.Re1 Kf8 22.f4 Qe6 23.g5 Ng4 24.Qd2 f6 25.Nd4 Qf7 26.b3 R4c5 27.gxf6 exf6 28.f5 Qg7 Time forfeit 0-1 (28) Leelamultiposs (2962)-Aks Mantissa (2657) Blitz 2024;

A2a2) 13...b5

A2a21) 14.h5

A2a211) 14...Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4

A2a2111) 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Bh6 *(17.Nde2 Rab8 18.Ka1 Qb4 19.Rb1 Rc6 20.Bd4 Ra6 21.Rhd1 Ra5 22.g4 Be8 23.g5 Nh5 24.Bxg7 Nxg7 25.a3 Bf7 26.Ka2 Ne6 27.Nd4 Nc5 28.Nc6 Qb6 29.Nxa5 Qxa5 30.Qd4 Na4 31.Nd5 Rb7 32.Qxc4 Nb6 33.Qc6 Nxd5 34.exd5 Rc7 35.Qa8+ Kg7 36.c3 Rc5 37.Qb7 Rxd5 38.c4 Rxd1 39.Rxd1 Bxc4+ 40.Ka1 Kf7 41.Qe4 Be6 42.Re1 Qxg5 43.Qxe6+ Kf8 44.Ka2 h5 45.Re4 h4 46.Rg4 Qd2 47.Rxg6 Qd5+ 48.Qxd5 e6 49.Qxe6 d5 50.Rg8#* 1-0 (50) Dont Blunder (2829)-Dimitriy1975 (2607) Blitz 2022*)* 17...Bh8 18.Ka1 Rab8 19.Rb1 Rb6 20.Nde2 *(20.g4 Ra6 21.Rhg1 Qb4 22.Nf5 gxf5 23.gxf5+ Kf7 24.f4 Rxa2+* 0-1 (24) Anya6 (2817)-Wuzhaobing (2690) Blitz 2022*)* 20...Ra6 21.Be3 Rcc6 22.g4 Qxa2+ 23.Nxa2 Rxa2+ 24.Kxa2 Ra6+ 0-1 (24) Dont Blunder (2840)-Wuzhaobing (2735) Blitz 2021;

A2a2112) 16.Bh6 Bh8 17.Nd5 Qd8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Nf5 gxf5 20.Qg5+ Kf7 21.Nxf6 Bxf6 22.Qh5+ Kg8

23.Bf4 Be6 24.Qxh7+ Kf8 25.Qg6 Bf7 26.Qxf5 Rc5 27.e5 Rxe5 28.Bxe5 Bxe5 29.Rh7 Bf6 30.c3 Qb6 31.Rxf7+ Kxf7 32.Qd5+ Kg7 33.Qxa8 Bxc3 34.b3 cxb3 0-1 (34) Secret Mikalsen (2844)-Wuzhaobing (2688) Blitz 2024;

A2a212) 14...Nxh5 15.g4 Nf6 16.Bh6 Bxh6 17.Qxh6 Rxc3 18.bxc3 Nc4 19.g5 Nh5 20.Rxh5 gxh5 21.Ne2 Qa3 22.Bxc4 bxc4 23.Ka1 Rb8 24.Rb1 Rxb1+ 25.Kxb1 Qc5 26.Qxh5 Qe3 27.f4 Qxe4 28.Nd4 e5 29.fxe5 dxe5 30.Nf3 Bf5 31.Qh2 Qxf3 32.Qxe5 Qd1+ 0-1 (32) Abdisalimov (2833)-Smurf42 (2735) Blitz 2022;

A2a213) 14...Rxc3 15.hxg6 b4 16.gxf7+ Kh8 17.Bh6 Rxb3 18.Bxg7+ Kxg7 19.Nxb3 Qc7 20.g4 Nxf7 21.g5 Ng8 22.f4 Bg4 23.Nd4 e5 24.Rdg1 Bd7 25.Rxh7+ Kxh7 26.g6+ Kg7 27.gxf7+ Kxf7 28.fxe5 dxe5 29.Qg2 Rf8 30.Nf5 Ke8 31.Qg6+ Kd8 32.Qg7 Re8 33.Rd1 Qc6 34.Nd6 Ne7 35.Nxe8 Kxe8 36.Rf1 Kd8 37.Rf7 Qd6 38.Qf8+ Be8 39.Rf1 Kc7 40.Qf2 Bc6 41.Qe1 Qc5 42.Qc1 a5 43.Re1 Ng6 44.b3 Nf4 45.Rd1 Qc3 46.Rd2 Bxe4 47.Rd1 Bxc2+ 0-1 (47) Lsgeneraal (2911)-Wuzhaobing (2749) Blitz 2022;

A2a22) 14.Ncxb5 Qxd2 15.Bxd2 Rab8 16.Nc3 a5 17.a3 *(17.a4 Nc4 18.Ndb5 Nxd2+ 19.Rxd2 Bxb5 20.Nxb5 Nd7 21.c3 Nc5 22.Ka2 h5 23.Re2 Be5 24.Rd2 Kg7 25.Bc2 Rb6 26.Re2 Rcb8 27.Rd2 Rc8 28.Re2 Rcb8 29.Bd1 Rc8 30.Rd2 Rcb8 31.Re2 Rc8 32.Rd2 Rcb8 33.Re2* ½-½ (33) Silence404 (2881)-Wuzhaobing (2687) Blitz 2024*; 17.Ka1 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Nde2 a4 20.a3 Be6 21.Rb1 Nd7 22.Rhd1 h5 23.Be3 Bf6 24.Bf2 Ne5 25.Nd4 Rcc8 26.Nxa4 Nc4 27.Nxe6 fxe6 28.Bd4 Bxh4 29.Ka2 e5 30.Bg1 Bg5 31.b3 Nd2 32.Rb2 Rc6 33.c4 Kf7 34.Rbxd2 Bxd2 35.Rxd2 g5 36.c5 h4 37.b4 Ke6 38.b5 Rc7 39.b6 Rc6 40.cxd6*

exd6 41.Rb2 Rb7 42.Be3 Kf6 43.Kb3 Kg6 44.Nc3 Kh5 45.a4 g4 46.fxg4+ Kxg4 47.a5 Kg3 48.Nd5 Rb8 49.a6 h3 50.gxh3 Kf3 51.a7 Ra8 52.b7 Rcc8 53.bxc8Q Rxc8 54.Nb6 Re8 55.a8Q Rxa8 56.Nxa8 Kxe3 57.h4 Kxe4 58.h5 d5 59.h6 d4 60.h7 1-0 (60) Timetrave1 (2849)-Wuzhaobing (2692) Blitz 2023 *)* 17...Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Nde2 Be6 20.Ka1 Nd7 21.Be3 Ne5 22.Bd4 Rc7 23.Nf4 Rcb7 24.Ncd5 Nc4 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Rd4 Nxb2 27.Rb1 Bxd5 28.exd5 h6 29.Nh3 Rb5 30.Nf2 e5 31.dxe6 fxe6 32.Rxd6 Na4 33.Rxb5 Rxb5 34.Ne4 Nc5 35.Nxc5 Rxc5 36.Kb2 Kf6 37.Rd4 Ke5 38.Re4+ Kd5 39.Kb3 Rb5+ 40.Kc3 h5 41.Kd3 Rb1 42.c4+ Kd6 43.Ke3 Rb3+ 44.Kf4 Rxa3 45.Kg5 Ra2 46.g4 Rf2 47.Kxg6 hxg4 48.fxg4 Kc5 49.h5 a4 50.h6 a3 51.h7 Rh2 52.Rxe6 Kxc4 53.Ra6 Kb3 54.g5 a2 55.Kg7 Kb2 56.g6 a1Q 57.Rxa1 Kxa1 58.h8Q Rxh8 59.Kxh8 Kb2 60.g7 Kc3 61.g8Q 1-0 (61) Silence404 (2918)-Wuzhaobing (2684) Blitz 2024;

A2a3) 13...Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Nb3 Qc7 16.Bd4 Be6 17.g4 Rc8 18.h5 a5 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Nb5 Qd7 21.Na3 Rxd4 22.Nxd4 Bf7 23.Qxa5 b5 24.Naxb5 Qe8 25.Qd2 Nd7 26.Nb3 Ne5 27.N5d4 Nc4 28.Qh2 h6 29.f4 Qa4 30.g5 h5 31.f5 Be5 32.Qh3 Ra8 33.a3 Nxa3+ 34.bxa3 Qxa3 35.fxg6 Qa2+ 36.Kc1 Bf4+ 37.Rd2 Bc4 38.Qc3 d5 39.exd5 Bxd5 40.Rf1 e5 41.Rxf4 exf4 42.Nf5 Qa3+ 43.Kd1 Qa7 44.Nh6+ Kf8 45.Qf6+ Ke8 46.Re2+ Qe3 47.Rxe3+ fxe3 48.g7 Kd7 49.Ke2 Bc4+ 50.Kxe3 Re8+ 51.Kd4 Be6 52.Nc5+ Kd6 53.Nxe6 Rxe6 54.Qxe6+ Kxe6 55.g8Q+ Ke7 56.Qf7+ Kd6 57.Nf5+ Kc6 58.g6 h4 59.g7 h3 60.g8Q Kb6 61.Qb8+ Kc6 62.Qfc7# 1-0 (62) Cruel_Yaro (2820)-Niclox (2621) Blitz 2022;

A2a4) 13...h5 14.Bg5 Rc5 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qxd2 17.Nxf6+ exf6 18.Rxd2 a5 19.a3 a4 20.Bd5 Rb8 21.b3 Kf8 22.b4 Rc7 23.Rhd1 Ke7 24.Re2 b5 25.f4 Nc4 26.Rd3 Kf8 27.Kc1 Nb6 28.Ba2 Re8 29.g3 f5 30.exf5 Rxe2 31.Nxe2 Bxf5 32.Rc3 Re7 33.Kd2 Bd7 34.Rd3 d5 35.Re3 f6 36.Nd4 Nc4+ 37.Bxc4 dxc4 38.Re2 Kf7 39.Ke1 Rxe2+ 40.Kxe2 Ke7 41.Kf3 Kd6 42.Ke4

f5+ 43.Kf3 Kd5 44.Ne2 Be8 45.Ke3 Bd7 46.Nc3+ Kd6 47.Kf2 Ke6 48.Kf3 Bc6+ 49.Ke3 Ke7 50.Kf2 Kd6 51.Ke2 Ke6 52.Ke3 Be8 53.Kd4 Kd6 54.Nd5 Bd7 55.Nf6 Bc8 56.Nh7 Be6 57.Kc3 Bd7 58.Nf6 Bc6 59.Kd2 Bh1 60.Kc3 Bd5 61.Kd2 Bc6 62.Ke2 Ke7 63.Nh7 Be4 64.Kd2 Bc6 65.Ke3 Kd6 66.Kd4 Be4 67.Kc3 Bc6 68.Nf8 Be8 69.Nh7 Bc6 70.Kd2 Be8 71.Nf6 Bf7 72.Ke2 Kc6 73.Nh7 Kd6 74.Kf2 Kd5 75.Ke3 Kc6 76.Ng5 Bd5 77.Ke2 Kd6 78.Kd2 Kc7 79.Ke1 Kb6 80.Kd2 Kc7 81.Ke1 Kb6 82.Kf1 Kb7 83.Kf2 Kc6 84.Ke3 Kd7 85.Nh3 Be4 86.Kd2 Bc6 87.c3 Kd6 88.Ke3 Bd5 89.Ke2 Be4 90.Ng5 Bd5 91.Kf2 Ke7 92.Nh3 Bh1 93.Ke2 Be4 94.Kf2 Bh1 95.Ke2 Be4 96.Kd2 Kd6 97.Ng5 Bd5 98.Ke2 ½-½ (98) Lczero D Tilps Dje Magi (3586)-Stockfish (3601) tcec-chess.com INT 2021;

A2b) 12.Rhe1 Rab8 13.Kb1 b5 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Nxe7+ Kf8 17.Bxd2 Kxe7 18.e5 Nd7 19.exd6+ Kf8 20.Re7 Ne5 21.Bf4 Nc4 22.Rc7 Bf6 23.Bh6+ Kg8 24.Rxc8+ Rxc8 25.Bxc4 bxc4 26.d7 Rd8 27.Rd6 Bxd7 28.Rxf6 Be6 29.Kc1 Rd5 30.Bd2 h5 31.b4 cxb3 32.axb3 Re5 33.Kd1 Rf5 34.Rxf5 Bxf5 35.Bb4 f6 36.Kd2 Kf7 37.c4 a6 38.Bd6 Ke6 39.Bc7 Kd7 40.Bb6 Bb1 41.Kc3 Ke7 42.Bg1 Ke6 43.h3 Bf5 44.Bb6 Ke7 45.Kd2 Ke8 46.Bd4 Ke7 47.Kc3 Bb1 48.Bc5+ Ke6 49.Bb6 Ke7 50.Kd2 Ke8 51.Bd4 Kf7 52.Bb6 Ke8 53.Be3 Ke7 54.Bd4 Bf5 55.Kc3 Bb1 56.Bf2 Ke6 57.g3 Bf5 58.h4 Kd6 59.b4 Bh3 60.f4 f5 61.Bg1 Bf1 62.Kd4 Bg2 63.Be3 Bf3 64.Kc3 Bg2 65.Kd4 Bf3 66.Bf2 Bg2 67.Kc3 Bf1 68.Kd4 Bg2 69.Be1 Bb7 70.Bd2 Bg2 71.Bc1 Bf1 72.Ba3 Bg2 73.b5+ Ke6 74.bxa6 Bf3 75.Kc3 Bh1 76.Bf8 Bg2 77.Bb4 Bf3 78.Kd4 Bg2 79.Bc5 Bh1 80.Bb4 Bg2 81.Kc5 Kd7 82.Kb5 Bf3 83.Bc5 Bc6+ 84.Kb4 Bf3 85.Kb5 Be4 86.Bd4 Bf3 87.Bb6 Bc6+ 88.Kb4 Bf3 89.Kb5 Bc6+ 90.Kb4 Bf3 91.Bc5 Ke6 92.Kb5 Kd7 93.Bd4 Be4 94.Ka5 Bf3 95.Bb6 Be4 96.Bc5 Bf3 97.Bd4 Be4 98.Be5 Bf3 99.Bb2 Be4 100.Bd4 Bf3 101.Be5 Be4 102.Kb4 Bf3 103.Kb5 Be4 104.Ka5 Bf3 105.Bb2 Be4 106.Bc1 Bf3 107.Ba3 Be4 108.Bb4 Bf3 109.Bc3 Be4 110.Kb6 Bf3 111.a7 Ba8 112.Kc5 Ke6 113.Kb5 Kd7 114.Kb6 Bg2 115.Be1 Ba8 116.Kc5 Ke6 117.Kb5 Kd7 118.Kb6 Bg2 119.Bb4 Ba8 120.Kc5 Ke6 121.Kb5 Kd7

122.Kb6 Bc6 123.Bc3 Ba8 124.Kc5 Bg2 125.Kd4 Ke6 126.Bb4 Bh1 127.Kc3 Ba8 128.Bc5 Bg2 129.Ba3 Bh1 130.Bc1 Ba8 131.Bd2 Bg2 132.Be3 Bh1 133.Bc5 Bg2 134.Kd2 Ba8 135.Ke3 Bg2 136.Bb4 Bh1 137.Bc3 Bg2 138.Be5 Ba8 139.Bc3 Bg2 140.Be5 Bh1 141.Bb8 Ba8 142.Bc7 Bb7 143.Be5 Ba8 144.Kd2 Bb7 145.Kc1 Ba8 146.Kd2 Bb7 147.Kc3 Bf3 148.c5 Ba8 149.Kc4 Bc6 150.Bd6 Ba8 151.Kb5 Kd7 152.Bf8 Bg2 153.Kb6 Bh1 154.Bd6 Bg2 155.Bb8 Bc6 156.Bd6 Ba8 157.Bc7 Bc6 158.Bd8 Ba8 159.Bc7 Bc6 160.Bd6 Bg2 161.Ka5 Bh1 162.Be5 Ba8 163.Ka6 Bc6 164.Kb6 Ba8 165.Bf6 Bc6 166.Bg5 Ba8 167.Bf6 Bc6 168.Ka6 Ba8 169.Bc3 Bc6 170.Kb6 Ba8 171.Be5 Bc6 172.Ka6 Bg2 173.Kb6 Bh1 174.Bb8 Bg2 175.Bd6 Bh1 176.Bf8 Bg2 177.Bd6 Be4 178.Kb5 Bh1 179.Ka6 Bg2 180.Bb8 Bh1 181.c6+ Bxc6 182.Kb6 Bg2 183.Bc7 Bh1 184.Bb8 Bg2 185.Kc5 Bh1 186.Be5 Ke6 ½-½ (186) Stockfish (3601)-Lczero D Tilps Dje Magi (3586) tcec-chess.com INT 2021;

B) 10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4

B1) 11...Rc8 12.Be2

B1a) 12...b5 13.Nxb5 *(13.Kb1 b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qxd5 Qc7 17.Rd2 Qc5 18.Qxc5 Rxc5 19.h4 h5 20.Rc1 Rfc8 21.Rd4 a5 22.b3 Rc3 23.Rd3 R3c5 24.Rd4 Kf6 25.Kb2 Ke5 26.Rc4 Kf4 27.Rxc5 Rxc5 28.Bc4 f6 29.Bf7 Kg3 30.Bxg6 Kxg2 31.f4 Kg3 32.f5 Bc6 33.Re1 Kxh4 34.Rh1+ Kg3 35.Rxh5 Bxe4 36.c4 bxc3+ 37.Kc1 c2 38.Bf7 Rxf5 39.Rxf5 Bxf5 40.a3 e5 41.b4 axb4 42.axb4 e4 43.b5 e3 44.Bc4 Be4 45.b6 f5 46.Bd3 Bxd3 47.b7 e2 48.b8Q e1Q+ 49.Kb2 Qb1+ 50.Ka3 c1Q+ 51.Qb2 Qbxb2+ 52.Ka4 Qca1#* 0-1 (52) Arm (2849)-Tiger Nad (2731) Blitz 2021*)*

13...a6 14.Nc3 Qa5 15.Kb1 Be6 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Bxa6 Ra8 18.Bc4 Bxd5 19.Bxd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Bxd4 21.Qxd4 Qa5 22.a3 Rfb8 23.Rd3 Rb5 24.Ka2 Rab8 25.Rb3 Rxb3 26.cxb3 Rb5 27.b4 Qa6 28.Qc4 Qb7 29.Qc6 Qb8 30.Rc1 Kg7 31.Qc3+ Kh6 32.Qe3+ Kg7 33.Qxe7 Rxd5 34.Rc7 Rf5 35.Qxd6 Qe8 36.Qd4+ Kh6 37.Qc4 Kg7 38.Rc5 Rf6 39.b5 Qd8 40.Rc6 Rf5 41.b6 Qd7 42.Rc7 Qd8 43.b7 Qb8 44.Qd4+ Kh6 45.Qb6 Rf6 46.Qxf6 Qxc7 47.Qh4+ Kg7 48.Qd4+ Kh6 49.Qb4 Qb8 50.g3 f5 51.Qf4+ Kh5 52.Qh4# 1-0 (52) Anya6 (2856)-Saqochess (2660) Blitz 2022;

B1b) 12...Qa5 13.Kb1 Be6 14.a3 b6 15.g4 Bc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nd5 Qc5 19.Nxf6+ exf6 20.Qxd6

Rxc2 21.Qxf6 Rf2 22.Rc1 Qe3 23.Rc3 Qe2 24.Rb3 Rc8 25.h4 a5 26.h5 a4 27.Rb4 b5 28.hxg6 Rf1+ 29.Rxf1 Qxf1+ 30.Ka2 hxg6 31.Rd4 Qe2 32.g5 Qc2 33.Rb4 Rc4 34.Rxb5 Rc8 35.Rb4 Qc5 36.f4 Qe3 37.Qd4 Qf3 38.Rxa4 Qxf4 39.Rc4 Re8 40.Qd5 Qf3 41.Rc7 Qf4 42.Rd7 Rf8 43.a4 Qf3 44.a5 Qe2 45.Rd6 Qe1 46.Rxg6+ Kh7 47.Rh6+ Kg7 48.Qe5+ f6 49.Qe7+ Rf7 50.gxf6+ Kxh6 51.Qxf7 Qxa5+ 52.Kb3 Qe1 53.Kc4 Qd1 54.Kc5 Qd2 55.Qd5 1-0 (55) Anya6 (2875)-Dontblinktwice (2653) Blitz 2022;

B2) 11...b5 12.Bxb5 *(12.Nxb5 Qb8 13.Nc3 Rc8 14.Bb3 a5 15.a4 Qb4 16.Kb1 Rab8 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Nd5 Qxd2 19.Nxf6+ Kg7 20.Rxd2 Kxf6 21.f4 Kg7 22.Rd5 Be6 23.Rxa5 Bxb3 24.cxb3 Rxb3 25.Rc1 Rcb8 26.Rc2 R3b4 27.Re2 Rd4 28.Ka2 Rbb4 29.Ka3 Rbc4 30.b3 Rc1 31.Rd5 Rxd5 32.exd5 Kf6 33.a5 Rd1 34.b4 Rxd5 35.a6 Rd1 36.a7* 1-0 (36) Anonymous64206D (2824)-Loin Sn (2813) Blitz 2022 *)* 12...Bxb5 13.Nxb5 Qb8 *(13...Rb8 14.Na3 Qc7 15.Kb1 Rfc8 16.c4 a6 17.Rhe1 e6 18.Bc3 Rd8 19.Rc1 Qb7 20.Re2 d5 21.cxd5 exd5 22.e5 Nd7 23.e6 Bxc3 24.exf7+ Kxf7 25.Rxc3 Nf6 26.Rb3 Qd7 27.Rxb8 Rxb8 28.Nc2 Qf5 29.Ka1 Rc8 30.Nd4 Qd7 31.b3 Qc7 32.Kb2 a5 33.Ne6 Qc6 34.Re1 a4 35.b4 Qc4 36.Nc5 a3+ 37.Ka1 Rb8 38.Nd3 Qd4+ 39.Kb1 Kg8 40.Rd1 Ne4 41.fxe4 dxe4 42.Nc5 Rxb4+ 43.Nb3 Qxd2 44.Rxd2 Kf7 45.Rd8 Ke6 46.Rd4 Rxd4 47.Nxd4+ Kd5 48.Nc2 Kc4 49.Nxa3+ Kc3 50.Nc2 g5 51.a4 Kc4 52.Kb2 h5 53.h4 gxh4 54.a5 Kb5 55.Kc3 Kxa5 56.Kd4 Kb5 57.Kxe4 Kc6 58.Ne3 h3 59.gxh3 Kd6 60.Ng2 Kc5 61.Nf4 Kd6 62.Nxh5 Ke6 63.Kf4 Kf7 64.Ng3 Kg8 65.h4 Kh8 66.Kg5 Kg8 67.h5 Kh8 68.Kg6 Kg8 69.Nf5 Kh8 70.Nd6 Kg8 71.h6 Kh8 72.Nf7+ Kg8 73.h7+ Kf8 74.h8Q+ Ke7 75.Qd8+ Ke6 76.Qd6#* 1-0 (76) Insearchoflosttime (2813)-Loin Sn (2786) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.Nc3 *(14.Na3 Rc8 15.Kb1 Qc7 16.c4 Rab8 17.Rc1 Qb7 18.Rhe1 a6 19.e5 dxe5 20.Bxe5 Rd8 21.Qc3 Rbc8 22.Qb3 Qd7 23.c5 Nd5 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Ka1 e6 26.Qc4 Qa7 27.h4 h5 28.g4 hxg4 29.fxg4 Rc6 30.Qd4+ Kg8 31.h5 Qe7 32.hxg6 fxg6 33.Qe4 Qg7 34.Nc4 a5 35.Nd6 Rdxd6 36.cxd6 Rxd6 37.Rc8+ Kf7 38.Rf1+ Ke7 39.Qa4 Rd7 40.Rcf8 Kd6 41.Qxd7+ Qxd7 42.R8f7 Qb5 43.Rd1 a4 44.a3 Qb3 45.Rd2 Qe3 46.Rff2 Qb3 47.Rfe2 e5 48.Re1 Ke6 49.Rde2 Kf6 50.g5+ Kxg5 51.Rxe5+ Kh6 52.R5e4 Kg7 53.Rg1 Nf6 54.Re7+ Qf7 55.Rxf7+ Kxf7 56.Rf1 Ke6 57.b4 g5 58.b5* 1-0 (58)

Insearchoflosttime (2814)-Loin Sn (2785) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Rc8 15.h4 Qb7 16.h5 Rab8 17.b3 Qb4 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Qa3+ 20.Kb1 Bxd4 21.Qxd4 Rxc2 22.Kxc2 Qxa2+ 23.Kd3 Rxb3+ 24.Ke4 Qxg2 25.Rhf1 f5+ 26.Kf4 Qh2+ 27.Kg5 Qxh5+ 0-1 (27) Wollongong2021 (3024)-Loin Sn (2815) Blitz 2022;

C) 10...Rb8

C1) 11.Kb1 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 b5

C1a) 13.Be2 b4 *(13...a5 14.e5 dxe5 15.Bxe5 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Bf5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qe5+ f6 20.Rxd8 fxe5 21.Rxf8 Rxf8 22.Rd1 Rc8 23.Bd3 Kf6 24.Kc1 a4 25.Kd2 Rd8 26.Ke2 Be6 27.a3 bxa3 28.bxa3 Rc8 29.Rb1 Rc3 30.Ra1 Bf5 31.Kd2 Rc7 32.Rb1 Rd7 33.Rb4 Rd4 34.Kc3 Bxd3 35.Rxd4 exd4+ 36.Kxd3 e5 37.Kc4 Ke6 38.Kc5 g5 39.g4 e4 40.Kxd4 exf3 41.Ke3 Kd5 42.Kxf3 Kc4 43.Ke2 Kc3 44.Kd1 Kb2 45.c4 Kxa3 46.c5 Kb2 47.c6 a3 48.c7 a2 49.c8Q a1Q+ 50.Ke2 Qa6+ 51.Qxa6 Kc3 52.Qh6 Kd4 53.Qxg5 Ke4 54.Qh6 Kd4 55.Qxh7 Kc4 56.g5 Kb3 57.g6 Ka2 58.g7 Ka1 59.g8Q Kb2 60.Qhf7 Ka1 61.Qge8 Kb2* ½-½ (61) Cruise97 (2817)-Unknown Maestro (2633) Blitz 2022 *)* 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.exd5 a5 17.h4 h5 18.g4 Rh8 *(18...a4 19.gxh5 b3 20.cxb3 axb3 21.a3 Bf5+ 22.Bd3 Bxd3+ 23.Qxd3 Qb6 24.hxg6 f5 25.h5 Kh6 26.Rde1 Rb7 27.Rhg1 Rg8 28.Qxf5 Qf2 29.Qf4+ Kg7 30.Qf7+ Kh6 31.Qh7#* 1-0 (31) Cruise97 (2812)-Unknown Maestro (2649) Blitz 2022 *)* 19.gxh5 Rxh5 20.f4 Rh6 21.h5 Bf5 22.hxg6 Rxg6 23.Bd3 Qd7 24.Qh2 Rg8 25.Rhe1 a4 26.Qd2 b3 27.cxb3 axb3 28.Qc3+ f6 29.Qxb3 Kf7 30.Qc2 Bxd3 31.Qxd3 Rg2 32.Qh7+ R8g7 33.Qh5+ Kf8 34.Re2 Qb5 35.Rde1 Rg1 36.Qh8+ Rg8 37.Qh6+ R8g7 38.Rxg1 1-0 (38) Solitarylife (2838)-Oanda (2633) Blitz 2023;

C1b) 13.Bb3 a5 14.e5 dxe5 15.Bxe5 Rb7 16.Bd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Qc8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rhe1 Be6 20.Qe5+ Kg8 21.Nxb5 Qc4 22.Nc3 Rfb8 23.b3 a4 24.Re4 Qc6 25.Rxa4 Rc8 26.Rad4 f6 27.Rd8+ Kf7 28.Rxc8 Qxc8 29.Qe3 Rc7 30.Kb2 g5 31.a4 h5 32.Rd2 h4 33.Nb5 Rc5 34.Nd4 Bd7 35.Qe4 f5 36.Qd3 e5 37.Ne2 Be6 38.Nc3 Kf6 39.Nb5 Qc6 40.Qd8+ 1-0 (40) Idabble (2860)-Yakamuzosan (2716) Blitz 2023;

C2) 11.h4 b5 12.Ndxb5 Ne5 13.Be2 Qa5 14.Nd4 Rfc8 15.Nb3 Qb4 16.Qd4 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 18.Qxa7 Rbc8 19.a3 Qb8 20.Qxb8 Rxb8 21.Bd4 Be6 22.Kb1 Rcc8 23.Nc1 h5 24.N1e2 Bc4 25.b3 Nd7 26.Bxg7 Kxg7 27.Nd4 Nc5

28.Ka1 e5 29.bxc4 exd4 30.Nb5 d3 31.cxd3 Ra8 32.Kb2 Na4+ 33.Kb3 Nc5+ 34.Kc3 Na4+ 35.Kd4 Rc6 36.Rb1 Rca6 37.Nc7 Nc5 38.Nxa8 Rxa8 39.Ra1 Nb3+ 40.Kc3 Nxa1 41.Rxa1 Rb8 42.a4 Kf6 43.a5 Ke5 44.g3 d5 45.d4+ Kd6 46.cxd5 Rc8+ 47.Kd3 Rb8 48.a6 Rb3+ 49.Ke2 Rb8 50.a7 Ra8 51.Ra6+ Kc7 52.Rf6 Kb7 53.Rxf7+ Kb6 54.Rf6+ Kxa7 55.Rxg6 Kb7 56.Rg5 Ra2+ 57.Ke3 Ra3+ 58.Kf4 Kc8 59.Rxh5 Kd7 60.Rf5 Ke7 61.Ke5 Ra4 62.d6+ Kd7 63.Rf7+ Ke8 64.Re7+ Kd8 65.d5 Ra5 66.Ke6 Ra3 67.Rd7+ Kc8 68.Rf7 Rxf3 69.Rxf3 Kd8 70.Rf8# 1-0 (70) Supertactic91 (2835)-Ocinitram (2708) Blitz 2022;

C3) 11.Bb3 Na5

C3a) 12.Bh6 b5 *(12...Bxh6 13.Qxh6 b5 14.Nd5 Nxb3+ 15.axb3 b4 16.Nxf6+ exf6 17.h4 Re8 18.g4 Re5 19.Nf5 Bxf5 20.gxf5 Qa5 21.h5 Qa1+ 22.Kd2 Qxb2 23.hxg6* 1-0 (23) Liem Chess (2822)-Anhao (2622) Blitz 2021*)* 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Nd5 Nxb3+ 15.Nxb3 Nxd5 16.exd5 b4 *(16...Qb6 17.g4 Rfc8 18.h4 h6 19.Rhe1 e5 20.dxe6 Bxe6 21.Qxd6 Kg8 22.Kb1 Qf2 23.Nd4 Rd8 24.Qf4 Bc4 25.Nc6 Rxd1+ 26.Rxd1 Rd8 27.Rxd8+* 1-0 (27) Anonymous64206D (2819)-Brian46 (2707) Blitz 2022*)* 17.h4 h5 18.Qd4+ f6 19.Rhe1 a5 20.Qe3 Rf7 21.Nd4 a4 22.Kb1 b3 23.cxb3 axb3 24.Nxb3 Bf5+ 25.Ka1 Rb5 26.Rd2 Qa8 27.Nd4 Rxd5 28.Nxf5+ Rxf5 29.Rc1 Ra5 30.a3 d5 31.Qe6 d4 32.Rxd4 Ra6 33.Qd5 Qb8 34.Rb4 Qg3 35.Rc2 Rd6 36.Qc5 e6 37.Ka2 Rfd7 38.Qc8 Rd1 39.Rb7 Rxb7 40.Qxb7+ Kh6 41.Qc8 Qxh4 42.Qxe6 Qd4 43.Rc4 Qd8 44.g4 Qd3 45.Qe4 Qxe4 46.Rxe4 h4 47.f4 f5 48.gxf5 gxf5 49.Re8 Kh5 50.Rg8 h3 51.a4 Kh4 52.Rh8+ Kg3 53.b4 h2 54.a5 h1Q 55.Rxh1 Rxh1 56.Kb3 Kxf4 57.b5 Ke5 58.b6 Kd6 59.Kb4 Kc6 60.Kc4 Rb1 61.Kd4 Rxb6 62.axb6 Kxb6 63.Ke5 Kc6 64.Kxf5 ½-½ (64) Anya6 (2853)-Luoxiaoke (2869) Blitz 2022;

C3b) 12.Kb1 b5 13.g4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Ka1 Qa5 16.Rb1 Rb6 17.h4 Ra6 18.a3 h5 19.gxh5 Nxh5 20.Rhg1 Kh7 21.Rg5 e5 22.Nf5 Bxf5 23.exf5 Rd8 24.fxg6+ fxg6 25.Rbg1 d5 26.Qg2 Rb8 27.Rxg6 Rb7 28.Qg5 Qxc3 29.Qxh5+ Kg8 30.Rxg7+ 1-0 (30) Speedrunner404 (2837)-Gmluke (2717) Blitz 2022;

C3c) 12.h4 b5 13.Kb1 *(13.h5 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Kb1 Qb6 16.Qc1 Qa5 17.Ka1 Rb7 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bh6 Rfb8 20.Bxg7 Rxb2 21.Bxf6 Qxc3 22.Nb5 Rb1+* 0-1 (22) Rosagasa (2855)-Nguyen,D (2639) Blitz 2021*)*

13...Nc4 *(13...b4 14.Nce2 e5 15.h5 exd4 16.Nxd4 Nxb3 17.Nxb3 Be6 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bh6 Bxh6 20.Rxh6 Bxb3 21.axb3 Qe7 22.g4 a5 23.g5 Nh5 24.Qd5+ Qf7 25.Qxa5 Qxf3 26.Qd5+ Qf7 27.Qd4 Rfd8 28.Qd3 Ra8 29.Rf1 Qa7 30.Qd5+ Kh8* 0-1 (30) Nozdrachev,V (2873)-Brian46 (2729) Blitz 2022*)* 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Ka1

C3c1) 15...e5 16.Nde2 Qa5 17.Bh6 Bxh6 18.Qxh6 Rb6 19.h5 Be6 20.g4 Rfb8 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.g5 Nh5 23.Rxh5 R8b7 24.Rb1 Ra6 25.Rhh1 Bf7 26.Qxh7+ Kf8 27.Qh8+ 1-0 (27) Sweetdream2900 (2911)-Yakamuzosan (2741) Blitz 2023;

C3c2) 15...Qb6 16.Rb1 h5 17.Nf5 Qa6 18.Nxg7 Rfc8 19.Nxh5 Nxh5 20.g4 Nf6 21.h5 gxh5 22.Bd4 e5 1-0 (22) Solitarylife (2858)-Frutek (2625) Blitz 2023;

C3c3) 15...h5 16.Bh6 Qb6 *(16...Bxh6 17.Qxh6 e5 18.Nf5 gxf5 19.Rxd6 Rb6 20.Rhd1 Rxd6 21.Rxd6 Ne8 22.Nd5 Qxh4 23.a3 Be6 24.g3 Qh1+ 25.Ka2 Bxd5 26.Qg5+ Ng7 27.exd5 Qxf3 28.Rd8 Rxd8 29.Qxd8+ Kh7 30.d6 Qd5 31.d7 c3+ 32.Kb1 Ne6 33.Qe7 Kg7 34.bxc3 Qd1+ 35.Kb2 f4 36.gxf4 exf4 37.c4 Qd4+ 38.c3 Qxc4 39.d8Q Nxd8 40.Qg5+ Kh7 41.Qxh5+ Kg8 42.Qg5+ Kh7 43.Qh5+ Kg7 44.Qg5+ Kh7 45.Qh5+ Kg7 46.Qg5+ Kh7* ½-½ (46) Donatella1954 (2815)-Takacsbl (2607) Blitz 2022*)* 17.b3 Rfc8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Nde2 Qa5 20.Rb1 Be6 21.Kb2 cxb3 22.axb3 Nd7 23.Ra1 Qc7 24.Qd4+ Kh7 25.Rxa7 Rb7 26.Rxb7 Qxb7 27.Ra1 Nc5 28.Ra3 Rb8 29.Nd5 Bxd5 30.Qxd5 Qxd5 31.exd5 Nd7 32.Ra7 1-0 (32) Dmitrij Im (2822)-Frutek (2622) Blitz 2021;

C3c4) 15...Rb6 16.h5 e5 17.h6 Bh8 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.Bxb6 Qxb6 20.exf5 Rb8 21.Na4 Qb5 22.Qxd6 Ne8 23.Qd7 Qa6 24.fxg6 hxg6 25.h7+ Kf8 26.c3 Rb5 27.Qc7 Nxc7 28.Rd8+ Ne8 0-1 (28) Sweetdream2900 (2915)-Yakamuzosan (2737) Blitz 2023;

D) 10...Na5

D1) 11.Bb3 b5 12.Kb1 *(12.Ncxb5 Nxb3+ 13.cxb3 a5 14.a4 e5 15.Nc2 d5 16.exd5 Bxb5 17.axb5 a4 18.b4 Qd7 19.b6 Rfc8 20.Kb1 e4 21.Na3 exf3 22.gxf3 Ne8 23.Bd4 Bf8 24.Rhe1 Nd6 25.Bc5 Rab8 26.Qf4 Nf5 27.d6 Bg7 28.Re2 Qc6 29.Qe4 Qd7 30.Qf4 h5 31.Rde1 Qc6 32.Qe4 Qd7 33.Qd5 Rd8 34.Nc4 Qb5 35.Ne5 Nxd6 36.Nc6 a3 37.b3 Nb7 38.Nxd8 a2+ 39.Rxa2 Rxd8 40.Qc4 Qd7 41.Rae2 Qf5+ 42.Qe4 Qf6 43.Qe5 Qc6 44.Qe4 Qf6 45.Qe5 Qc6*

46.Qe7 Ra8 47.Qe8+ Rxe8 48.Rxe8+ Kh7 49.R8e4 Qd7 50.Kc2 Qf5 51.R1e3 Nxc5 52.bxc5 Qxc5+ 53.Kd2 Qb5 54.b4 Qxb6 55.Kd3 Qc7 56.Kd2 Qd7+ 57.Ke2 Qc7 58.Re7 Qb7 59.Rxb7 1-0 (59) Sergoy45 (2818)-Norolex (2866) Blitz 2022*)*
12...Nxb3 13.axb3 a5 14.Ndxb5 a4 15.bxa4 Bxb5 16.Nxb5 Rxa4 17.Bd4 Qa8 18.Na3 Rxa3 19.bxa3 Qxa3 20.c3 Rb8+ 21.Kc2 Rb2+ 22.Kd3 Qa6+ 23.c4 Rxd2+ 24.Rxd2 Nd7 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Rc1 Ne5+ 27.Kd4 Qa3 28.c5 Qxc1 0-1 (28) Sergoy45 (2828)-Norolex (2856) Blitz 2022;

D2) 11.Be2 a6 12.h4 Nh5 13.Rhe1 Rb8 14.g4 Nf6 15.h5 b5 16.Nf5 b4 17.Nxg7 bxc3 18.Qxc3 Rc8 19.Qd2 Ba4 20.Bd3 Bxc2 21.Bxc2 Nc4 22.Qh2 Qa5 23.Kb1 Nxe3 24.Rxe3 Kxg7 25.Rh1 g5 26.e5 Nd5 27.Ra3 Qb4 28.Rb3 Qf4 29.Qxf4 Nxf4 30.h6+ Kg8 31.exd6 exd6 32.Rb6 d5 33.Rxa6 Rfe8 34.Rb6 Ng2 35.a4 Nh4 36.a5 Ra8 37.Rb5 Nxf3 38.Rxd5 Ne5 39.Rc1 f6 40.Bf5 Nf7 41.Bd7 Red8 42.Rc7 Ra6 43.b4 Kf8 44.Kb2 Nxh6 45.Kb3 Raa8 46.Bc6 Rxd5 47.Bxd5 Rd8 48.Bc4 Rd1 49.a6 Ra1 50.b5 Ng8 51.b6 Ne7 52.b7 Rb1+ 53.Kc2 Rb4 54.a7 Rxc4+ 55.Rxc4 Kf7 56.a8Q h5 57.b8Q Kg6 58.Qe8+ Kg7 59.Qxe7+ Kg6 60.Qg8+ Kh6 61.Qxf6# 1-0 (61) Nikitosikbot (2900)-Cheng (2550) Rapid 2023;

E) 10...Ne5 11.Be2 a6 *(11...Rb8 12.g4 b5 13.g5 Nh5 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Nde2 Qa5 17.Bd4 e5 18.fxe5 dxe5 19.Bxa7 Qxa7 20.Qxd7 Qb6 21.b3 Rfd8 22.Qa4 cxb3 23.axb3 Nf4 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Qc4 Qa5 26.Kb2 Ra8 27.Na4 Nxe2 28.Qxe2 Qb4 29.Ra1 Qd4+ 30.c3 Qd8 31.Nc5 Rxa1 32.Kxa1 Qxg5 33.b4 Qc1+ 34.Ka2 Qxc3 35.Qb2 Qc4+ 36.Qb3 Qe2+ 37.Ka3 Qb5 38.Qd3 Qb6 39.Qd5 Bf8 40.Kb3 Qf6 41.b5 Qf3+ 42.Ka4 Bxc5 43.Qxc5 Qxe4+ 44.Ka5 Qa8+ 45.Kb4 Qe4+ 46.Qc4 Qe1+ 47.Kc5 Qf2+ 48.Kc6 Qg2+ 49.Qd5 Qc2+ 50.Kd7 Qf5+ 51.Kc7 Qf4 52.Qc6 e4+ 53.Kc8 Qf5+ 54.Qd7 e3 55.Qxf5 gxf5 56.b6 e2 57.b7 e1Q 58.b8Q Qe6+ 59.Kc7+ Kg7 60.Qb2+ Qf6 61.Qg2+ Qg6 62.Qf3 f6 63.Qd5 Qg5 64.Kd6 Kg6 65.Qg8+ Kh6 66.Qf8+ Qg7 67.Qf7 Qg6 68.Ke7 Qxf7+ 69.Kxf7 f4 70.Ke6 f3 71.Kxf6 f2 72.Kf5 f1Q+ 73.Ke6 Qh3+ 74.Ke7 Qxh2 75.Ke8 Kg5 76.Ke7 h5 77.Ke8 h4 78.Ke7 Qg3 79.Kd7 h3 80.Ke8 h2 81.Kd7 Qf3 82.Ke8 h1Q 83.Kd7 Qhf1 84.Ke8 Q3e2+ 85.Kd7 Qfe1 86.Kc8 Q2d2* 0-1 (86) Lunaticx (2840)-Smurf42 (2640) Blitz 2017*)*
12.h4 h5 13.g4 hxg4 14.h5 Nxh5 15.f4 Nc6 16.f5 Ng3 17.Bxg4 Nxh1 18.Rxh1 Re8 19.Qh2 e6 20.Qh7+ Kf8 21.fxe6 Nxd4 22.Bh6 Qf6 23.exd7 Ne2+ 24.Bxe2 Bxh6+ 25.Qxh6+ Qg7 26.dxe8Q+ Rxe8 27.Qh4 g5 28.Qh3 f6 29.Kb1 Re5 30.Nd5

Rxe4 31.Bh5 g4 32.Qc3 Qh6 33.Qc8+ Kg7 34.Qd7+ Kh8 35.Nxf6 g3 36.Qf7 Rg4 37.Re1 Qc1+ 38.Rxc1 Rg7 39.Qe8+ Rg8 40.Qxg8# 1-0 (40) Arasanx (2885)-Pseudo (2451) Rapid 2023;

F) 10...Rc8

F1) 11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.Bb3 a5 13.a4 Qe8 14.Qe2 Nd7 15.h4 Nc5 16.Bxc5 dxc5 17.e5 *(17.h5 e6 18.Bc4 Qe7 19.f4 g5 20.h6 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Bxa4 22.Qe3 b5 23.Be2 c4 24.Kb2 b4 25.Ra1 Bc6 26.Rxa5 f6 27.Qa7 bxc3+ 28.Kxc3 Rc7 29.Qc5 gxf4 30.Bg4 Bxe4 31.Bxe6+ Kh8 32.Qxe7 Rxe7 33.Ra6 Bxg2 34.Rh4 Bb7 35.Rd6 f3 36.Rhd4 f5 37.Bxc4 f2 38.Kd2 Re4 39.Rd8 Rxd4+ 40.Rxd4 Be4 41.Ke2 Bxc2 42.Rd2 Be4 43.Rd4 Ba8 44.Kxf2 f4 45.Bb3 Bh1 46.Rb4 Bc6 47.Ba2 Ra8 48.Kf1 Rf8 49.Kf2 Bh1* ½-½ (49) AllieStein v0.8-120f959_net-1 (3536)-Ethereal (3470) tcec-chess.com INT 2020 *)* 17...e6 18.Bc4 Rd8 19.Bb5 Rd4 20.g3 Bxb5 21.axb5 a4 22.f4 a3 23.bxa3 Qa8 24.Kb2 Rfd8 25.Ne4 b6 26.Rxd4 Rxd4 27.Re1 Qa5 28.Nf6+ Bxf6 29.exf6 h5 30.Rd1 Rxd1 31.Qxd1 Qxb5+ 32.Kc1 Kh7 ½-½ (32) LCZero 0.31-dag-c93c6a8-BT4-6 (3652)-Stockfish dev-20250118-8e3e22 (3683) tcec-chess.com INT 2025;

F2) 11.Be2

F2a) 11...Ne5 12.Kb1 a6 13.h4 h5 14.Bh6 *(14.Bg5 Rc5 15.Nb3 Rc8 16.Rhe1 b5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 bxc4 19.Nd4 Bg4 20.Rc1 Qa5 21.e5 Rb8 22.Nc6 Qb6 23.Nxb8 Rxb8 24.b3 Bf5 25.Ka1 Ng4 26.Nd5 Qb7 27.Nxe7+ Kh7 28.Nxf5 gxf5 29.Qxd6 Rc8 30.Red1 Ne3 31.Re1 cxb3 32.Rxe3 b2+ 33.Kb1 bxc1Q+ 34.Kxc1 Qxg2 35.Qd3 Qg1+ 36.Kd2 Qg2+ 37.Re2 Qc6 38.Qxf5+ Kg8 39.Qd3 Bf8 40.Bf6 Bb4+ 41.Ke3 Bc5+ 42.Kd2 Bb4+ 43.c3 Bxc3+ 44.Ke3 Qc5+ 45.Kf3 Kf8 46.Rg2 Qc6+ 47.Qe4 Be1 48.Qxc6 Rxc6 49.Ke4 Ke8 50.Kf5 Re6 51.Re2 Bb4 52.Rc2 a5 53.Rc8+ Kd7 54.Rd8+ Kc6 55.Rd5 Kxd5* 0-1 (55) Anya6 (2869)-Xiaochess (2810) Blitz 2022 *)* 14...Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.g4 hxg4 18.h5 Rh8 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Ne6+ Bxe6 22.Qxd8 Rxd8 23.Rxd8 gxf3 24.Rd3 e4 25.Re3 Bf5 26.b3 Rd4 27.Nd1 g5 28.Ree1 g4 29.Ne3 e6 30.Rhg1 Kg6 31.Kc1 Kg5 32.Rd1 Rxd1+ 33.Kxd1 Kf4 34.Kd2 g3 35.c4 Ng4 36.Nxg4 Bxg4 0-1 (36) Anya6 (2871)-Xiaochess (2808) Blitz 2022;

F2b) 11...a6 12.h4 *(12.g4 b5 13.h4 b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.Kb1 Qa5 17.Nb3 Qc7 18.h5 Bb5 19.Bd4 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 a5 21.f4 a4 22.Nc1 Nxg4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Rd4 a3 25.Rxb4 axb2 26.Rxb2 Nf6 27.h6+ Kg8 28.Rd1 Rb8*

29.Nb3 Rb5 1-0 (29) Anya6 (2848)-Legend2611 (2611) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Nh5 13.Rhe1 Ng3 14.Nxc6 Rxc6 15.Nd5 e6 16.Nb4 Qf6 17.c3 Rcc8 18.Bg5 Qe5 19.Bd3 a5 20.Nc2 Qc5 21.Be3 Qc7 22.Qf2 d5 23.e5 Bxe5 24.f4 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Qxc3 26.Kb1 Ba4 27.Bd4 Qc6 28.Rc1 Ne4 29.Bxe4 dxe4 30.Ne3 Qb5+ 31.Bb2 h5 32.g4 Rc6 33.Ka1 Qb4 34.f5 Rb6 35.Nc4 Rc6 36.fxg6 e5 37.Qf5 Qc5 38.Nxe5 fxg6 39.Qg5 Bc2 40.Qh6 Rb6 41.Nd7 Rxb2 42.Qxg6+ Kh8 43.Nxc5 Bb3 44.Nxb3 Rbf2 45.Rc7 R2f7 46.Rxf7 Rxf7 47.Qxf7 b6 48.Rxe4 hxg4 49.Re8# 1-0 (49) Arasanx (2875)-Cheng (2607) Rapid 2024;

F3) 11.Bb3

F3a) 11...Ne5 12.Kb1

F3a1) 12...a6 13.h4 h5 *(13...b5 14.h5 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Nb3 Be6 18.Bh6 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Rxc3 20.bxc3 Qc7 21.Rd3 Bc4 22.Re3 a5 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qg5 e4 25.fxe4 a4 26.Nd4 Qb6 27.a3 e5 28.Qxe5 Ng4 29.Qg5 Nxe3 30.Qxe3 Qc5 31.Kb2 Re8 32.Qh3 Qc7 33.Qg4 Qe7 34.Re1 Qe5 35.Nf3 Qc5 36.e5 Be6 37.Qb4 Qd5 38.Nd4 Bd7 39.g3 Rxe5 40.Rf1 Re8 41.Rf4 Qe5 42.Nf3 Qe7 43.Qd4 Bc6 44.Nh4 Qe5 45.Qa7 Qe7 46.Qb6 Bd5 47.Nf3 Bxf3 48.Rxf3 Qe5 49.Rf4 Re7 50.Qd8+ Re8 51.Qd7 Qe7 52.Qxb5 Qc7 53.Qxe8+* 1-0 (53) Nozdrachev,V (2832)-Yakamuzosan (2711) Blitz 2023 *)* 14.g4 *(14.Bh6 b5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.g4 hxg4 17.h5 Rh8 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.f4 Nf3 20.Nxf3 gxf3 21.f5 Rc5 22.Qg5 Bxf5 23.exf5 Rxf5 24.Qe3 e5 25.Rhf1 Rh3 26.Be6 Ng4 27.Qa7+ Kh6 28.Bxf5 gxf5 29.Qxa6 Kg5 30.Rxd6 Qh8 31.Rg6+ Kf4 32.Qxb5 Rh1 33.Ne2+* 1-0 (33) Arm (2887)-Nevaljahka (2753) Blitz 2022*; 14.Bg5 Rc5 15.Rhe1 Re8 16.Bh6 b5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.f4 Neg4 19.f5 Qb6 20.fxg6 fxg6 21.Be6 Qb7 22.Nd5 Nxe4 23.Rxe4 Rxd5 24.Bxd5 Qxd5 25.Ree1 Nf6 26.Qc3 Qxg2 27.Rg1 Qh3 28.Rg3 Qxh4 29.Rdg1 Bg4 30.Ne6+ Bxe6 31.Rxg6+ Kf8 32.Qe3 Rd8 33.Qxe6 Qg4 34.Rxf6+ exf6 35.Qxf6+ Ke8 36.Rxg4 hxg4 37.Qe6+ Kf8 38.Qxg4 Re8 39.b3 Re5 40.Kb2 Ke7 41.Qc8 Re6 42.Qxa6 Kf6 43.Qxb5 Re5 44.a4 Ke6 45.Qxe5+ Kxe5 46.a5 Kd5 47.b4 Kc4 48.a6 Kb5 49.a7 Kxb4 50.a8Q Kc4 51.Qh8 d5 52.Qh7 d4 53.Qh6 Kc5 54.Qd2 d3 55.Qxd3 Kb4 56.c4 Kc5 57.Qd5+ Kb4*

58.Qb5# 1-0 (58) Silence404 (2854)-Fey530 (2669) Blitz 2024*)* 14...hxg4 15.h5 Nxh5

F3a11) 16.Nd5 Re8 *(16...Rc5 17.Bg5 Rxd5 18.Bxd5 Qb6 19.c3 e6 20.fxg4 Nxg4 21.Bb3 Ngf6 22.Qg2 Re8 23.Rdg1 Kf8 24.Ka1 Qc5 25.Bd1 Qe5 26.Rh4 Nh7 27.Be3 Bf6 28.Rh3 Ke7 29.Qh1 Bg5 30.Nf3 Qxe4 31.Nxg5 Qxh1 32.Rhxh1 N7f6 33.c4 Rc8 34.b3 e5 35.Re1 Ng3 36.Rh2 Nge4 37.Bf3 Bc6 38.Bxe4 Bxe4 39.Bb6 Rc6 40.Ba7 Bf5 41.c5 Ng4 42.Rh7 Kf6 43.Nxf7 Rc7 44.Ng5 Rxh7 45.Nxh7+ Kg7 46.Ng5 d5 47.Bb6 d4 48.Bc7 Kf6 49.Bd8+ Kg7 50.Nf3 d3 51.Bg5 e4 52.Nd2 Ne5 53.Kb2 Nf7 54.Bf4 g5 55.Bg3 e3 56.Rxe3 Nd8 57.Kc3 Ne6 58.Bd6 Kg6 59.Nc4 Nf4 60.Kd2 Ne6 61.Ne5+ Kf6 62.Nxd3 g4 63.Re1 a5 64.Kc3 Kg6 65.Kc4 Kf6 66.Re3 Ng7 67.Kb5 Bd7+ 68.Kb6 Nf5 69.Re1 g3 70.Kxb7 Kg5 71.Bxg3 Nxg3 72.c6 Bxc6+ 73.Kxc6 Nf5 74.Re5 Kf6 75.Rxf5+ Kxf5 76.a3 Ke4 77.a4 Kxd3 78.Kb5 Ke4 79.Kxa5 Kd4 80.Kb6 Kc3 81.a5 Kxb3 82.a6 Kb4 83.a7 Kc4 84.a8Q Kd4 85.Qf3 Ke5 86.Kc5 Ke6 87.Qf4 Ke7 88.Qf5 Kd8 89.Qf7 Kc8 90.Kc6 Kd8 91.Qd7#* 1-0 (91) Blundar (2813)-Frozenightengine (2628) Rapid 2023*)* 17.Bg5 Rc5 18.fxg4 Bxg4 19.Rdg1 Qd7 20.Qf2 Rxd5 21.Bxd5 Rc8 22.Bb3 b5 23.Rh4 Nf6 24.Qf4 Nh5 25.Qd2 Rc5 26.c3 a5 27.a3 b4 28.cxb4 axb4 29.Qxb4 Rc8 30.Ka2 Nf6 31.Qe1 Rb8 32.Qe3 Ne8 33.Bh6 Bf6 34.Rh2 Nc7 35.Bf4 Be6 36.Nxe6 Nxe6 37.Bxe5 Bxe5 38.Rf2 Bd4 39.Qxd4 Nxd4 40.Rxg6+ Kh7 41.Rg3 Nf3 42.Bxf7 Rb4 43.Rfxf3 Rxe4 44.Bg6+ Kh8 45.Bxe4 Qe6+ 46.b3 Qxe4 47.Rf2 Qh4 48.Rfg2 e5 49.Rg8+ Kh7 50.R2g7+ Kh6 51.Rh8+ Kxg7 52.Rxh4 d5 53.Rd4 e4 54.Rxd5 Kf6 55.b4 Ke6 56.Rd1 e3 57.b5 Ke5 58.b6 Ke4 59.b7 e2 60.Re1 Kf5 61.Rxe2 Kg6 62.b8Q Kf5 63.Qf8+ Kg4 64.Rg2+ Kh3 65.Qf3+ Kh4 66.Qg4# 1-0 (66) Leelamultiposs (2932)-Frozenightengine (2621) Blitz 2023;

F3a12) 16.Bh6 e6 *(16...Rc5 17.Rdg1 Qa5 18.fxg4 Nxg4 19.Bxg7*

Kxg7 20.Nf5+ Bxf5 21.exf5 Ngf6 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.Qg2 g5 24.Ne4 Nxe4 25.Qxe4 Re5 26.Rxg5+ Rxg5 27.Qxe7+ Kg6 28.Qxf8 Qe5 29.Bf7+ Kh7 30.Rxh5+ Rxh5 31.Qg8+ Kh6 32.Qg6# 1-0 (32) Timetrave1 (2823)-Notkevich (2739) Blitz 2023*; 16...Kh7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Nf5+ Bxf5 19.exf5 Nxf3 20.Qg2 Rxc3 21.bxc3 Nf6 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.Qe2 e5 24.Qe3 Nh5 25.Qe4 Qd7 26.Qb4 Rf6 27.Qc4 Kh6 28.Qg8 Qe7 29.Qh8+ Kg5 30.Qb8 Rf8 31.Qa7 Ng3 32.Qe3+ Rf4 33.Rh8 Nf5 34.Qb6 e4 35.Rg8 e3 36.Qa5 e2 37.Rc1 e1Q 38.Rxe1 Nxe1 39.Kb2 Nd3+ 40.cxd3 d5 41.Qxd5 Rf2+ 42.Bc2 Qe2 43.Qb3 Ne3 44.Rxg6+ Kxg6 45.Qe6+ Kg5 46.Qe5+ Kh4 47.Qh8+ Kg3 48.Qe5+ Kg2 49.Qe4+ Kg1 50.Ka3 Qxc2 51.Qxe3 Qxa2+ 52.Kb4 Qb2+ 53.Kc5 Qe2 54.Kd6 Qxe3 55.d4 Qd3 56.d5 Qxc3 57.Kd7 Qd3 58.Kd8 Rd2 59.d6 Qd5 60.Kc8 Qxd6 61.Kxb7 Qd8 62.Ka7 Rb2* 0-1 (62) Interestingidea (2809)-Francechamp (2616) Blitz 2022*)* 17.Rdg1 Rxc3 *(17...Qf6 18.fxg4 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Qg7 20.Qe3 Nf6 21.g5 Nh5 22.Nf3 Nxf3 23.Qxf3 Rc6 24.Ne2 e5 25.Ng3 Nf4 26.Rh6 Be6 27.Rgh1 Bxb3 28.axb3 Rfc8 29.R1h2 a5 30.Qh1 Kf8 31.Rh7 Qxh7 32.Rxh7 Rxc2 33.Qh6+ Ke8 34.Qg7 Rc1+ 35.Ka2 R8c7 36.Qg8+ Kd7 37.Qxf7+ Kc6 38.Qxc7+ Kb5 39.Qxc1 Nd3 40.Rxb7+ Ka6 41.Qc6#* 1-0 (41) Konstantin Tarlev (2821)-Niper13 (2662) Blitz 2022 *)* 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qxc3 Qf6 20.fxg4 Rc8 21.Qh3 *(21.Qd2 Qf4 22.Qe1 Nf6 23.g5 Nxe4 24.Rh4 Nd2+ 25.Ka1 Nxb3+ 26.axb3 Nf3 27.Rxf4 Nxe1 28.Rxe1 e5 29.Rf2 exd4 30.Rd1 Bf5 31.Rxd4 Bxc2 32.Ka2 Rc5 33.b4 Rc6 34.b3 Bf5 35.Kb2 Be6 36.Rh4 Rb6 37.Rfh2 Rb5 38.Rg2 d5 39.Rd4 a5 40.bxa5 Rxa5 41.Rc2 Rb5 42.Rcd2 Rb6 43.Re2 Rb5 44.Rh2 Kf8 45.Rd3 Ke7 46.Rc3 Kd6 47.Rd3 Ke5 48.Re2+ Kf4 49.Rg2 Bf5 50.Rdd2 Be4 51.Rgf2+ Ke5 52.Rfe2 Kf5 53.Re3 Kxg5 54.Rg3+ Kf4 55.Rg1 Ke5 56.Rf1 f5 57.Re2 g5 58.Rh2 g4*

59.Rh8 d4 60.Re8+ Kf6 61.Rd8 Kg5 62.Re8 Re5 63.Rxe5 Kf6 64.Rxe4 d3 65.Rd4 1-0 (65) Sweetdream2900 (2897)-Yakamuzosan (2755) Blitz 2023*)* 21...Nf4 22.Qh6+ Kg8 23.Rf1 Nc4 24.Rxf4 Qxd4 25.Qh7+ 1-0 (25) Sweetdream2900 (2904)-Yakamuzosan (2748) Blitz 2023;

F3a13) 16.Rdg1 Qa5 *(16...g3 17.Bh6 e6 18.Rxh5 gxh5 19.Rxg3 Ng6 20.Nf5 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Qf6 22.Bg7 Qxg7 23.Nxg7 Kxg7 24.Qxd6 Bc6 25.Qe5+ Kh6 26.Qg5+ Kg7 27.Qe5+ Kh6 28.Qf6 Bd7 29.f4 Rc6 30.Rh3 h4 31.Rxh4#* 1-0 (31) Liem Chess (2895)-Sjakk98765 (2610) Blitz 2020 *)* 17.Bh6 Bf6 18.fxg4 Bxg4 19.Bg5 *(19.Bf4 Bg7 20.Bxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxg4 Qxd4 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxg6+ Ng7 24.Ne2 Be5 25.Ng3 Rfe8 26.Rgh6 Ne6 27.Nf5 Nc5 28.Rg1+ Kf8 29.Rh7 e6 30.Nh6 Ke7 31.Nxf7 Bd4 32.Rg4 Rf8 33.Rf4 Rce8 34.c3 Bg1 35.Bd1 d5 36.exd5 exd5 37.Bg4 Ne4 38.Rf5 Be3 39.a4 Nf2 40.Ne5+ Kd6 41.Rd7+ Kc5 42.Rxf8 Rxf8 43.Be6 Ne4 44.Rxd5+ Kb6 45.Nd7+ Kc6 46.Nxf8 Nc5 47.Bf7 Nxa4 48.Rd3 Bc5 49.Be8+ Kb6 50.Ne6 Nxc3+ 51.bxc3 Bf2 52.Bg6 Ka7 53.Be4 a5 54.Rd7 Kb8 55.Rxb7+ Kc8 56.Bc6 Be3 57.Nc7 a4 58.Nd5 Bg5 59.Rc7+ Kb8 60.Rd7 a3 61.Nb6 a2+ 62.Kxa2 Be3 63.Rb7#* 1-0 (63) Arasanx (2840)-Aks Mantissa (2608) Rapid 2023 *)* 19...Nc4 20.Bxc4 Bxg5 21.Qg2 Nf6 22.Be2 Bd7 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.Qh2 Kg7 25.Qh7+ Kf6 26.exd5 Qa4 27.c4 e5 28.dxe6 Bc6 29.Rf1+ Ke5 30.Qh2+ Ke4 31.Bf3+ Kd3 32.Qxd6 Bd5 33.Qxd5 Qxa2+ 34.Kxa2 Bf6 35.Nb3+ Bd4 36.Qxd4+ Kc2 37.Bd1# 1-0 (37) Solistabot (2958)-Aks Mantissa (2629) Blitz 2024;

F3a2) 12...Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 *(13...Rc5)* 14.g4

F3a21) 14...Qc7 15.g5 Nh5 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Ne2 *(17.c3 b5 18.Nb4 a5 19.Nd3 b4 20.Ne2 bxc3 21.Nxc3 Be6 22.Rc1 Qb8 23.Ka1 a4 24.a3 Rfc8 25.Nb1 Qb3 26.Rxc4 Bxc4 27.Nc1 Qb5 28.Bd4 Bxd4 29.Qxd4 Nf4 30.h4 Ne6 31.Qd1 Rb8 32.Rh2 Nc5 33.Nc3 Qa5 34.h5 Ne6 35.hxg6 fxg6*

36.Qh1 Nf8 37.f4 Be6 38.N1e2 Qb6 39.Ng3 Rc8 40.f5 Bf7 41.fxg6 Bxg6 42.Nd5 Qb7 43.Nf5 Bxf5 44.exf5 Qd7 45.f6 Re8 46.Nxe7+ Rxe7 47.fxe7 Qxe7 48.Qd5+ Qf7 49.Qxf7+ Kxf7 50.Rh4 Kg6 51.Rxa4 Kxg5 52.Rb4 h5 53.a4 Nd7 54.a5 Nc5 55.Ka2 h4 56.Rc4 h3 57.Rc2 Kg4 58.b4 Na6 59.Ka3 Kg3 60.b5 Nc5 61.a6 h2 62.Rxh2 1-0 (62) Poison006 (2872)-Tigerlilov (2690) Blitz 2024 *)*

F3a211) 17...Bc6 18.Bxa7 Bxd5 19.Qxd5 Ra4 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Rxd4 Ra5 22.Qxb7 Rxg5 23.Nc3 Rc5 24.Nd5 *(24.Rhd1 Re8 25.a4 Ng7 26.Nd5 Ne6 27.Rb4 Kf8 28.b3 Kg8 29.f4 Nc7 30.Nb6 Ne6 31.e5 Rc7 32.Qe4 Rc5 33.Nd5 Nc7 34.Nxc7 Rxc7 35.Rc4 Rd7 36.Rcd4 Qb8 37.Qd3 Rc7 38.exd6 exd6 39.Rxd6 Qa7 40.Qd4 Qa5 41.Rd2 Rce7 42.Qf6 Qc7 43.Kb2 Qc5 44.Rd8 Re4 45.R2d7 Qf8 46.Rxe8 Rxe8 47.a5 Rc8 48.Qd4 Ra8 49.a6 Re8 50.a7 h6 51.b4 g5 52.fxg5 Kh7 53.b5 hxg5 54.b6 Ra8 55.Qd5 Qb4+ 56.Qb3 Qxb3+ 57.Kxb3 g4 58.Rxf7+ Kg6 59.Rb7 g3 60.hxg3 Re8 61.Rb8 Re3+ 62.c3 Re5 63.a8Q Re6 64.Qf3 Rf6 65.Qg4+ Kh7 66.Qh5+ Kg7 67.Rb7+ Kg8 68.Qh7+ Kf8 69.Rb8#* 1-0 (69) Mayhempi Cluster (2832)-Pseudo (2440) Rapid 2023*)* 24...Re8 25.Rhd1 Kg7 26.a4 Rc8 27.Qb4 Rb8 28.Qc3 e5 29.Rb4 Rc8 30.Rc4 Rxc4 31.Qxc4 Qh4 32.Qe2 Ra8 33.b3 Rd8 34.a5 Nf4 35.Nxf4 Qxf4 36.a6 Qf6 37.Rd5 Ra8 38.Kb2 Rd8 39.Qe3 Qe7 40.Qb6 Rd7 41.b4 Rd8 42.b5 f5 43.Qc6 fxe4 44.fxe4 Qh4 45.Rxd6 Rh8 46.b6 Qe1 47.Qb5 Rf8 48.b7 Rf1 49.Qd7+ Kh6 50.Qh3+ Kg5 51.Qg3+ Qxg3 52.hxg3 Kg4 53.a7 Rf3 54.b8Q Kh3 55.Rd2 g5 56.a8Q Rf6 57.Qa1 h5 58.Qg1 Rf2 59.Qxf2 h4 60.Qc8+ g4 61.Qh2# 1-0 (61) C0Llisi0N (2892)-Pseudo (2202) Rapid 2021;

F3a212) 17...Ra4 18.b3 Ra6 19.Ng3 Be6 20.Nxh5 gxh5 21.Nb4 Ra5 22.f4 Qc7 23.Bd4 Bxd4 24.Qxd4 Rc8 *(24...Bg4 25.Rd2 Qc5 26.Nd5 Re8 27.Qxc5 dxc5 28.f5 Kg7 29.h3 Bf3 30.Re1 Rd8 31.Rf2 Bxe4 32.Nxe7 Bc6 33.f6+ Kf8 34.Nxc6 bxc6 35.c4 Ra6 36.Re7 Re8 37.Rxe8+ Kxe8 38.Re2+ Kf8 39.Re7 h4 40.Rc7 Ke8 41.a4 Rb6 42.Re7+ Kf8 43.Rxa7 Rxb3+ 44.Kc2 Rb8 45.a5 h6 46.a6 Kg8 47.g6 fxg6 48.Rb7 Ra8 49.a7 Rxa7 50.Rxa7 Kf8 51.Kd3 Ke8 52.Ke4 Kf8 53.Ke5 g5 54.Ke6 Kg8 55.f7+ Kg7 56.Ra8 Kh7 57.f8Q h5 58.Kf5 g4 59.Ra7#* 1-0 (59) Arasanx (2853)-Pseudo (2373) Rapid 2023 *)* 25.f5 Bd7 26.Rd2 Qc5 27.Nd5 Qxd4 28.Rxd4 Kf8 29.f6 e6 30.Ne7 Rd8 31.Rhd1 Ke8 32.Rxd6 Rc5 33.h4 Rc3 34.Kb2 *(34.a4 Rc7 35.a5 Rc5 36.Ng8 Rc6 37.R6d3 Rc7 38.Nh6 Kf8 39.c4 Ke8 40.Rd6 Kf8 41.Kb2 Ke8 42.Kc3 Kf8 43.R1d3 Ke8 44.Kd2 a6 45.Ke3 Kf8 46.Rd1 Ke8 47.R1d4 Kf8 48.Rd3 Ke8 49.b4 Kf8 50.b5 axb5 51.cxb5 b6 52.a6 Ke8 53.Rxb6 Rdc8 54.Rb7 Bxb5 55.Rxb5 Ra8 56.Rb7 Rac8 57.Rdb3 e5 58.Rxc7 Rxc7 59.Rb8+ Kd7 60.Rb7 Rxb7 61.axb7 Kc7 62.Nxf7 Kxb7 63.Nxe5 h6 64.gxh6 Kb6 65.f7 Kb7 66.f8Q Kc7 67.h7 Kb7 68.Qc5 Kb8 69.h8Q+ Kb7 70.Qhc8#* 1-0 (70) Mayhempi Cluster (2822)-Pseudo (2443) Rapid 2023*)* 34...Rc5 35.c4 b6 36.a4 Rc7 37.b4 Rxc4 38.b5 Rc7 39.Nc6 Rdc8 40.Ne5 Rd8 41.Kb3 Rb7 42.Kb4 Rc7 43.a5 Rb7 44.axb6 axb6 45.R1d3 Ra7 46.Rxb6 Rda8 47.Rxd7 Rxd7 48.Nxd7 Kxd7 49.Rb7+ Kd6 50.Rxf7 Ra1 51.Rxh7 Rb1+ 52.Ka5 Ra1+ 53.Kb6 Ke5 54.f7 Rf1 55.g6 Rf4 56.Rh8 Kxe4 57.f8Q e5 58.g7 Rxf8 59.gxf8Q Ke3 60.Qa3+ Ke2 61.Rc8 Kd2 62.Qb3 e4 63.Rc2+ Kd1 64.Qb1# 1-0 (64) Aquaflame

(2900)-Pseudo (2433) Rapid 2024;

F3a22) 14...b5

F3a221) 15.b3

F3a2211) 15...Rc8

16.Ncxb5 *(16.Ndxb5 a6 17.Nd4 Qc7 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 Qb7 20.h4 Qxd5 21.Bh6 Qe5 22.Rhe1 Qf6 23.Bxg7 Qxg7 24.Rxe7 Rfd8 25.c3 d5 26.Kb2 Qf6 27.Qg5 Qd6 28.Qe5 Qc5 29.Rc1 Re8 30.Rxe8+ Rxe8 31.Qf4 Qe7 32.h5 Qe3 33.Qxe3 Rxe3 34.h6 f5 35.gxf5 gxf5 36.Rg1+ Kf8 37.Rg7 Re7 38.Rg1 f4 39.Kc2 Re3 40.Kd2 Re5 41.a4 Rh5 42.Rg7 Be8 43.Rxh7 Bg6 44.Ne6+ Ke8 45.Rh8+ Ke7 46.Nxf4 Rh2+ 47.Ke3 Bf5 48.Nxd5+ Kd6 49.Nf4 Rb2 50.h7 Rxb3 51.Rd8+* 1-0 (51) Interestingidea (2827)-Lalitsahu (2604) Blitz 2022*)*

16...Bxb5 17.Nxb5 Qd7 18.Nd4 e5 19.Ne2 d5 20.exd5 e4 21.g5 exf3 22.gxf6 fxe2 23.Qxe2 Bxf6 24.Bd4 Rfe8 25.Qf2 Bxd4 26.Rxd4 a5 27.d6 a4 28.Re1 axb3 29.axb3 Rf8 30.Re7 Qb5 31.d7 Rcd8 32.Rf4 Qd5 33.Qd4 Qh1+ 34.Kb2 Ra8 35.Kc3 Qa1+ 36.Kd2 Qa5+ 37.b4 Qg5 38.h4 Qg2+ 39.Rf2 Qc6 40.Rfxf7 Qg2+ 41.Kc3 Qg3+ 42.Kd2 Qg2+ 43.Re2 Qxe2+ 44.Kxe2 Kxf7 45.c4 Ke7 46.c5 Rf6 47.b5 Ra2+ 48.Ke3 Ra3+ 49.Ke4 Re6+ 50.Kd5 Kxd7 51.Qg7+ Re7 52.c6+ Ke8 53.Qg8# 1-0 (53) Nozdrachev,V (2842)-Daubon (2779) Blitz 2022;

F3a2212) 15...b4

16.bxc4 bxc3 17.Qxc3 Qc7 18.Ka1 *(18.g5 Rb8+ 19.Ka1 Ne8 20.Rb1 Rc8 21.Rb4 d5 22.exd5 Nd6 23.Rhb1 Nxc4 24.Rxc4 Qxc4 25.Qxc4 Rxc4 26.Rb8+ Bc8 27.Kb1 Be5 28.Ra8 Kg7 29.Nc6 Bb7 30.Rxa7 Bxc6 31.dxc6 Bd6 32.Ra6 Bxh2 33.c3*

Be5 34.Kc2 Rxc3+ 35.Kd2 Rc4 36.Kd3 Rb4 37.Bc5 Rf4 38.Bxe7 Rxf3+ 39.Ke4 Rf5 40.Ra5 Rf4+ 41.Kxe5 Rf5+ 42.Kd6 Rxa5 43.c7 Ra6+ 44.Kd7 Ra7 45.Bf6+ Kf8 46.Kd8

1-0 (46) Charles Ingalls (2825)-Lavoielactee (2645) Blitz 2022*; 18.h4 h5 19.g5 Rb8+ 20.Kc1 Ne8 21.Kd2 Rc8 22.Rb1 d5 23.Ke2 dxe4 24.fxe4 Nd6 25.Qd3 Bg4+ 26.Nf3 Qxc4 27.Qxc4 Rxc4 28.Rhf1 Rxc2+ 29.Bd2 Rxa2 30.Rb4 Bc3 31.Rb8+ Kg7 32.Kd3 Bxd2 33.Nxd2 Nxe4 34.Kxe4 Rxd2 35.Ra8 Rd7 36.Rb1 Bf5+* 0-1 (36) Arthurphilipdent (2814)-Mikasinski (2712) Blitz 2021*)* 18...Rc8 *(18...Be6 19.Rb1 Bxc4 20.Rb4 Rc8 21.Rhb1 h5 22.Rb7 Qc5 23.g5 Nh7 24.Rb8 Be6 25.Rxc8+ Bxc8 26.Qxc5 dxc5 27.Rb8 cxd4 28.Rxc8+ Nf8 29.Bd2 d3+ 30.c3 Kh7 31.Rd8 Ne6 32.Rxd3 Be5 33.h3 Kg7 34.Rd7 Kf8 35.Rxa7 Ke8 36.Kb2 Bf4 37.Kc2 Bxg5 38.a4 Bxd2 39.Kxd2 Ng5 40.Ke3 Nxh3 41.a5 Kd8 42.a6*

1-0 (42) Liem Chess (2824)-Theredking89 (2662) Blitz 2020*)* 19.Rb1 *(19.Rd3 d5 20.g5 Ne8 21.exd5 Bf5 22.Rb1 Nd6 23.Rb4 a5 24.Ra4 Qd7 25.Qxa5 Nxc4 26.Rxc4 Rxc4 27.Rb3 Qc8 28.c3 Bxd4 29.Bxd4 Rxd4 30.Kb2 Rd2+ 31.Ka3 Kg7 32.h4 Qc4 33.Qb5 Qxh4 34.c4 Qxg5 35.Rc3 Qg2 36.Qb3 h5 37.c5 h4 38.Rc4 Rd3 39.Rc3 Qd2* 0-1 (39) Durarbayli (2827)-Eddyteacheschess (2780) Rapid 2021*)* 19...Be8 20.Rb2 d5 21.g5 Nd7 22.exd5 Nb6 23.Rhb1 Nxd5 24.Qd3 Nxe3 25.Qxe3 Qxc4 26.Rd1 e5 27.Ne2 e4 28.c3 exf3 29.Qxf3 Bc6 30.Qd3 Qc5 31.Nd4 Ba4 32.Rdd2 Qxg5 33.a3 h5 34.h3

Qa5 35.Rb4 Bd7 36.Kb2 Qc7 37.Rf2 a5 38.Rb3 Ba4 39.Nb5 Qc5 40.Re2 Bxb3 41.Kxb3 Rb8 42.a4 Rc8 43.Re4 Kh7 44.h4 Qg1 45.Re2 Rc5 46.Rb2 Qh1 47.Ka2 Qxh4 48.Ka3 Rc4 49.Qc2 Qf4 50.Qb3 h4 51.Rc2 h3 52.Kb2 Re4 53.Na3 h2 54.Qd5 h1Q 55.Qd3 Re1 56.Kb3 Ra1 57.Rb2 Rc1 58.Qc2 Qb7+ 59.Ka2 Rxc2 60.Rxc2 Qd6 61.Rb2 Qe6+ 62.c4 Qbd5 63.cxd5 Qe2 0-1 (63) Silence404 (2844)-Chess Ark (2672) Blitz 2024;

F3a222) 15.Ndxb5 Qa5 16.Nd4 Rb8 17.Nb3 Qc7 18.g5 Nh5 19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Bxa7 Rb7 21.Bd4 Rxb3 22.Bxg7 Rxf3 23.Bc3 Rxe4 24.Rhe1 Rxe1 25.Rxe1 e5 26.Ne3 Qxg5 27.Qxd6 Rxe3 28.Rxe3 Qxe3 29.Qxd7 Qg1+ 0-1 (29) Fantasylife (2838)-Resiliente99 (2859) Blitz 2022;

F3a223) 15.Nb3 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.Qxd5 Be6 18.Qa5 Rxc2 0-1 (18) Daneshvar,B (2865)-Sicilian Drakon (3143) Blitz 2022;

F3a23) 14...Qb8 15.h4 b5 16.h5 Rfc8 *(16...b4 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Rfc8 19.b3 Bxd4 20.Bxd4* 1-0 (20) Anya6 (2820)-Quick Mate (2700) Blitz 2022*)* 17.hxg6 fxg6 18.g5 Nh5 19.Nd5 Re8 20.b3 Rcc8 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.Qh2 Rf8 1-0 (22) Virtualspace (2864)-Econpower (2655) Blitz 2023;

F3a24) 14...Re8 15.h4 *(15.Nb3 Be6 16.Bd4 Qc8 17.g5 Nh5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.f4 b5 20.Nd4 b4 21.Nce2 Bg4 22.f5 Qb7 23.Qd3 Rec8 24.Rhe1 Bxe2 25.Qxe2 Qb6 26.Qf2 Kg8 27.Rf1 Rf8 28.Rd3 Nf4 29.Qxf4 Rxd4 30.f6 Rxd3 31.fxe7 Rd1+ 32.Rxd1 Re8 33.e5 dxe5 34.Qf6 e4 35.Qxb6 axb6 36.Rd8 e3 37.Rxe8+* 1-0 (37) Ice2Breaker (2843)-Arm Fighter (2646) Blitz 2021*)* 15...b5 16.h5 b4 17.Nd5 e6 18.Nxf6+ Qxf6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Qh2 Rec8 21.Qxd6 Be8 22.g5 Qd8 23.Qxd8 Rxd8 24.Ne2 Rdc8 25.Rd2 a5 26.Bd4 a4 27.Bxg7 Kxg7 28.Nf4 b3 29.axb3 axb3 30.cxb3 R4c6 31.Rdh2 Kf8 32.Nd3 Rd8 33.Ne5 Rc5 34.f4 Rd4 35.Re1 Rb5 36.Rh3 Rbb4

37.Rhe3 Bb5 38.Kc2 Ke7 39.Kc3 Be8 40.Nc4 Rdxc4+ 41.bxc4 Rb7 42.Ra1 Bc6 43.Ra6 Kd6 44.Rd3+ Kc7 45.e5 Be4 46.Rd4 Bf5 47.b4 1-0 (47) Brandonclarke (2911)-Szakarp6 (2407) Rapid 2021;

F3a3) 12...b5 13.Ndxb5 a6 14.Na3 *(14.Nd4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.b3 Qb8 17.Nde2 Rfc8 18.Bd4 a5 19.Rc1 a4 20.Ka1 R4c7 21.g4 Qb4 22.Rhd1 e5 23.Nxa4 Qxd2 24.Rxd2 Bxa4 25.Bb2 Bb5 26.c4 Bh6 27.Rxd6 Ne8 28.Rdd1 Bxc1 29.Nxc1 Rd7 30.Rxd7 Bxd7 31.Bxe5 f6 32.Bd4 Kf7 33.Kb2 Nc7 34.Nd3 h5 35.gxh5 g5 36.a4 Rh8 37.Bf2 Rxh5 38.Bg3 Na6 39.Kc3 f5 40.Ne5+ Ke7 41.exf5 Bxf5 42.b4 Ke6 43.a5 Rh7 44.Nc6 Kd7 45.Nd4 Be6 46.c5 Bd5 47.c6+ Bxc6 48.b5 Bxb5 49.Nxb5 Kc6 50.Kc4 Rb7 51.Nd4+ Kd7 52.f4 gxf4 53.Bxf4 Rb1 54.h4 Ra1 55.Kb5 Nc7+ 56.Bxc7 Kxc7 57.Ne6+ Kd6 58.Nd4 Rh1 59.Kb6 Rb1+ 60.Nb5+ Kd7 61.a6 Kc8 62.a7 Ra1 63.h5 Kd7 64.h6 Ke7 65.h7* 1-0 (65) Liem Chess (2888)-Littlepeasant (2680) Blitz 2020 *)* 14...Be6 15.h4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.Bh6 Be6 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.h5 Qa5 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Ne2 Qe5 22.Qd4 Rb8 23.Qxe5 dxe5 24.Nc1 Rfc8 25.Nd3 Rc3 26.Ka1 Rxa3 27.bxa3 Rb5 28.Rb1 Ra5 29.Rb6 Kf7 30.Kb2 h5 31.Nb4 Bc4 32.Rd1 h4 33.Rb7 Rc5 34.Rd8 a5 35.Nd3 Bxd3 36.cxd3 g5 37.d4 exd4 38.Rxd4 g4 39.fxg4 Rg5 40.Kc3 Rxg4 41.Rb2 Rg3+ 42.Rd3 Nxe4+ 43.Kd4 Nd6 44.Rxg3 hxg3 45.Rb3 Ke6 46.Rf3 Kd7 47.Kd5 e6+ 48.Ke5 Nc4+ 49.Kd4 Nd6 50.Kd3 e5 51.Rxg3 e4+ 52.Ke2 Ke6 53.Rb3 Kd5 54.Rb6 1-0 (54) Lsgeneraal (2904)-Wuzhaobing (2755) Blitz 2022;

F3a4) 12...a5 13.a4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.b3 Rc8 16.Ndb5 Re8 17.g4 Be6 18.h4 h5 19.gxh5 Nxh5 20.Bd4 Be5 21.Rhg1 Bxd4 22.Nxd4 Bd7 23.Kb2 Rc5 24.Rg5 e5 25.Ndb5 Bxb5 26.Nxb5 d5 27.exd5 e4 28.fxe4 Rxe4 29.d6 Qf6+ 30.Kb1 Rc8 31.d7 Rd8 32.Rc5 Re7 33.Rc8 Rexd7 34.Qxd7 Rxc8 35.Qxc8+ 1-0 (35) Interestingidea (2821)-Yakamuzosan (2758) Blitz 2023;

F3a5) 12...Re8 13.h3 *(13.g4 b5 14.h4 b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 a5 17.Bh6 a4 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.h5 Rh8 20.h6+ Kf8 21.Rhe1 axb3 22.cxb3 Qa5 23.Qg5 Ra8 24.f4 Qxa2+ 25.Kc2 Rc8+ 26.Nc6 Nxc6 27.dxc6*

Rxc6+ 28.Kd2 Qxb2+ 29.Ke3 Rc3+ 30.Rd3 Rxd3+ 31.Kxd3 Qc3+ 32.Ke2 f6 33.Qd5 Bxg4+ 34.Kf2 Qc5+ 35.Kg3 Qxd5 36.f5 Bxf5 37.Re3 Qd4 38.Rf3 Kf7 39.Kh2 Rc8 40.Rg3 Rc2+ 41.Kh1 Qd1+ 42.Rg1 Qh5# 0-1 (42) Mikegscarn (2821)-Sanjaypune (2630) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...Nc4 *(13...Qa5 14.Qe2 Qb4 15.a3 Qa5 16.f4 Nc6 17.Rhf1 Red8 18.g4 Rf8 19.f5 Ne5 20.g5 Nh5 21.Nd5 Rfe8 22.Qf2 Kh8 23.Qh4 Bf8 24.Nf3 Nc4 25.Bd4+ Kg8 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.Nf4 Ng7 28.Nh2 Qb5 29.Ng4 Nh5 30.Nxh5 Bxg4 31.Qxg4 Nd2+ 32.Rxd2 Qxf1+ 33.Rd1 Qb5 34.Qf4 Qxb3 35.cxb3 Bg7 36.Bxg7 gxh5 37.Rf1 Rc1+ 38.Kxc1 f6 39.gxf6 Rc8+ 40.Kd2 Rc2+ 41.Kxc2 Kf7 42.fxe7+ Kxe7 43.Qf7+ Kd8 44.Qxb7 Ke8 45.Rf8#* 1-0 (45) Mayhempi Cluster (2847)-Phalanx Xxv (2453) Rapid 2023*)* 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.g4 Qc7 16.h4 h5 17.g5 Nh7 18.Nd5 Qb8 19.Ne2 e6 20.Ndc3 Bf8 21.Bf4 Rc6 22.Bg3 b5 23.e5 b4 24.Ne4 d5 25.Qe3 dxe4 26.Rxd7 Re7 27.Rxe7 Bxe7 28.Qxe4 Qb6 29.Bf4 Nf8 30.Rd1 Rc8 31.Be3 Bc5 32.Rd6 Qa5 33.Rd2 Qb6 34.Bf4 Be7 35.b3 Qc7 36.Qd4 Rd8 37.Qc4 Qxc4 38.bxc4 Nd7 39.Nd4 Kf8 40.Nc6 Rc8 41.Nxa7 Rxc4 42.Bg3 Nb6 43.Nb5 Ke8 44.Rd3 Na4 45.Bf2 Nc3+ 46.Nxc3 bxc3 47.Rd4 Rc5 48.Re4 Rb5+ 49.Kc1 Ba3+ 50.Kd1 Rd5+ 51.Rd4 Rxe5 52.Be1 Bc5 53.Rc4 Rd5+ 54.Ke2 Bd4 55.a4 f6 56.a5 ½-½ (56) LCZero 0.31-dag-f7fb268-BT4-6 (3652)-Stockfish Dev Cf1064 (3683) tcec-chess.com INT 2024;

F3b) 11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 b5

F3b1) Enthusiastic subscribers will know all about the mad 13.h4 a5 *(13...b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qb6 17.Qxb6 axb6 18.Rhe1 Rfe8 19.Rd4 f5 20.Rxb4 b5 21.c3 Kf7 22.Kd2 Kf6 23.a3 h6 24.Rd4 g5 25.Rh1 Rh8 26.Ke2 f4 27.Bc2 Bf5 28.Bxf5 Kxf5 29.Re4 Rc5 30.hxg5 Kxg5 31.Rd1 Rh7 32.Rdd4 Rf7 33.Re6 h5 34.Kd3 Kf5 35.b4 Rc7 36.Rde4 Rg7 37.Rh6 Kg5 38.Rh8 Ra7 39.Rf8 Rxa3 40.Rexf4 Ra2 41.g4 h4 42.R4f5+ Kg6 43.Rh8 Rh2 44.Rfh5 Rf7 45.Ke3 Rc2 46.R8h6+ Kg7 47.Rh7+ Kg8 48.Rxf7 Kxf7 49.Kd4 Rh2 50.Rh6 Kg7 51.g5 h3 52.f4 Rf2 53.Ke4 h2 54.Kf5 Rd2 55.Ke6 Re2+ 56.Kd7 Kf7 57.f5 Re5 58.Rh7+ Kg8 59.Rxh2 Rxd5 60.Rf2 Re5 61.f6*

exf6 62.gxf6 Kf7 63.Kxd6 Re3 64.Kc5 Re5+ 65.Kd4 1-0 (65) Elconceto (2875)-Sakali (2689) Blitz 2022) 14.h5 (14.a3 b4 15.axb4 axb4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.exd5 Qa5 19.Qd4+ f6 20.h5 Bf5 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Rde1 Rfe8 23.Qh4 g5 24.Qd4 Bxc2 25.Bxc2 b3 26.Rh7+ Kg8 27.Re2 Qa1+ 0-1 (27) Elconceto (2872)-Benditoporlatormenta (2641) Blitz 2025; 14.Nd5 e5 15.Be3 a4 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.Bd5 h5 18.g4 hxg4 19.h5 g5 20.fxg4 Be7 21.Rdf1 Be6 22.h6 Kh7 23.Qh2 Bxd5 24.exd5 f6 25.Rf5 b4 26.Rhf1 b3 27.axb3 axb3 28.c3 Qa5 29.Kd1 Qa1+ 30.Bc1 Rc5 31.Qd2 Qa5 32.Ke1 Rxd5 33.Qe2 Qa1 34.Kf2 Qb1 35.Bxg5 Qc2 36.Be3 Rg8 37.g5 Rxg5 38.Qxc2 bxc2 39.Bxg5 fxg5 40.Ke2 Kxh6 41.Rf7 Bd8 42.Rc1 g4 43.Rxc2 Bg5 44.b4 g3 45.Kf3 Rd3+ 46.Kg2 Bd2 47.Rf3 Rxf3 48.Kxf3 Be1 49.b5 Bf2 50.Rxf2 gxf2 51.Kxf2 1-0 (51) Monster7150 (2864)-Stka1969 (2526) Rapid 2024; 14.e5 dxe5 15.Bxe5 Bc6 16.Qe3 Qe8 17.a3 b4 18.axb4 axb4 19.Na2 Ba4 20.Rhe1 Ng4 21.fxg4 Bxe5 22.Nxb4 Qb5 23.Bxa4 Qxb4 24.Qa3 Bxb2+ 25.Qxb2 Qxa4 26.Re3 Rb8 27.Qa3 Qxg4 28.Rd2 e6 29.g3 Rfd8 30.Rxd8+ Rxd8 31.Rd3 Rc8 32.Rc3 Rb8 33.Rb3 Rc8 34.Rc3 Rxc3 35.Qxc3 h6 36.Qe3 g5 37.hxg5 Qxg5 38.Kd2 Kf8 39.Kd3 Ke7 40.Qa7+ Kf6 41.Qd4+ e5 42.Qd8+ Ke6 43.Qe8+ Kf6 44.Qd8+ Kg6 45.Qxg5+ hxg5 46.Ke4 Kf6 47.Kd5 Kf5 48.c4 e4 49.c5 e3 50.c6 e2 51.c7 e1Q 52.c8Q+ Qe6+ 53.Qxe6+ fxe6+ 54.Kd6 Kg4 55.Kxe6 Kxg3 56.Kf5 g4 0-1 (56) Aqua Blazing (2858)-Vasacaerpuente (2602) Blitz 2025) 14...a4 15.Bxf6 (15.hxg6 e6 16.gxh7+ Kh8 17.Bd5 exd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Bxg7+ Kxg7 20.Qxd5 Be6 21.Qxb5 Qf6 22.Qd3 Bxa2 23.Qxd6 Rxc2+ 24.Kxc2 Rc8+ 25.Kd2 Qxd6+ 26.Ke3 Qb6+ 27.Kf4 Kh8 28.Rh5 Qf6+ 29.Rf5 Qh6+ 30.Kg3 Qxh7 31.Rd2 Rg8+ 32.Kf2 Qh4+ 33.Ke3 Qh6+ 34.Rf4 Be6 35.e5 Qg5 36.Ke4 Qg6+ 37.Ke3 Re8 38.g4 Bb3 39.Rf5 Be6 40.Rh5+ Kg7 41.Kf4 Bb3 42.Rg5 Qxg5+ 43.Kxg5 Rxe5+ 44.Kf4 Rb5 45.Ke3 Kf6 46.f4 Be6 47.f5 Bxf5 48.gxf5 Kxf5 49.Rf2+ Ke5 50.Kd3 Rb3+ 51.Kc4 f5 52.Re2+ Kf6 53.Kd4 f4 54.Ke4 1-0 (54) Xiaochess (2823)-Crmessi05 (2552) Blitz 2022) 15...Bxf6

16.hxg6 e6 17.e5 Bg7 variation. It's complicated for sure but you'll discover in the archives why Black is okay, hence explaining why the text is the main line.. variation. It's complicated for sure but you'll discover in the archives why Black is okay, hence explaining why the text is the main line..;

F3b2) 13.a3 a6 14.h4 Be6 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.exd5 h5 17.g4 Re8 18.Rdg1 Qd7 19.Kb1 hxg4 20.h5 gxf3 21.hxg6 e5 22.dxe6 fxe6 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Qf4 Be5 25.Qxf3 Re7 26.Qh5 Rb8 27.g7 Rxg7 28.Rf1 Rf7 29.Qg4+ Kf8 30.Bxe6 Qb7 31.Qg6 Rf3 32.Rxf3+ Qxf3 33.Rh7 Qh1+ 34.Rxh1 Rb7 35.Rf1+ Bf4 36.Rxf4+ Ke7 37.Qf6+ Ke8 38.Qf8# Normal 1-0 (38) No Stockfish Bots (2994)-Phalanx Xxv (2440) Rapid 2024;

F3b3) 13.Bxa7 Qa5 *(13...b4 14.Ne2 Qa5 15.Bd4 Ba4 16.Kb1 Bxb3 17.cxb3 e5 18.Be3 d5 19.exd5 Rfd8 20.d6 Bf8 21.a4 Rxd6 22.Qe1 Nd5 23.Rc1 Qa6 24.Bc5 Rd7 25.Bxf8 Rxf8 26.h4 h5 27.Qf2 Qd3+ 28.Ka2 Qe3 29.Qe1 Ra8 30.Ng3 f5 31.Qxe3 Nxe3 32.Rce1 Nxg2 33.Rxe5 Rc8 34.Rb5 Rd4 35.Ne2 Rd2 36.Nc1 Nxh4 37.Rxh4 Rxc1 38.Rbxb4 Rdd1 39.Rb8+ Kg7 40.b4 Ra1+ 41.Kb3 Rd3+ 42.Kc4 Rxf3 43.b5 Rc1+ 44.Kb4 Rc2 45.Rc4 Rxb2+ 46.Ka5 Re3 47.Rbc8 Re6 48.R8c6 Re8 49.Rb4 Ra8+ 50.Ra6 Rxb4 51.Kxb4 Rf8 52.a5* Draw agreed ½-½ (52) Buecker,J (2875)-Sutovs,A (1191) Lechenicher SchachServer 2016*)* 14.Bd4 b4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Rxc2+ 17.Bxc2 Qxa2 18.Qf2 Rc8 19.Bxg7 b3 20.Bd4 Rxc2+ 21.Qxc2 bxc2 22.Kxc2 Bf5+ 23.Kd2 Qxd5 24.Ke2 Qb3 25.Rd2 e5 26.Bc3 d5 27.Rhd1 d4 28.Bxd4 exd4 29.Rxd4 Kg7 30.R1d2 Qe6+ 31.Kf2 Qb3 32.Rd6 Qb5 33.R6d4 Qc5 34.b4 Qc3 35.b5 Qc5 36.Kg3 Qxb5 37.Rd5 Qb8+ 38.Kf2 Qb6+ 39.R5d4 Qb8 40.Rd5 Qb6+ 41.R5d4 Qb8 42.Rd5 ½-½ (42) Shalgy0102 (2881)-Taktik05 (2673) Rapid 2023;

F3b4) 13.Kb1 a5 14.a4 *(14.a3 b4 15.axb4 axb4 16.Na2 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.Qxb4 Rb8 19.Qc4 Qd7 20.b3 Rfc8 21.Qd3 Qa4 22.Kb2 Rc7 23.Nc3 Qb4 24.Ra1 Nd7 25.Bxg7 Kxg7 26.Na4 Ne5 27.Qe2 Nc4+ 28.Kc1 Na3 29.c3 Rxc3+* 0-1 (29) Vaynetop (2811)-Voat (2739) Blitz 2021*)* 14...bxa4 15.Bxa4 Bxa4 16.Nxa4 Rc4 17.b3 Nxe4 18.Qe3 Rxd4 19.Rxd4

Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Nf6 21.Re1 Qc7 22.Re2 Rc8 23.Nb6 e5 24.Qe3 Rb8 25.Na4 Nd5 26.Qd2 Nf4 27.Re3 d5 28.Rc3 Qd8 29.Rc5 Rb4 30.g3 Ne6 31.Rxd5 Qc7 32.Qc3 Qb7 33.Rxa5 Nd4 34.Rxe5 Rxa4 35.Re4 Qb4 36.Qb2 Ra8 37.Qxd4 Qa3 38.Qc3 Qa2+ 39.Kc1 Qa6 40.Ra4 Qf1+ 41.Kb2 Re8 42.Re4 Rd8 43.Rc4 Ra8 44.Rc8+ Rxc8 45.Qxc8+ Kg7 46.Qc3+ Kh6 47.f4 f5 48.b4 Kh5 49.Qb3 Qb5 50.c4 Qb6 51.b5 Qf2+ 52.Ka3 Qxh2 53.b6 Qd2 54.b7 Qa5+ 55.Kb2 Qd2+ 56.Kb1 Qe1+ 57.Kc2 Qe2+ 58.Kc3 Qe1+ 59.Kd4 Qe4+ 60.Kc5 Qe7+ 61.Kc6 Qe8+ 62.Kb6 Qd8+ 63.Ka6 Qd6+ 64.Ka7 Qc5+ 65.Qb6 Qa3+ 66.Kb8 Qf8+ 67.Kc7 Qe7+ 68.Kc6 1-0 (68) Azzir (2853)-Yakamuzosan (2731) Blitz 2024;

F3b5) 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.exd5 a5 16.a3

F3b51) Previously we have commentated about 16...Qb6 that logical then is 17 Rhe1 but note that after the casual that logical then is 17 Rhe1 but note that after the casual 17.h4? Black has *(17.Rhe1 h5 18.h3 h4 19.Qd4+ Qxd4 20.Rxd4 Bf5 21.c3 g5 22.Rxe7 Rfe8 23.Rxe8 Rxe8 24.Kd2 Kf6 25.a4 Rb8 26.Kc1 Ke5 27.axb5 Rxb5 28.Bc4 Rb8 29.b3 Bg6 30.Kb2 Bf5 31.Ka3 Bd7 32.Re4+ Kf6 33.Bf1 Bf5 34.Re1 Bc2 35.Bc4 Rc8 36.Re2 Bf5 37.Ka4 Rc5 38.Rd2 Bd7+ 39.Ka3 a4 40.Kb4 axb3 41.Kxb3 Bf5 42.Kb4 Rc8 43.Bb5 Ke5 44.c4 Kf4 45.Bc6 Rb8+ 46.Bb5 Rc8 47.Ka5 Kg3 48.Kb6 Ra8 49.Kc7 Ra1 50.Kxd6 Rg1 51.c5 Rxg2 52.Rxg2+ Kxg2 53.Bd7 Bxd7 54.Kxd7 Kxf3 55.c6 g4 56.c7 gxh3 57.c8Q h2 58.Qc1 Kg2 59.Qd2+ Kg1 60.Qe1+ Kg2 61.Qe2+ Kg1 62.Qe3+ Kg2 63.Qg5+ Kh3 64.Qf5+ Kg2 65.Qg4+ Kf1 66.Qxh4 Kg2 67.Qg4+ Kf2 68.Qh3 Kg1 69.Qg3+ Kh1 70.Qf2* 1-0 (70) Silence404 (2907)-Lav Eli Mi Kri1920 (2790) Blitz 2024*)* 17...a4 18.Ba2 Rxc2+! 19.Qxc2 *(*or *19.Kxc2 Bf5+* when a follow up major piece check on the c-file is going to be devastating. when a follow up major piece check on the c-file is going to be devastating.*)* 19...Rc8 when after 20.Qxc8 Bxc8 due to the poor positioning of White's

bishop, Black's queen and pawn is far superior to the two white rooks. due to the poor positioning of White's bishop, Black's queen and pawn is far superior to the two white rooks.;

F3b52) The standard pawn sacrifice is 16...b4 but previously seen here on the site too, that is on its way in an accurate move order. but previously seen here on the site too, that is on its way in an accurate move order. 17.a4 Qe8 18.Rhe1 Bxa4 19.Kb1 Bxb3 20.cxb3 Qd7 21.g4 Kg8 22.h4 a4 23.Qxb4 axb3 24.Qxb3 Ra8 25.h5 Qa7 26.Re4 Rfb8 27.Rb4 Rxb4 28.Qxb4 Qa2+ 29.Kc2 Rc8+ 30.Kd2 Qxd5+ 31.Ke2 Rc2+ 32.Rd2 Rxd2+ 33.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 34.Kxd2 gxh5 35.b4 Kf8 36.gxh5 Ke8 37.Kc3 Kd7 38.b5 Kc7 39.Kb4 Kb6 40.Kc4 e6 41.f4 h6 42.Kb4 d5 0-1 (42) Nozdrachev,V (2856)-Samarqand2021 (2842) Blitz 2021;

F3b53) 16...a4 17.Ba2 Bf5 18.c3 Qb6 19.g4 Bd7 20.h4 h6 21.h5 g5 22.f4 f6 23.Qd3 Be8 24.Rhe1 Rc7 25.Re4 Bf7 26.Rde1 Re8 27.Bb1 Qf2 28.Rf1 Qh4 29.fxg5 hxg5 30.Ree1 Rh8 31.h6+ Kf8 32.Qxb5 Qxg4 33.Re4 Qd7 34.Qxd7 Rxd7 35.Rh1 Bxd5 36.Rb4 Kf7 37.Rh2 e6 38.Rxa4 f5 39.Rd4 Kf6 40.b4 g4 41.Kb2 Bf3 42.c4 e5 43.Rdd2 Kg5 44.c5 g3 45.Rh3 f4 46.b5 Kg4 47.c6 Rc7 48.Rhh2 gxh2 49.Rxh2 e4 50.h7 e3 51.Kc3 Kg3 52.Rh6 Bxc6 53.bxc6 Rxc6+ 54.Kd3 Rc1 55.Ba2 Rd1+ 56.Kc2 e2 57.Rg6+ Kf2 0-1 (57) Sp1Cycaterpillar (2840)-Nozdrachev,V (2669) Blitz 2021;

F3b54) 16...Rc5 17.h4 b4 18.axb4 axb4 19.h5 Qa5 20.Qd4+ f6 21.Rde1 Bf5 22.Rxe7+ Rf7 23.Rhe1 gxh5 24.Rxf7+ Kxf7 25.Kd2 Bxc2 26.Re6 Qd8 27.Bxc2 b3 28.Bxb3 1-0 (28) Gogotaniye (2818)-Ihmelnyk (2696) Rapid 2022;

F3b55) 16...Qc7 17.h4 h6 18.Rhe1 Rfe8 19.c3 Qc5 20.Qd4+ Kg8 21.h5 g5 22.Qxc5 Rxc5 23.Rd4 Kg7 24.Bc2 Kf6 25.Kd2 Rc4 26.Bd3 Rxd4 27.cxd4 Rc8 28.g4 Rc7 29.Ra1 Rb7 30.b4 a4 31.Rc1 e6 32.dxe6 Bxe6 33.Be4 Rb6 34.Rc6 Rxc6 35.Bxc6 Bc4 36.Ke3

Ke6 37.Be4 f6 38.f4 Ke7 39.Bf5 Bd5 40.Bd3 Bc6 41.Be4 Bd7 42.Bf3 Kd8 43.Be2 Kc7 44.Ke4 Kc6 45.Bd1 d5+ 46.Ke3 Kd6 47.Bf3 Be6 48.Be2 f5 49.gxf5 Bxf5 50.fxg5 hxg5 51.Bxb5 Bc2 52.Bd3 Bxd3 53.Kxd3 Ke6 54.Ke3 Kf5 55.Kf3 g4+ 56.Kg3 Kg5 57.b5 Kxh5 58.b6 Kg5 59.b7 Kf5 60.b8Q Ke4 61.Qe5+ Kd3 62.Qxd5 Kc3 63.Qc5+ Kb3 64.Qb4+ Ka2 65.d5 Ka1 66.d6 Ka2 67.d7 Ka1 68.d8Q Ka2 69.Qdd2+ Ka1 70.Qdb2# 1-0 (70) Drcesar001 (2809)-Sina Iran (2786) Blitz 2021;

F3b56) 16...Kg8 The text king retreat is prophylactic as on g7 it may often find itself in the firing line. The text king retreat is prophylactic as on g7 it may often find itself in the firing line. 17.Rhe1 *(* Four times more popular in practice than *17.h4* although for completion you should check the archives for that too with plenty of material to be found. although for completion you should check the archives for that too with plenty of material to be found. *b4 18.axb4 axb4 19.h5 Qa5 20.Qd4 Bf5 21.Kd2 Rc5 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Rde1 Rf7 24.Ra1 Qd8 25.Qxb4 h5 26.Qd4 Rf8 27.Rhe1 Qc7 28.c4 Rb8 29.Re3 Kf7 30.Ra4 Bd7 31.Ra3 Rxb3 32.Raxb3 Rxc4 33.Qb6 Rc2+ 34.Ke1 Qc4 35.Rbc3 Rc1+ 36.Kf2 Rxc3 37.bxc3 Qxd5 38.Qd4 Qa2+ 39.Kg3 Bf5 40.Qf4 e5 41.Qh6 Qc4 42.Qh7+ Kf6 43.Qh8+ Kf7 44.Qh7+ Kf8 45.Qa7 Qf4+ 46.Kf2 h4 47.Qb8+ Kf7 48.Qc7+ Kf6 49.Qxd6+ Kg5 50.Qxe5 Qg3+ 51.Qxg3+ hxg3+ 52.Kxg3 Kf6 53.Kf2 g5 54.c4 g4 55.f4 g3+ 56.Kxg3 Kg6 57.Kf2 Kf6 58.g3 Kg6 59.Re5 Bg4 60.Rf5* 1-0 (60) Rafaellopl (2817)-Hungzhao (2724) Blitz 2021 *)*

F3b561) Previously on the site we have checked out Previously on the site we have checked out 17...b4 18.axb4 axb4 19.Qxb4 Rb8 *(* My view on *19...Rc5* is that via this selected move order 20 Re3 would transpose to our main line but White also has the opportunity for the superior is that via this selected move order 20 Re3 would

transpose to our main line but White also has the opportunity for the superior *20.Rd3; 19...Bf5 20.g4 Bd7 21.Re3 Rc5 22.Rc3 Ra5 23.Kd2 Qa8 24.Qd4 Ba4 25.Bc4 Rb8 26.b3 Bb5 27.Re1 Bxc4 28.bxc4 Rb7 29.Ke3 Rc7 30.Kf4 Qf8 31.Kg3 Rac5 32.h4 Qc8 33.Re4 Qa6 34.h5 Qa1 35.h6 f6 36.g5 Rxc4 37.Rxc4 Rxc4 38.Qxa1* 1-0 (38) Virtualspace (2852)-Yakamuzosan (2714) Blitz 2023*)* 20.Qc3 *(20.Qd4* looks like a much better square, not fearing *Qa5 21.Rxe7 Rxb3 22.cxb3 Rc8+ 23.Kb1 Bf5+ 24.Re4* with an edge to White. *)* 20...Re8 which offers maybe a bit of comp but certainly not as much as the which offers maybe a bit of comp but certainly not as much as the 21.Re3 Qb6 22.Qd4 Qa5 23.Rde1 Rb4 24.Qd1? Bf5 25.Qe2 Qa1+ 0-1 of Caprio,G (2272) -Lekic,D (2389) Cento 2011 would imply. Nevertheless 0-1 of Caprio,G (2272) -Lekic, D (2389) Cento 2011 would imply. Nevertheless 26.Kd2 Rd4+ 27.Kc3 Qa5+ 28.Kxd4 Qc5# would have been pretty!;

F3b562) 17...Re8 18.g4 b4 19.axb4 axb4 20.Qxb4 Rb8 21.Qc3 Rc8 22.Qd4 Qa5 23.Re4 f5 24.Re3 Rb8 25.Rde1 Kf7 26.g5 Qa1+ 27.Kd2 Qa5+ 28.Qc3 Qxc3+ 29.Rxc3 Rec8 30.Rxc8 Bxc8 31.Kc3 Bd7 32.Ra1 Rc8+ 33.Kd4 f4 34.Bc4 e5+ 35.dxe6+ Bxe6 36.Ra7+ 1-0 (36) Liem Chess (2863)-Hungzhao (2760) Blitz 2020;

F3b563) 17...Rc5

F3b5631) 18.g4 [%draw arrow,d7,f5] [%draw full,c2] b4 19.axb4 axb4 20.Qxb4 (hence g2-g4 has been included rather than the more useful Re3) (hence g2-g4 has been included rather than the more useful Re3) Qa8 21.Kd2 *(21.Rxe7 Qa1+ 22.Kd2 Qxb2 23.Qf4 Bb5 24.Ke1 Qc3+ 25.Kf2 Bc4 26.Re3 Qb2 27.Bxc4 Qxc2+*

28.Be2 Ra5 29.Re7 Ra2 30.Kg3 Qc5 31.h4 Rb2 32.h5 Rb4 33.Qf6 gxh5 34.gxh5 h6 35.Re4 Kh7 36.Qf5+ Kh8 37.Qf6+ Kh7 38.Rg4 Rxg4+ 39.fxg4 Qe3+ 40.Bf3 Rg8 41.Qxf7+ Rg7 42.Qf5+ Kh8 43.Qf4 1-0 (43) Charles Ingalls (2861) - Yakamuzosan (2718) Blitz 2023*)* 21...Rb8 22.Ra1 Rxd5+ 23.Ke3 Re5+ 24.Kd2 saw Black draw very easily and White maybe feel relieved in the site annotated Karjakin, S (2722)-Shirov,A (2730). saw Black draw very easily and White maybe feel relieved in the site annotated Karjakin, S (2722)-Shirov,A (2730).;

F3b5632)

The conclusion is that both ...Kg8 and ...Rc5 are useful moves (the latter paving the way for other two black major pieces to slide over) and although ...b4 is inevitable, delaying it restricts White's options. The conclusion is that both ...Kg8 and ...Rc5 are useful moves (the latter paving the way for other two black major pieces to slide over) and although ...b4 is inevitable, delaying it restricts White's options. 18.Re3 [%draw full, e7] 18...b4 Well we had speculated that this was the correct move order and that conclusion has apparently been supported by a 3729 rated engine. With all things considered, a pretty good reference! [%draw arrow,b4,a3] [%draw arrow,b2,a3] Well we had speculated that this was the correct move order and that conclusion has apparently been supported by a 3729 rated engine. With all things considered, a pretty good reference! 19.axb4 *(*I still suspect *19.a4 Qe8 20.Qe2 Bxa4 21.Rxe7 Qxe7! 22.Qxe7 Bxb3*

23.Rd2 Rfc8 offers equal chances although Black could also deviate. offers equal chances although Black could also deviate. *)* 19...axb4 20.Qxb4 And so we've essentially reached the debated scenario of the Topalov system. To dissuade White from his own kingside offensive or positional play utilising the half-open e-file, Black has sacrificed a pawn for some major piece action on the queenside. And so we've essentially reached the debated scenario of the Topalov system. To dissuade White from his own kingside offensive or positional play utilising the half-open e-file, Black has sacrificed a pawn for some major piece action on the queenside. Qa8 And again backed up by the engine, this is clearly Black's best option, bringing the queen to a reasonably active square (currently eyeing up a1) and clearing the way for the f8-rook to join the party. [%draw arrow,f8,b8] And again backed up by the engine, this is clearly Black's best option, bringing the queen to a reasonably active square (currently eyeing up a1) and clearing the way for the f8-rook to join the party.

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21.Rxe7 Qa1+
22.Kd2 Qxb2

certainly looks good enough for a pawn with

F3b563211)

And not 23.Rxd7?? Rxc2+;

F3b563212) whilst

23.Qf4?! Bf5!
24.Ke2 Qf6!
25.Qe3 Rc3
26.Qa7 Bxc2
27.Bxc2 Rxc2+
28.Rd2 *(or 28.Kf1 Qg5 29.g3 Qf5)*
28...Rxd2+
29.Kxd2 Qg5+

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F3b563213)

23.Re4 Qf6 avoiding the Qd4 queen swap and bringing a check into play on g5. Really any result is possible. avoiding the Qd4 queen swap and bringing a check into play on g5. Really any result is possible.;

F3b56322)

The game selected move allows the queen to guard b2 with the only other try being 'heading for the hills' via The game selected move allows the queen to guard b2 with the only other try being 'heading for the hills' via

21.Kd2

Then through Rb8 22.Qd4!? *(Given after 22.Qf4 Bf5 23.Rxe7 Qa5+ 24.Ke2 Qd8* White has to keep the pressure on f7 to prevent ...Bxc2, a draw via White has to keep the pressure on f7 to prevent ...Bxc2, a draw via *25.Ra7 Qb6 26.Re7 Qd8* is essentially forced. *)* White has scored 51% in practice with the most high-profile case being the White has scored 51% in practice with the most high-profile case being the 22...Qa5+ 23.Ke2 Rb4 24.Qd2 Qb6 25.Kf2 Ba4 26.Bxa4 Rxa4 27.Rb3 Qa7 28.Kg3 Raa5 29.Rb4 Rxd5 30.Qxd5 Rxd5 31.Rxd5 Qa1 32.Re4 Kf8 33.b3 f5 34.Re2 Qf1 35.Rdd2 g5 36.h4 gxh4+ 37.Kxh4 Kf7 38.Kg3 Qg1 39.Kf4 Kf6 40.Rf2 Qe1 41.Kg3 Qg1 42.f4 h5 43.Kf3 Qe1 44.Rfe2 Qg1 45.Rf2 Qe1 46.Rfe2 1/2-1/2 of Alekseenko,K (2609) -Vocaturo, D (2620) Batumi 2018 ½-½ of Alekseenko,K (2609) -Vocaturo,D

(2620) Batumi 2018;
F3b56323) 21.Bc4
F3b563231)
21...Qa7 22.Rxe7 Rfc8 23.b3 Kf8 24.Ree1 Bb5
(24...Bf5 25.Kd2 Rxd5+ 26.Ke2 Re5+ 27.Kf1 Kg7 28.Qxd6 Rxe1+ 29.Rxe1 Bxc2 30.Re7 Qa1+ 31.Kf2 Rf8 32.Qe5+ Qxe5 33.Rxe5 Rb8 34.Re3 Kf6 35.Ke2 h5 36.Kd2 Bf5 37.h4 Bd7 38.Kc3 Rc8 39.Kd4 Rb8 40.Rd3 Bf5 41.Re3 Bd7 42.Re2 Bf5 43.Kc3 Rc8 44.Kb2 Rb8 45.Rd2 g5 46.hxg5+ Kxg5 47.Bxf7 h4 48.Bc4 Kf4 49.Kc3 Kg3 50.b4 Rc8 51.Kb3 Bg6 52.b5 Be8 53.Kb4 Rb8 54.Rb2 Bg6 55.Ra2 1-0 (55)
Virtualspace (2859) - Yakamuzosan (2707) Blitz 2023*)*
25.Re4 f5 26.Qc3 Kg8 27.Red4 Bxc4 28.Rxc4 Qa3+ 29.Qb2 Qa7 30.Rxc5 Qxc5 31.Kb1 Kf7 32.c4 Rb8 33.Re1 Qb6 34.Re2 Qg1+ 35.Kc2 Qf1 36.Kd2 Qg1 37.Qc3 Ra8 38.Qb2 Ra1 39.Kc3 Rc1+ 40.Kb4 Qc5+ 41.Ka4 Qa7+ 42.Kb4 Ra1 43.Kc3 Qa5+ 44.b4 Qa7 45.Kd2 Ra2 46.Kd3 Rxb2 47.Rxb2 Qa3+ 48.Kc2 Ke7 49.b5 Kd7 50.b6 Kc8 51.b7+ Kb8 52.Rb3 Qc5 53.Kc3 Qe3+ 54.Kb4 Qc5+ 55.Kc3 f4 56.Rb5 Qa3+ 57.Kd4 Qe3# 0-1 (57)
Virtualspace (2892) - Yakamuzosan (2706) Blitz 2023;
F3b563232)
21...Rfc8 22.Ra3 Qxa3 23.Qxa3 Rxc4 24.c3 Ra4 25.Qb3 Ra1+ 26.Kc2 Raa8 27.Rd4 h5 28.h4 Kg7 29.Kd2 e5 30.dxe6 Bxe6 31.Qc2 d5 32.Rb4 Bf5 33.Qd1 Ra2 34.Ke3 Be6 35.Kf2 Kh7 36.Kg3 Rca8 37.Qd4 Ra1 38.Rb7 Kg8

39.Qb4 Kh7 40.Rb8 Rxb8 41.Qxb8 Rb1 42.b4 Rb3 43.Qe5 Kg8 44.Kf4 Kf8 45.Qd4 Ke7 46.Qc5+ Kf6 47.b5 Rb2 48.Kg3 Rb3 49.b6 Kf5 50.Qc7 Kf6 51.b7 1-0 (51) Virtualspace (2866) - Yakamuzosan (2700) Blitz 2023; **F3b563233)** Generally speaking with his king exposed and Black's pieces so active, it's never going to easy to consolidate that extra pawn advantage. Generally speaking with his king exposed and Black's pieces so active, it's never going to easy to consolidate that extra pawn advantage. 21...Bf5 Continuing in dynamic fashion without yet committing the king's rook. [%draw full,c2] Continuing in dynamic fashion without yet committing the king's rook. 22.Ra3 *(* Probably necessary. Black's last move was eyeing up c2 and upon Probably necessary. Black's last move was eyeing up c2 and upon *22.Rxe7 Rfc8* the pressure was seriously building with the pressure was seriously building with *23.Rd4 Qa1+ 24.Kd2 Qg1! 25.Qc3 Ra5 26.Re1 Qxg2+ 27.Re2 Qg1* seeing Black go on to convert the full point in Kover,W (2205)-Walter,G (2377) ICCF email 2010. seeing Black go on to convert the full point in Kover,W (2205)-Walter,G (2377) ICCF email 2010.*)* 22...Qc8 Targeting the bishop which is of course pinned to the c2-pawn. [%draw full,c2] [%draw full,c4] Targeting the bishop which is of course pinned to the c2-pawn. 23.b3 Qc7

Again accurate as it is definitely time to introduce the f8-rook to the proceedings. [%draw arrow,f8,c8] [%draw arrow,c8,b8] Again accurate as it is definitely time to introduce the f8-rook to the proceedings.
24.Qd2 Rc8! *(* More accurate than the More accurate than the *24...Rb8* of the site annotated Kravtsiv,M (2599)-Jones,G (2647) Abu Dhabi UAE 2015. of the site annotated Kravtsiv,M (2599)-Jones,G (2647) Abu Dhabi UAE 2015.*; 24...Rxc4?! 25.bxc4 Qxc4 26.g4 Bd7 27.Qd4* is an inferior version of what soon crops up in the game. is an inferior version of what soon crops up in the game. *)*

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Given the exposed nature of the white king, Given the exposed nature of the white king,

25.Qd4 e5
26.dxe6 d5!
27.exf7+ Qxf7
28.g4 *(*or *28.Bd3 Rxc2+!* as *29.Bxc2? Rxc2+ 30.Kb1 Rd2+* picks up the queen. picks up the queen. *)* 28...Bxc2
29.Kxc2 Rxc4+
30.bxc4 Rxc4+
leads to an equal queen vs 2 rooks endgame. leads to an equal queen vs 2 rooks endgame.;

F3b5632332)

25.g4 Bd7 26.Ra2 Bb5 27.Bxb5 Rxb5 28.Kb1 Qc3 29.Qd3 Rb4 30.Ra6 Kg7 31.Rd2 Rf4 32.Qxc3+ Rxc3 33.Ra7 *(33.Kb2 Rcxf3 34.Re2 Rd4 35.Rxe7 Rxd5 36.Re2 Rd4 37.Ra4 Rd1 38.Ra7 Rd4 39.Ra4 Rd1 40.Ra7 Rd4 41.Rg2 h6 42.Ra4 Rd1 43.b4 Kf6 44.c3 Ke6 45.Ra6 Kd5 46.Kb3 Rb1+ 47.Kc2 Rff1 48.Rd2+ Ke4 49.Re2+ Kd5 50.Ra5+ Kc6 51.Ra6+ Kd5 52.Ra5+ Kc6*

53.Ra8 Rfc1+ 54.Kd3 Rd1+ 55.Ke4 Rbc1 56.Rf2 Re1+ 57.Kd3 Red1+ 58.Ke4 Re1+ 59.Kd3 Rcd1+ 60.Kc2 Rc1+ 61.Kb2 Rb1+ 62.Kc2 Rec1+ 63.Kd3 Rd1+ 64.Ke4 Re1+ 65.Kd3 Rbd1+ 66.Kc2 Rc1+ 67.Kb3 Rb1+ 68.Rb2 Rxb2+ 69.Kxb2 Rh1 70.Kb3 f5 71.gxf5 gxf5 72.Ra2 f4 73.Rf2 f3 74.Rxf3 Rxh2 75.c4 h5 76.Rf6 Rh1 77.Rh6 h4 78.Rh7 h3 79.Kb2 h2 80.Rh6 Kb7 81.Rh3 d5 82.Rh7+ Ka6 83.Rh6+ Ka7 84.cxd5 Rd1 85.Rxh2 Kb6 86.b5 Rxd5 87.Rh1 Rc5 88.Ra1 Rxb5+ 89.Kc1 Ra5 90.Rxa5 Kxa5 ½-½ (90) Nikitosik Ai (3041)-Arasanx (3056) Rapid 2024 *)* 33...Re3 34.Ka2 Kf6 35.c4 h6 36.Rb2 Rc3 37.h4 g5 38.h5 Rcxf3 39.b4 Rf2 40.Rxf2 Rxf2+ 41.Kb3 Rf3+ 42.Ka4 Rg3 43.Kb5 Rxg4 44.c5 dxc5 45.bxc5 Rd4 46.c6 Rxd5+ 47.Kb6 Rd1 48.Ra5 Rc1 49.Rc5 Rb1+ 50.Ka6 Ra1+ 51.Kb7 1-0 (51) Mayhempi Cluster (3044)-Arasanx (2992) Blitz 2025; **F3b5632333)** 25.Ra4 That aside as Black is telegraphing ... Rxc4, the reinforcing 25 Ra4 looks best. That aside as Black is telegraphing ... Rxc4, the reinforcing 25 Ra4 looks best. 25...Bd7 26.Ra2 h5!? Looking to secure the f5-square for the bishop and demonstrating a fair amount of ambition! [%draw full,f5] Looking to secure the f5-square for the bishop and demonstrating a fair amount of ambition! *(* Indeed *26...Bf5* could plausibly

have led to a repetition with an alternative possible path to a draw being rather cute: could plausibly have led to a repetition with an alternative possible path to a draw being rather cute: *27.g4 Rxc4! 28.bxc4 Qxc4 29.Kb1 Qb3+ 30.Rb2 Rxc2 31.Rxb3 Rxd2+ 32.Kc1 Rc2+ 33.Kb1 Rd2+;* Another option was Another option was *26...Bb5 27.Bxb5 Rxb5 28.Kb2 Rc5 29.Kb1* but even if he might be able to hold, realistically Black's winning chances have gone. but even if he might be able to hold, realistically Black's winning chances have gone.*;* Finally *26...Rxc4 27.bxc4 Qxc4* would be better with the insertion of the h-pawn advances that feature in the main game. would be better with the insertion of the h-pawn advances that feature in the main game.*)* 27.h3 Rxc4 28.bxc4 Qxc4

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[10...Rc8 11.Bb3

A) 11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 b5 13.h5 a5 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.a4 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 e5 18.dxe6 Bxe6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qd4+ f6 21.Qh4 f5 22.Qh6+ Kf6 23.Bxe6 Qe7 24.0-0-0 Qxe6 25.Qh4+ Kg7 26.Rde1 Qc4 27.Qh7+ 1-0 (27) Brown Player (2920)-Neslracsungam77 (2935) Blitz 2022;

B) 11...Na5

B1) 12.0-0-0 Nxb3+ *(12...b5 13.h5 b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Nxb3+ 16.axb3 a5 17.Bh6 Bf6 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Kb1 Bg7 21.g4 a4 22.Qe3 a3 23.Ne6 Qf6 24.Nd4 axb2 25.Rhe1 Ra8 26.Kxb2 Qf8 27.Kb1 Qc8 28.Rd3 Qc5 29.Kc1 Ra2 30.Qxe7 Ra1+ 31.Kd2 Rxe1 32.Kxe1 Bxd4 33.Qd8+ Kg7 34.Qxd7+ Kh6 35.Qc6 Bc3+ 36.Ke2 Qg1 37.f4 Qxg4+ 38.Rf3 Qg2+ 39.Rf2 Qe4+ 40.Kf1 Qe1+ 41.Kg2 Qe4+ 42.Kf1 Qe1+ 43.Kg2 Bd4 44.Rf3 Qg1+ 45.Kh3 Qh1+ 46.Kg3 Qg1+ 47.Kh3 Kh5 48.Qd7 Qh1+ 49.Kg3 Qg1+ 50.Kh3 Bf2 51.Rxf2 Qxf2 52.Qg4+ Kh6 53.Qg5+ Kg7 54.Qe7+ Kh6 55.Qg5+ Kg7 56.Qe7+ Kh6 57.Qh4+ Qxh4+ 58.Kxh4 Kg7 59.Kg5 h6+ 60.Kg4 Kf6 61.Kf3 g5 62.Ke3 Kf5 63.fxg5 hxg5 64.Kf3 g4+ 65.Kg3 Ke5 66.Kxg4 Kxd5 67.Kf4 Kd4 68.Kf5 Kc3 69.Ke6 Kxc2 70.Kxd6 Kxb3 71.Kd5 Kc3 72.Kc5 b3 73.Kd5 b2 74.Ke5 b1Q 75.Kf6 Qd3 76.Kg5 Qd4 77.Kf5 Qd5+ 78.Kf4 Qd6+ 79.Ke4 Qd7 80.Ke3 Qd8 81.Ke2 Qe8+ 82.Kf3 Qf8+ 83.Kg3 Qg8+ 84.Kh3 Qh8+ 85.Kg3 Qg8+ 86.Kh3 Qh8+ 87.Kg3 ½-½ (87) Sergoy45 (2833)-Norolex (2851) Blitz 2022)* 13.axb3 Qa5 14.Kb1 h5 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.g4 hxg4 18.h5 e5 19.hxg6 exd4 20.Qh2 Bh4 21.Bf2 fxg6 22.Bxh4 Qc7 23.Bg5 Qxc2+ 24.Qxc2 Rxc2 25.Kxc2 gxf3 26.Rxd4 f2 27.Rf1 Bh3 28.Rdd1 Rf3 29.Bh4 Bxf1

30.Rxf1 Rh3 31.Bxf2 Rf3 32.Kd2 a5 33.Ke2 Rxb3 34.Bd4 a4 35.Rf6 Kh7 36.Rxd6 a3 37.bxa3 Rxa3 38.Rd7+ Kh6 39.Rxb7 Kg5 40.Be3+ Kg4 41.Rf7 Ra2+ 42.Bd2 g5 43.Kd3 Ra3+ 44.Bc3 Ra4 45.e5 Ra5 46.e6 1-0 (46) Littleplotkin (2836)-Cxcx83 (2706) Blitz 2025;

B2) 12.Bh6 Nc4 13.Bxc4 Rxc4 14.h5 Rxd4 15.Qxd4 Bxh6 16.hxg6 Bg7 17.gxf7+ Rxf7 18.0-0-0 Qa5 19.Kb1 Be6 20.Qe3 Rf8 21.a3 Rc8 22.Ne2 Bf7 23.Nd4 e6 24.g4 Nd7 25.f4 Qb6 26.Qd2 Nc5 27.Qh2 h6 28.g5 Nxe4 29.Nb3 h5 30.Qg2 Bg6 31.Ka2 Nf2 32.Rd2 Nxh1 33.Qxh1 Rxc2 34.Qd1 Rxd2 35.Qxd2 d5 36.Qe2 Bf5 37.Qxh5 Qc6 38.Na5 Qb5 39.Nb3 Bc2 40.Qh3 Qxb3+ 41.Qxb3 Bxb3+ 42.Kxb3 Kf7 43.Kc2 Kg6 44.a4 Kf5 45.a5 a6 46.b4 Kxf4 47.Kd3 e5 48.g6 e4+ 49.Ke2 Ke5 0-1 (49) Yuquesada (2810)-Lacsapmg (2681) Blitz 2019;

B3) 12.h5 Nxb3 13.axb3 Nxh5 14.g4 Nf6 15.Bh6 Bh8 16.0-0-0 Re8 17.Kb1 Qa5 18.Rh2 b5 19.Bg5 b4 20.Bxf6 bxc3 21.Rxh7 Bxf6 22.Qh6 cxb2 23.Kxb2 Qc3+ 24.Kb1 Bxd4 25.Rh1 Qxc2# 0-1 (25) Littleplotkin (2845)-Cxcx83 (2704) Blitz 2025;

C) 11...Ne5 12.0-0-0 *(12.h5 Nxh5 13.g4 Nf6 14.Bh6 Rxc3 15.Bxg7 Nxf3+ 16.Nxf3 Rxf3 17.Qh6 Qa5+ 18.c3 Rxc3 19.Bxf6 Rh3+ 20.Bc3 Rxh6 21.Rxh6 Qg5 22.Bd2 Qxg4 23.Kf2 Bb5 24.Re1 e6 25.Bd1 Be2 26.Bxe2 Qxe4 27.Reh1 Qd4+ 28.Ke1 Qxb2 29.Rxh7 Rc8 30.Bd3 Qe5+ 31.Kd1 Qa1+ 32.Ke2 Qe5+ 33.Be3 a5 34.R7h4 b5 35.Re4 Qb2+ 36.Kf3 d5 37.Reh4 Qf6+ 38.Rf4 Qc3 39.Ke2 Qb2+ 40.Kf3 e5 41.Rfh4 e4+ 42.Kg3 Qe5+ 43.Bf4 Qc3 44.Rh8+ Qxh8 45.Rxh8+ Kxh8 46.Bxb5 Rc3+ 47.Kg4 Ra3 48.Bc6 Rxa2 49.Bxd5 Re2 50.Bxf7 Kg7 51.Bc4 Rc2 52.Bd5 a4 53.Bxe4 Ra2 54.Kf3 Ra3+ 55.Be3 Ra2 56.Kf4 a3 57.Bd4+ Kh6 58.Bd5 Kh5 59.Ke5 Ra1 60.Bf3+ Kh4 61.Bxa1 Kg3 62.Be4 Kf2 63.Kf6 Ke3 64.Bxg6 Kd2 65.Bf7 Kc2 66.Bd4 Kb1 67.Bg6+ 1-0 (67) Swimmerchess (2818)-Vchdaukhuongduy2011 (2644) Blitz 2021)* 12...Nc4 Yes, the long forgotten ...Rc8 without ...h5 variation that back when I was learning the Dragon was one of the main three systems for Black (along with ...Qa5 and the Soltis) but is so rarely seen these days. Here we get to see a Super Computer deploy it, but assuming such a thing existed, probably not by choice! 13.Bxc4 Rxc4

C1) 14.g4 b5 15.Kb1

C1a) 15...b4 16.Nd5 e6 *(16...Nxd5 17.exd5 Qa5 18.Nb3 Qc7 19.Bh6 Rc8 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Nd4 Qc5 22.h5 g5 23.Qxg5+ Kh8 24.Qxe7 Be8 25.Qf8# 1-0 (25) Anya6 (2824)-Lavoielactee (2567) Blitz 2022)* 17.Nxf6+ Qxf6 18.b3 Rc3 19.g5 Qd8 20.Ne2 Rc6

21.Qxb4 Qc7 22.Qd2 Rc8 23.Rc1 a5 24.Bd4 e5 25.Bb2 a4 26.h5 Qa7 27.Rh2 Ra8 28.Nc3 axb3 29.cxb3 Be6 30.hxg6 fxg6 31.Qf2 Qa6 32.Qf1 Qa5 33.Rhc2 Rc7 34.Qb5 Qa7 35.Na4 Rf7 36.Qb6 Qe7 37.Rc6 Bf8 38.Qe3 Qa7 39.Qd3 Bd7 40.Rc7 Qa5 41.Qc4 Be8 42.Rxf7 Bxf7 43.Qc3 Qa6 44.Qd2 Be7 45.Nc3 Qa7 46.Rd1 Be6 47.Bc1 d5 48.exd5 Bf5+ 49.Ka1 Bb4 50.a4 Rc8 51.Bb2 Qc5 52.d6 Rd8 53.Qd5+ Qxd5 54.Rxd5 Bxd6 55.Ne4 Bc7 56.Rc5 Bb6 57.Rb5 Be3 58.Bxe5 Kf8 59.a5 Kf7 60.Nd6+ Ke6 61.Nxf5 gxf5 62.f4 Rd5 63.Rxd5 Kxd5 64.Kb2 Ba7 65.Kc3 Bc5 66.a6 Ba7 67.Kd3 Bg1 68.b4 Bf2 69.b5 Bb6 70.Bb8 Kc5 71.a7 Bxa7 72.Bxa7+ Kxb5 73.Kd4 Kb4 74.Ke5 Kc4 75.Kxf5 1-0 (75) Komodo dragon (3587)-Ethereal (3535) tcec-chess.com INT 2023;

C1b) 15...h5 16.gxh5 Nxh5 17.b3 *(17.Nce2 Qc7 18.Rhg1 Rc8 19.Bh6 Bf6 20.f4 Qc5 21.f5 Bxd4 22.Nxd4 Kh7 23.Qg5 Be8 24.fxg6+ fxg6 25.Qxe7+ Kxh6 26.Nf5+ Qxf5 27.exf5* 1-0 (27) Anya6 (2811)-Ajedrezlapalma (2637) Blitz 2022 *)* 17...Rc8 18.Nde2 Bc6 19.Rhg1 Kh7 20.Qd3 Qd7 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 Bf6 23.Nd4 b4 24.Rde1 Rc3 *(24...a5 25.f4 Rc3 26.Qe4 Bxd4 27.Bxd4 Rh3 28.Rg5 Rxh4 29.Bf2 Nf6 30.Qg2 Rh5 31.Bd4 Rxg5 32.fxg5 Nh5 33.Qe2 Qf5 34.Qxe7 Rc8 35.Re2 Qxd5 36.Bb2 Ng3 37.Rh2+ Nh5 38.Rd2 Qf5 39.Qa7 Re8 40.a4 bxa3 41.Bxa3 Re1+ 42.Ka2 a4 43.Qxa4 Qxg5 44.Qd4 Qf6 45.b4 Qe6+ 46.Kb2 g5 47.b5 Re5 48.Qd3+ Kg8 49.b6 Nf4 50.Qa6 Qf5 51.Bb4* ½-½ (51) LCZero 0.30-dag-9a9c42d_78496 (3599)-Stockfish Dev16 (3625) tcec-chess.com INT 2022*)* 25.Qe4 Rfc8 26.Re2 a5 27.Ne6 Qe8 28.Bc1 Be5 29.f4 Rg3 30.Reg2 Rxg2 31.Qxg2 Bf6 32.Ng5+ Bxg5 33.fxg5 Qb5 34.Re1 Re8 35.Bb2 Kg8 36.Qe4 Qc5 37.Qf3 Rc8 38.Rc1 Re8 39.c3 bxc3 40.Rxc3 Qb4 41.Rc4 Qe1+ 42.Kc2 Ng3 43.Bc3 Qg1 44.Bd4 Qh2+ 45.Qf2 Qh3 46.Rc3 Qf5+ 47.Qxf5 Nxf5 48.Bb6 Ra8 49.Rc4 Rb8 50.Rc6 Ra8 51.Rc4 Rb8 52.Bf2 Kf8 53.Kc3 e6 54.Ra4 Rb5 55.dxe6 fxe6 56.Kc4 Re5 57.Bb6 Ke7 58.Rxa5 d5+ 59.Kd3 Re4 60.a4 ½-½ (60) Stockfish Dev16 (3625)-LCZero 0.30-dag-9a9c42d_78496 (3599) tcec-chess.com INT 2022;

C2) 14.h5 Nxh5 *(14...Qa5 15.Nb3 Qa6 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.e5 dxe5 18.Nc5 Rxc5 19.Bxc5 Re8 20.a3 Be6*

21.Kb1 Qc6 22.Be3 a5 23.Bh6 Bh8 24.Qe3 Bf7 25.Bg5 Nd5 26.Nxd5 Bxd5 27.Rh4 Rc8 28.Qd3 Be6 29.Rdh1 Bf5 30.Qc3 Qb5 31.a4 Qd7 32.Qb3+ Be6 33.Qb5 h5 34.Qxd7 Bxd7 35.g4 Bc6 36.gxh5 Bxf3 37.hxg6 Bxh1 38.Rxh1 Bf6 39.Bd2 Rc4 40.b3 Rg4 41.Bxa5 Rxg6 42.Rd1 Kf7 43.Rd7 e4 44.Ka2 Rg1 45.b4 Rg2 46.Kb3 e3 47.b5 e2 48.Rxb7 Rg1 49.Rd7 Rb1+ 50.Kc4 e1Q 51.Bxe1 Rxe1 52.a5 Re4+ 53.Kd3 Re5 54.c4 Rxb5 55.Rd5 Rb3+ 56.Kc2 Rc3+ 57.Kd2 Rxc4 58.Rb5 Ra4 0-1 (58) Swimmerchess (2840)-Heynersan Choconta (2619) Blitz 2022*; 14...b5 15.g4 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Qa5 18.Kb1 Rfc8 19.hxg6 fxg6 20.Qh2 h6 21.Rd2 g5 22.Bxg5 hxg5 23.Qh7+ Kf8 24.Nf5 Bxf5 25.Qxf5+ Kg8 26.Qe6+ Kf8 27.Rdh2 Rf4 28.Rh8+ Bxh8 29.Rxh8+ Kg7 30.Rxc8 Rf7 31.Rh8 Kxh8 32.Qxf7 b3 33.Qf8+ Kh7 34.Qxe7+ Kh8 35.Qf6+ Kh7 36.Qe7+ Kh8 37.axb3 Qxd5 38.Qe8+ Kg7 39.Qe7+ Kh8 40.Qe4 Qd1+ 41.Ka2 Qd2 42.c3 Qc1 43.Qd4+ Kg8 44.Qxa7 Qf4 45.Qb8+ Kg7 46.Qb7+ Kh8 47.Qe4 Qf8 48.Qd4+ Kg8 49.Qd5+ Kh8 50.Qxg5 Qa8+ 51.Kb1 Qxf3 52.Qh6+ Kg8 53.Qxd6 Qh1+ 54.Kc2 Qa8 55.Qd3 Qg2+ 56.Qd2 Qe4+ 57.Qd3 Qg2+ 58.Kb1 Qh1+ 59.Kc2 Qg2+ ½-½ (59) Sillymaster (2809)-Daubon (2761) Blitz 2022)* 15.g4 Nf6

C2a) To those unfamiliar with this system, back in the old, old days, there were plenty of games with 16.Bh6 (as White continues with the simple plan of wanting to deliver mate down the h-file) Nxe4 17.Qe3 Rxc3 18.bxc3 Nf6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 and upon 20.Qh6+ , the response Kh8 to facilitate a defensive ...Rg8-g7 manoeuvre. The often now termed 'Karpovian' text kills two birds with one stone as the central knight is withdrawn from the firing line to offer support to its compatriot on c3 so as to dissuade the thematic exchange sac there.;

C2b) White has plenty of options available with seemingly another engineered (in terms of opening variation being pre-determined) hot off the press encounter highlighting one of the popular ones: 16.Kb1 Re8 (prophylaxis!) 17.b3 Rc8 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.exd5 e5 20.dxe6 fxe6 21.Qh2 Qf6 22.a4 *(Go figure! After 22.Qxh7+ Kf7* Black is threatening the queen trapping ...Rh8 and *23.g5 Qe5 24.Rh6 Qxe3 25.Rxg6 Rg8* looks dangerous but was evidently rejected!*)* 22...g5 23.Qxh7+ Kf7 24.Qh5+ Qg6 25.Bxg5 Rh8 26.Qxg6+ Kxg6 27.Rxh8 Rxh8 and with the bishop pair as compensation for the exchange, Black

managed to grovel for a draw in the endgame in Ethereal 14. 24 (3535)-KomodoDragon 3.2 (3587) tcec-chess.com INT 2023. 28.Bc1 Rh3 29.Ne2 Rxf3 30.Rxd6 Bc6 31.Nf4+ Kf7 32.Nxe6 Bf6 33.Ng5+ Bxg5 34.Bxg5 Rg3 35.Rf6+ Ke8 36.Rf4 Bf3 37.Bh4 Rxg4 38.Rxf3 Rxh4 39.Rd3 Rh5 40.Ka1 b6 41.Ka2 Rh2 42.Kb2 Rh5 43.Rd4 Ke7 44.Kc1 a6 45.Rd2 a5 46.Rd3 Rg5 47.Kb1 Rg1+ 48.Kb2 Rh1 49.Kc3 Rh4 50.Kb2 Rh2 51.Kc3 Rh4 52.Rd5 Rf4 53.Rd2 Rf5 54.Rd3 Rg5 55.Rd1 Rc5+ 56.Kb2 Re5 57.Ka2 Rc5 58.Kb1 Re5 59.Rd2 ½-½ (59) Ethereal (3535)-Komododragon (3587) tcec-chess.com INT 2023;

C2c) 16.Nde2 Qa5 *(* As I've pointed out in the past(well in my opinion but also in terms of results), best for Black is almost certainly *16...Re8!?* over-protecting e7 but enabling Bh6 to be met by ...Bh8 preserving the Dragon bishop without having to sacrifice the exchange.*; 16...b5 17.Bh6 Bh8 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.g5 Nh5 20.Nd5 Be6 21.Kb1 Bxd5 22.Qxd5 Rc5 23.Qd2 Qg7 24.c3 Qe5 25.f4 Qxe4+ 26.Ka1 b4 27.Rhe1 bxc3 28.Nxc3 Qb7 29.Rc1 Ng3 30.Na4 Rxc1+ 31.Rxc1 h5 32.gxh6 Nf5 33.h7+ Kxh7 34.Qh2+ Kg8 35.Qe2 Bf6 36.Qc4 Kg7 37.Qc8 Qb4 38.Rh1 Nh4 39.Nc3 Qxf4 40.Qc6 e6 41.Rd1 d5 42.Qc5 Nf5 43.Qxa7 Nd4 44.Qa4 Qf3 45.a3 Ne2 46.Nxe2 Qxe2 47.Qb3 g5 48.a4 g4 49.a5 Be5 50.Ka2 g3 51.Rd3 g2 52.Rg3+ Bxg3 53.Qxg3+ Kf6 54.Qf4+ Ke7 55.Qc7+ Kf6 56.Qf4+ Kg6 57.Qg3+ Kf5 58.Qh3+ Ke4 59.Qh4+ Ke5 60.Qg3+ Kd4 61.Qf4+ Kc5 62.Qc7+ Kd4 63.Qf4+ Kd3 64.Qg3+ Qe3 65.Qxg2 Kd4* 0-1 (65) Swimmerchess (2834)-Theredking89 (2782) Blitz 2021 *)* Of course in the early days one can see why it would be difficult to justify a little time-out when a more dynamic move such as the text (swinging the queen out to action) was available. 17.Bh6

C2c1) This month (of February 2024) also saw 17...Rfc8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Qh6+ Kg8 20.Rd3 (seriously bolstering that knight on c3!) Be6 *(* A historic moment in the Dragon being the famous World Championship game *20...R4c5 21.g5 Rxg5 22.Rd5 Rxd5 23.Nxd5 Re8 24.Nef4 Bc6 25.e5 Bxd5 26.exf6 exf6 27.Qxh7+ Kf8 28.Qh8+* 1-0 (27) Karpov,A-Kortschnoj,V Moscow 1974 *)* 21.a3 *(21.g5 Nh5 22.Nf4 Qe5 23.Nxh5 gxh5 24.Rxh5 Qg7* is unpleasant but at least avoids getting mated. What follows now

though is difficult to get ones head around!) 21...R4c5 22.Kd2 (okay White wants to get in b2-b4 without allowing the a3-pawn to drop but who saw that coming?) Rc4 23.g5 Nh5 24.Nf4 Qe5 25.Nxh5 gxh5 26.Rxh5 Qg7 27.Ke3 Yes with the king already nicely centralised on e3, White gets a better version of the aforementioned endgame which was now converted into a win in Stockfish dev-20231010-002636 (3673)-LCZero 0.31-dag-e429eeb-BT3-2 (3642) tcec-chess.com INT 2023.;

C2c2) 17...Bh8 I was interested to investigate this game though as I myself considered playing this system way back, with the idea of utilising this move. Many years on, how would a super computer fare? 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 I recall on a few occasions at my stints commentating on the Hastings Chess congress discussing the alleged assertion of Tarrasch that 'the bishop pair is as good as a rook and a knight'. Since those days I notice that in recent times people have been trialling various flat positions (pitting engine against engine!) with those scenarios and also with the bishops having an extra pawn to boot. Interestingly the computer generally does well with the 'extra material' compared to the practical play edge that humans might have with the diagonal dominance. This position provides another excellent example. My view was always that over the board Black would have reasonable compensation with the bishop pair and a pawn for the rook and the knight. The engine assessment is just as the maths states you are about (5+3)-(3+3+1)=1pt down!

C2c21) 19.Kb1 Bg7 *(19...Qb6?* aiming for some ...Bxg4 and ...Nxe4 style tactics, sadly walked into *20.e5! dxe5 21.g5* in Bauer,T (2220)-Czegledi,Z (2225) Budapest 1986*)* 20.Nd5 Qxd2 21.Rxd2 Nxd5 22.Rxd5 Kg8 saw the imbalance continued in an endgame via a different route with 23.b3 Rc7 24.c4 Be6 25.Rd2 a6 26.Nf4 seeing White go on to win in Jahr,U (2230)-Bjerring,K (2325) Copenhagen 1981;

C2c22) 19.Qe3 Bc6 *(* Escaping the just highlighted e4-e5 trick. Instead *19...Qc5 20.Qxc5 Rxc5 21.Nd5*

Nxd5 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.exd5 Bb5 24.Kd2 Bc4 25.b3 Bxd5 26.Rxh7 Bf6 would continue with our debated scenario with amusingly one engine giving White a 1.00 advantage. So much for newfangled elaborate material count systems!*)* 20.Kb1 Qc5 21.Qd3 *(* Intriguingly rejecting the not dissimilar to the above *21.Qxc5 Rxc5* but where *22.Nf4 Bg7 23.Ncd5 Nxd5 24.Nxd5 h6* would see Black favourably preserving his rook. *)* 21...Kg8 Over-protecting the h-pawn so as to deal with White's threat explained below.

C2c221) As opposed to before, now Black could meet 22.e5 with Ne8! *(* and not *22...dxe5 23.b3 Rb4 24.Qd8+ Ne8 25.Nd5!* with problems! *)*;

C2c222) 22.Nc1 The text sets up Nb3 embarrassing Black's major pieces. Hence the further imbalance precipitated. 22...Rxc3 *(22...Rb4 23.Nb3 Qe5* would be the alternative approach. The queens remain but the black rook is a little awkwardly placed.*)* 23.Qxc3 *(* After *23.bxc3?! Nd7* despite the material advantage, the white king would be right to feel nervous. Getting the queens off is somewhat more prudent! *)* 23...Nxe4 It's all very visual... 24.Qxc5 But ultimately we're liquidating. Nxc5 And now the imbalance is two bishops and two pawns for two rooks. Black has pressure against f3 here but I can already envisage future flat position simulations being played out! 25.Rhf1 Kf8 *(* Rather than being an extra strong passed pawn, up to now Black's h-pawn has been a liability. Okay perhaps that's a bit harsh but certainly Black has been having to defend it. With that in mind, assuming it won't imminently drop, I would imagine the automatic human approach might be *25...h5 26.gxh5 gxh5* with a future ...Bf6 protecting it on h4.*)* 26.Ne2 Bb5 *(* And likewise here I would certainly be tempted by *26...Ne6*

limiting White's knight rather than the hokey cokey that now follows.) 27.Rfe1 Bc6 28.Nd4 Because Black is now obliged to part with one of his pair... Bxd4 29.Rxd4 Bxf3 Albeit bagging a third pawn. Now it's 3+3+1+1+1 Vs 5+5, The engine agrees it's about a 1 pt advantage but the problem is that the rooks are going to find their way into Black's position with the knight being nowhere near as good as a bishop. 30.b4 Nd7 *(30...Ne6?? being impossible because of 31.Rxe6 fxe6 32.Rf4+)* 31.g5 Admittedly this is annoying too, preventing Black achieving the majority that it would have preferred. f6 *(31...Bc6)* 32.Rf4 Bc6 33.c4 a6 A clear threat was b4-b5. 34.Kc2 e5 *(34...f5 35.Rh4 Be4+ 36.Kc3 Ne5 37.Rxh7 Nf3 38.Rh8+ Kf7 39.Rxe4 fxe4 40.Rb8)* 35.Rh4 Kg7 36.gxf6+ Nxf6 37.b5 axb5 38.cxb5 Bxb5 It's all fascinating stuff though. Standard engines have Black not far off equality but the heavy hitters conclude that retaining the one pawn (and not for long!) is adequate for the full point. 39.Rd1 Kf7 *(39...d5 40.Rb4 Bc6 41.Rdb1* and the plan is to take on b7 and have the a-pawn win the day.*)* 40.a4 Bd7 41.Rxd6 Ke7 42.Rd3 b6 43.Rb4 Bc6 44.Rxb6 Bxa4+ Yep this really is one for the purists and this hasn't really changed my overall assessment. Do play over the rest of the game but right from the initial exchange offering I feel that as Black a human is likely to have a much better chance against another human than the engine would in a computer tussle. Case in point! 45.Kd2 Be8 46.Rb7+ Ke6 47.Rf3 Nd7 48.Ra7 Kd6 49.Ke1 Ke6 50.Kf2 h6 51.Ke1 Nc5 52.Rf8 Bb5 53.Rb8 Bc6 54.Rc8 Nd3+ 55.Kd2 Nb4 56.Rg8 Kf5 57.Rb8 Nd5 58.Rc8 Nb4 59.Kc3 Nd5+ 60.Kb3 Bb7 61.Rxb7 Nf4 62.Rf7+ Ke4 63.Rc4+ Kd5

64.Rcxf4 exf4 1-0 (64) LCZero 0.31-dag-e429eeb-BT3-2 (3642)-Stockfish Dev (3673) tcec-chess.com INT 2023 The Week in Chess 1530 [Chris Ward]]

[10...Rb8 11.h5 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 b5 13.Bb3 e6 14.hxg6 hxg6 15.Qg5 a5 16.Qh4 Re8 17.a3 b4 18.axb4 Rxb4 19.Be3 d5 20.Bh6 Nh5 21.Qxd8 Rxd8 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.exd5 Ng3 24.Rg1 a4 25.Nxa4 exd5 26.Kf2 Nf5 27.Nc5 Be6 28.Ra7 Kf6 29.g4 Nd4 30.g5+ Kf5 31.c3 Rxb3 32.cxd4 Rxb2+ 33.Ke3 Re8 34.Nd3 Rb3 35.Kd2 Rh8 36.Kc2 Rbb8 37.Rg4 Rh3 38.Ne5 Rxf3 39.Nxf3 Kxg4 40.Ra3 Kf4 41.Kd2 Rb2+ 42.Kc3 Rg2 43.Ne5 Rxg5 44.Kb4 Ke4 45.Kc5 Rxe5 46.dxe5 g5 47.Ra1 g4 48.Re1+ Kf3 49.Kd4 g3 0-1 (49) Greenlight123 (2813)-Merci Mon Ami (2868) Blitz 2023]

11.0-0-0

[11.g4 hxg4 12.h5 Nxh5 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Bh6 Qa5 15.0-0-0 g3 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.f4 Rab8 18.e5 d5 19.Bb3 Qb6 20.Rdf1 Bf5 21.Ne2 c5 22.Rxh5 gxh5 23.Nxg3 Bg4 24.f5 Qh6 25.Rf4 c4 26.Ba4 f6 27.e6 a5 28.b3 cxb3 29.axb3 Rb4 30.c4 dxc4 31.Kb2 c3+ 0-1 (31) Nevaljahka (2903)-Sanjaypune (2625) Blitz 2023]

11...Ne5 12.Bb3 Rc8 13.Kb1

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42.Kd3 Bxb2 43.Ke4 Be5 44.a4 Kf6 45.Bc6 Kg5 46.Kf3 Kf5 47.Bd7+ Kf6 48.Ke4 Bb2 49.Kxf4 Ke7 50.Bb5 Kd8 51.Ke4 Kc7 52.Kd5 Ba3 53.Ba6 Bc5 54.Bb5 Kb7 55.Bc6+ Ka6 56.Bb5+ Ka5 57.Kc6 a6 58.Kd5 axb5 59.axb5 Kb4 60.Ke4 Kxc4 61.Kf3 Kb4 62.Kg2 Kxb5 63.Kh1 Kc4 0-1 (63) Arthurphilipdent (2817)-Mikasinski (2724) Blitz 2021*)* 15.g4 a5 16.gxh5 a4 17.h6 Bh8 18.h7+ Nxh7 19.Bd5 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Nde2 Nxg5 22.hxg5 Bg7 23.Qf4 b4 24.Nd5 Be6 25.Qh4 Re8 26.Nef4 Bxd5 27.Nxd5 Kf8 28.Rd2 Qc8 29.Rdh2 e6 30.Qh8+ 1-0 (30) Swimmerchess (2823)-Theredking89 (2792) Blitz 2021]

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13...Nc4

[13...Re8 14.g4 *(14.Bg5 Qa5 15.Bxf6 exf6 16.Nd5 Qc5 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Rhe1 Bg4 20.Nf3 f5 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8 23.Nc3 Bxc3 24.Qxc3 Qxf4 25.a3 Rc8 26.Qd4 Bxc2+ 27.Ka1 Qg4 28.Rc1 Bb3 29.Re1 Qxg2 30.Ng5 Qc2 31.Qf4 Bd5 32.Rf1 Qb3* 0-1 (32) Zhy627 (2871)-Lu,S (2895) Blitz 2021*)* 14...hxg4 15.h5 Nxh5 16.Bh6 *(16.Rdg1 e6 17.fxg4 Nf6 18.Bg5 Qb6 19.Nde2 Nf3 20.Qf4 Nxg5 21.Qxg5 Qc5 22.Qh4 b5 23.g5 Nh5 24.Ng3 Nxg3 25.Rxg3 a5 26.Rf3 Kf8 27.Rhf1 Re7 28.e5 Qxe5 29.Qh7 Qxg5 30.Ne4 Qe5 31.Nf6* 1-0 (31) Nozdrachev,V (2847)-Flysoohigh (2577) Blitz 2024*)* 16...Kh7 *(16...Rc5 17.Rdg1 Nxf3 18.Nxf3 gxf3 19.Rxg6 Be6 20.Rxg7+ Nxg7 21.Bxg7* 1-0 (21) Silence404 (2886)-Sanjaypune (2611) Blitz 2024*; 16...e6 17.Rdg1 Qf6 18.fxg4 Bxh6 19.Qxh6 Nf4 20.Rf1 Nxg4 21.Qxf4 Qxf4*

22.Rxf4 e5 23.Rxf7 1-0 (23) Solitarylife (2812)-Percasisumut (2613) Blitz 2023*)* 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.fxg4 Bxg4 19.Nf5+ Bxf5 20.exf5 Rh8 21.fxg6 Nxg6 22.Nd5 *(22.Qd5 e6 23.Qd4+ Qf6 24.Qxa7 Ng3 25.Rxh8 Rxh8 26.Qxb7 d5 27.a4 Qf4 28.Qb6 Nf5 29.Nb5 Qe3 30.Qc7 Qe5 31.Qd7 Qe2 32.Rc1 Kf6 33.Qb7 Qe5 34.Ka2 Qf4 35.Rd1 Nge7 36.Qa6 Ne3 37.Ra1 N7f5 38.Rc1 Qb4 39.Qc6 Qd2 40.Ra1 Rh2 41.Na3 Rh8 42.Qb6 Qd4 43.Qc6 Qd2 44.Qb6* ½-½ (44) Lczero D Tilps Dje Magi (3586)-Stockfish (3601) tcec-chess.com INT 2021*)* 22...Nf6 23.Rxh8 Qxh8 24.Qg2 Qd8 25.Nf4 Qe8 26.Rg1 Qc6 27.Ne6+ Kg8 28.Qg3 d5 29.Nf4 Qd6 30.Qh3 Rd8 31.Qh6 Qb6 32.Rg5 Qf2 33.a3 Qe1+ 34.Ka2 Qe4 35.c3 Rd6 36.Nxg6 fxg6 37.Rxg6+ Kf7 38.Rg1 Ke8 39.Qh8+ Kd7 40.Qb8 Kc6 41.Qxa7 Kc7 42.Rg7 Qe6 43.Rg5 Rd8 44.Qa5+ Qb6 45.Qxb6+ Kxb6 46.Re5 Rd7 47.Bc2 d4 48.cxd4 Rxd4 49.Rxe7 Nd5 50.Re1 Ka7 51.Kb3 Rg4 52.Re5 Rg3+ 53.Ka2 Rg2 54.Bh7 ½-½ (54) Stockfish (3601)-Lczero D Tilps Dje Magi (3586) tcec-chess.com INT 2021]

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14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.Nb3 Chris Ward: 'When annotating the soon referred to Karjakin-Nielsen encounter for the site back in 2011, Gawain observed that this is 'The second most common move and played a fair bit in the early days of this variation but none of the elite have tried it previously'. Nine years on and that remains the case, still with none of the elite having tried it. Mind you that is of course the elite of the breathing, walking and talking variety and possibly not such a valid claim if you were to include in that elite bracket Monsters of the 3729 rated variety! When annotating the soon referred to Karjakin-Nielsen encounter for the site back in 2011, Gawain observed that this is 'The second most common move and played a fair bit in the early days of this variation but none of the elite have tried it previously'. Nine years on and that remains the case, still with none of the elite having tried it. Mind you that is of course the elite of the breathing, walking and talking variety and possibly not such a valid claim if you were to include in that elite bracket Monsters of the 3729 rated variety! [%draw arrow,e4,e5] [%draw full,a7] When annotating the soon referred to Karjakin-Nielsen encounter for the site back in 2011, Gawain observed that this is 'The second most common move and played a fair bit in the early days of this variation but none of the elite have tried it previously'. Nine years on and that remains the case, still with none of the elite having tried it. Mind you that is of course the elite of the breathing, walking and talking variety and possibly not such a valid

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[Chris Ward: 'Regulars will recognise' 15.g4 Chris Ward: 's the direct approach and' hxg4 *(15...Be6 16.gxh5 Nxh5 17.Rhg1 a6 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.Rxg6 Kh7 20.Rg5 Nf6 21.Rdg1 Bh8 22.Qd3* 1-0 (22) Chessiando (2817)-Skyhigh2023 (2569) Blitz 2023*)* 16.h5 Nxh5 17.Rdg1 *(17.fxg4 Bxg4 18.Rdg1 Qd7 19.Nd5 e5 20.Nb3 Rxe4 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.Nc5 dxc5 23.Nf6+ Bxf6 24.Qxd7 Rxe3 25.Qf5 Bg7 26.Qg5 Rf3 27.a3 Rf5 28.Qh4 e4 29.Qe7 Re5 30.Qxb7 e3 31.Re1 e2 32.Qxa7 Rd8 33.Qa5 Rd1+ 34.Ka2 Rxe1 35.Qxe1 Rd5* 0-1 (35) Mrdalica (2811)-Rfelgaer (2706) Blitz 2023*)* 17...Qc8 18.Nd5 Re8 19.b3 Rc5 20.fxg4 Bxg4 21.Rh4 Rxd5 22.exd5 Nf6 23.Bh6 Bh5 24.Qg5 Nh7 25.Qxh5 gxh5 26.Bxg7 Nf8 27.Bxf8+ Kxf8 28.Rxh5 e5 29.Nf5 1-0 (29) Chessiando (2826)-Econpower (2713) Blitz 2023]

[15.Nde2 Chris Ward: 'as the more popular solid alternative.']

[15.Rhe1 Re8 *(15...Qb8 16.Nde2 b5 17.Bh6 Rfc8 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.Rc1 a5 20.b3 R4c5 21.Nd5 Nxd5 22.exd5 b4 23.g4 hxg4 24.fxg4 Rh8 25.h5 e5 26.dxe6 Bxe6 27.hxg6 Re5 28.Nf4* 1-0 (28) Molt7N (2824)-Quick Mate (2693) Blitz 2022*)* 16.Nb3 Qc7 17.Bd4 Be6 18.Qe3 b6 19.e5 dxe5 20.Bxe5 Qc8 21.a3 Bd7 22.Re2 Kh7 23.Nd2 Rc5 24.Bxf6 Bxf6 25.Nde4 Re5 26.Qd4 Bc6 27.Nxf6+ exf6 28.Red2 Kg7 29.b3 Qc7 30.Kb2 R5e6 31.Rd3 Qh2 32.R1d2 R8e7 33.Qc4 Re8 34.a4 Qg3 35.Rd4 Qh2 36.f4 Bxg2 37.Nb5 Re3 38.Rd7 R8e7 39.Qc7 Rxd7 40.Rxd7 Kg8 41.Rd8+ Kg7 42.Qc8 Rxb3+ 43.Ka2 Ra3+ 44.Nxa3 Bd5+ 45.Kb2 Be6 46.Rg8+ Kh7 47.Rh8+ Kg7 48.Qg8# 1-0 (48) Reinforcementtrial (2873)-Misteick (2458) Rapid 2023]

[15.Qd3 Rc8 16.Rdg1 Qa5 17.Bd2 Qc5 18.Be3 Qa5 19.Bd2 Qc5 20.Be3 Qa5 ½-½ (20) Zhy627 (2860)-Daubon (2762) Blitz 2022]

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Chris Ward: 'winning material.']
[Chris Ward: 'The original and still most common continuation here is' 15...Qc7 16.Bd4 Chris Ward: 'with Black dreaming of trebling and thus generating strong play along the c-file but White seeking opportune moments to park his knight on d5 and/or break with g2-g4. Our last annotation on this position though came with with Black dreaming of trebling and thus generating strong play along the c-file but White seeking opportune moments to park his knight on d5 and/or break with g2-g4. Our last annotation on this position though came with with Black dreaming of trebling and thus generating strong play along the c-file but White seeking opportune moments to park his knight on d5 and/or break with g2-g4. Our last annotation on this position though came with' *(16.Bh6 b5 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.g4 hxg4 19.h5 gxf3 20.hxg6 fxg6 21.Qh6+ Kf7 22.Nd5 Nxd5 23.Qh7+ Ke8 24.Qxg6+ Kd8 25.Qg7 Re8 26.Rxd5 Rxc2 27.Qd4 f2 28.Nd2 Rf8 29.Qd3 Rxd2* 0-1 (29) BIZOO (2837)-Tashkent Tashkent (2883) Rapid 2022 *)*]
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16.Bd4

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19...dxe5 20.Bxe5 Qxd2 21.Rxd2 Chris Ward: '[%draw arrow,b3,c5]'

21...Rcc8

[Chris Ward: 'Not now' 21...Rec8 Chris Ward: '?' Chris Ward: 'because of' 22.Na5 Chris Ward: 'either winning the b7-pawn or in the case of either winning the b7-pawn or in the case of either winning the b7-pawn or in the case of' Rxh4 23.Bg3 Chris Ward: ', the exchange.']

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22.Nd4 Red8 Chris Ward: 'Pinning the knight to maintain the bishop pair.'

23.Rdd1 Bd7 Chris Ward: 'Still those two bishops on an open board are the advantage Black has. White is compact and centralised though so the position is about equal. Still those two bishops on an open board are the advantage Black has. White is compact and centralised though so the position is about equal. Still those two bishops on an open board are the advantage

Black has. White is compact and centralised though so the position is about equal.' 24.Nb3 b6 25.Bf4 Kf8 Chris Ward: 'Guarding e7 and centralising the king, I'd take Black for preference but with two mighty accurate engines involved I think we know what result we're headed for! Guarding e7 and centralising the king, I'd take Black for preference but with two mighty accurate engines involved I think we know what result we're headed for! Guarding e7 and centralising the king, I'd take Black for preference but with two mighty accurate engines involved I think we know what result we're headed for!' 26.Nd4 Rc5 27.Nde2 Rdc8 28.Rd2 Bf5 29.Be3 R5c7 30.Nd4 Bd7 Chris Ward: 'Computers have no shame in going all around the houses, certainly be prepared to go the distance. Computers have no shame in going all around the houses, certainly be prepared to go the distance. Computers have no shame in going all around the houses, certainly be prepared to go the distance.' 31.Ndb5 Chris Ward: 'But for Black it's seemingly a matter of pride(!) as he would rather concede one of his bishops than allow the plausible repetition via' Chris Ward: 'But for Black it's seemingly a matter of pride(!) as he would rather concede one of his bishops than allow the plausible repetition via But for Black it's seemingly a matter of pride(!) as he would rather concede one of his bishops than allow the plausible repetition via' 31...Rb7 32.Red1 Ke8 33.Re1 Bxb5

[33...Kf8 34.Red1 Ke8 35.Re1]

34.Nxb5 a6 35.Nc3 Rd7 36.Red1 Rxd2 37.Rxd2 Chris Ward: 'Still arguably there's an absolutely miniscule edge for Black in this endgame but it's nowhere near enough to help take the full point. Still arguably there's an absolutely miniscule edge for Black in this endgame but it's nowhere near enough to help take the full point. Still arguably there's an absolutely miniscule edge for Black in this endgame but it's nowhere near enough to help take the full point.' 37...Rc6 38.Bd4 e6 39.Rd3 Ke7 40.Na4 b5 41.Nc5 Ne8 42.Bf2 Nd6 43.a4 Nc4 44.c3 Ke8 45.axb5

[Chris Ward: 'Black's last move facilitated the possibility of Black's last move facilitated the possibility of Black's last move facilitated the possibility of' 45.Rd7 Chris Ward: '??' Rxc5 Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'so not that and the game goes on! so not that and the game goes on! so not that and the game goes on!']

45...axb5 46.Rd1 Bh6 47.Nd3 Rc8 48.Kc2 Be3 49.Re1 Bxf2 50.Nxf2 b4 51.Ne4

[Chris Ward: 'Correctly not allowing Black to mix things up through' 51.cxb4 Chris Ward: '?!' Ne3+ 52.Kb3 Nxg2]

51...bxc3 52.bxc3 Ke7 53.Kd3 Nb2+ 54.Kc2 Nc4 55.Kd3 Nb2+ 56.Kc2 Nc4 ½-½ (56) Gilbert,F (3729)-N,N (3661) India 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik,Z] Chris Ward: 'Fair enough!'

9...a6 Chris Ward: 'And these Super computer theme matches are

just the gift that keep on giving. Yes not' 10.0-0-0

[10.h4

A) 10...h5 11.0-0-0 Bd7 12.g4 *(12.Bb3 b5 13.g4 e6 14.Kb1 b4 15.Nce2 a5 16.gxh5 Nxh5 17.Nxc6 Bxc6 18.Qxd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 Bb5 20.Nd4 Bxd4 21.Rxd4 Rfd8 22.c4 bxc3 23.bxc3 a4 24.Bc2 Rdc8 25.Rb4 Be8 26.Bd4 f6 27.e5 f5 28.a3 Rab8 29.Ka1 Ng3 30.Rh2 Rxb4 31.axb4 Bb5 32.Rg2 Ne2 33.Rxg6+ Kf7 34.Rf6+ Ke7 35.Bc5+ Kd7 36.c4 Bc6 37.Rf7+ Ke8 38.Rf8+ Kd7 39.Rxc8 Kxc8 40.h5 Nf4 41.h6 Bxf3 42.h7 Ng6 43.Bxa4 Be2 44.Be8 Nh8 45.Be7 f4 46.Bf6 Bxc4 47.Bxh8 f3 48.Bc6 f2 49.Bg2 Bd3 50.Bf6 Bxh7 51.Bh4 Be4 52.Bh3 Kd7 53.Bxf2 Kc6 54.Kb2 Kb5 55.Kc3 Bd5 56.Bf1+ Kc6 57.Bc4 Be4 58.Bxe6 Bf3 59.Bc4 Bg2 60.b5+ Kb7 61.e6 Bf3 62.Bc5 Bh5 63.e7 Be8 64.Kb4 Kc7 65.Bd5 Kc8 66.Bc6 Bxc6 67.bxc6 Kc7 68.Kb5* 1-0 (68) Nindja64 (2825)-Masterof64 (2735) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Rc8 13.Bb3 b5 14.Kb1 *(14.gxh5 Nxh5 15.Rhg1 Qc7 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Kb1 Nxd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Kh7 20.Rg5 Be6 21.Rdg1 Rg8 22.f4 f6 23.R5g2 Bxd5 24.Bxd5 Nxf4 25.Bxg8+ Qxg8 26.Rd2 Qe6 27.Qe3 Nh5 28.b3 a5 29.Qf3 Qe5 30.Rd5 Qe6 31.Rxh5+ Kg7 32.Rxb5* 1-0 (32) Nindja64 (2815)-Masterof64 (2744) Blitz 2022*)* 14...Na5 15.Nd5 *(15.gxh5 Nxh5 16.f4 Nxb3 17.axb3 e6 18.f5 exf5 19.exf5 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 Bxf5 21.Qh6 f6 22.Rhg1 Kf7 23.Qh7+ Ng7 24.Qh6 b4 25.Rdf1 Rh8 26.Qe3 bxc3 27.Bxc3 d5 28.Qa7+ Qc7 29.Qxa6 d4 30.Bxd4 Qxc2+ 31.Ka1 Ra8* 0-1 (31) Ernst Gruenfeld (2826)-Isroil Prosta Igrokk (2791) Blitz 2021*)* 15...e5 16.Bg5 exd4 17.gxh5 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Qg2 Rc5 20.h6 Rxd5 21.hxg7 Kxg7 22.exd5 Bf5 23.h5 Re8 24.Qf2 d3 25.cxd3 Re5 26.Ka1 Rxd5 27.hxg6 Bxd3 28.Qh4 fxg6 29.Bxf6+ Kf7 30.Bxd8 g5 31.Qh8 Re5 32.Rxd3 Re7 33.Rh7+ Ke6 34.Rxe7+ Kf5 35.Rf7+ Kg6 36.Rf6# 1-0 (36) Buletten Karl (3016)-Aks Mantissa (2733) Blitz 2024;

B) 10...Na5 11.Bd3 e5 12.Nde2 Be6 13.h5 Rc8 14.Bh6 b5 15.g4 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Bxc4 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.a3 a5 19.Ng3 Kg8 20.Qg5 Be6 21.Rh2 b4 22.axb4 axb4 23.Nd1 Ne8 24.Qxd8 Rxd8 25.Ne3 Nc7 26.Rd2 Kg7 27.Ra5 Ra8 28.Rxa8 Rxa8 29.Rxd6 Nb5 30.Rb6 Nd4 31.Kf2 Rc8 32.Rxb4 Nxc2 33.Rb6 Nd4 34.hxg6 hxg6 35.Ne2 Kh6 36.Nxd4 exd4 37.Nf1 Rc2+ 38.Kg3 g5 39.Rd6 Rc4 40.Kh3 ½-½ (40) Rubichess (3508)-Stockfish dev-20230903-b25d68 (3666) tcec-chess.com INT 2023]

10...Bd7

[10...Nxd4 11.Bxd4 b5

A) As an update to my original annotation of this rare line here on ChessPublishing in 2007 the alternative 12.Bd5 12...Nxd5 has scored 50% in practice although I wouldn't necessarily read too much into that. Indeed after 13 Bxg7 Kxg7 14 exd5 I would suggest that White

has the edge as his well placed knight will be a bit better than Black's light-squared bishop. However I am intrigued by the 14 years on and still unplayed Rb8!? that would fare particularly well following 13.Ba7 Nxd5 *(13...b4!? 14.Ne2 Rb5* is surely worth a go too! *)* 14.Bxb8? *(*Hence *14.Nxd5 Rb7* but at least Black traded on d5 on his own terms.*)* 14...Nxc3 15.bxc3 Qb6;

B) 12.Bb3

B1) 12...b4 13.Nd5 Nxd5

B1a) 14.Bxd5 Rb8 15.h4 h6 *(*The problem with *15...Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qb6?!* is *17.Qd2!* The queens don't come off and the h-file assault remains very much on the menu!*)* feels like White should be for preference but at least 16.h5 g5 keeps the white major pieces at bay.;

B1b) 14.exd5 Bxd4 *(14...a5 15.h4 h5 16.g4 Qc7 17.Ba4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Bd7 19.Bxd7 Qxd7 20.Rh2 Rac8 21.gxh5 Qf5 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Rg1 Kh7 24.h5 g5 25.Rhg2 Rc5 26.Qe3 Qf4 27.Qxf4 Rxf4 28.Rxg5 Rxf3 29.Rg7+ Kh8 30.Rg8+ Kh7 31.R1g7+ Kh6 32.Rg6+ Kh7 33.R8g7+ Kh8 34.Rg8+ Kh7 35.R8g7+ Kh8 36.Rxe7 Rf1+ 37.Kd2 Rxd5+ 38.Ke2 Rb1 39.Rh6+ Kg8 40.Rc7 Rxb2 41.Rg6+ Kh8 42.Rh6+ Kg8 43.Rg6+ Kh8 44.Rf6 Rg5 45.Ke3 Rb1 46.Rxd6 Rh1 47.Rh6+ Kg8 48.Ra6 Re1+ 49.Kd2 Re8 50.Kc1 Rxh5 51.Raa7 Rg5 52.Ra6* ½-½ (52) Berserk Dev10 (3509)-Stockfish Dev16 (3611) tcec-chess.com INT 2022 *)* 15.Qxd4 a5 White has a thorn pawn on d5 binding down on the c6-square and facilitating e-file activity against Black's e7-pawn. On the other hand White's light-squared bishop is obstructed and Black's last move signals intent to hassle that same piece. 16.h4 I can see nothing better for White than going for it but to be fair it's rare that I find improvements on the play of the 3623 rateds! a4 *(* Obvious alternatives include *16...f6* intending to meet *17.h5* with *g5* and 16...Qc7 possibly looking to switch to a7 or c5 to offer a queen trade. Instead Black opts to go with the flow! *18.Rhe1 Rf7 19.Re3 Qc7 20.Ba4 Bd7 21.Bxd7 Qxd7 22.h6 Rc8 23.Kb1 Qf5 24.Re4 Rc5 25.b3 Qc8 26.Qd3 Qf8 27.Qe3 Rc3 28.Qa7 Rc5 29.Re6 Qd8 30.Qa6 Qf8 31.Qe2 Rc7 32.Rh1 Qa8 33.Qd2 Rc5 34.Rd1 Qc8 35.Qe2 Qb7 36.Qd3 Qa7 37.Qd2 Qa8 38.Qd4 Qc8 39.Qe4 Rc7 40.Qe3 Qf8 41.Re1 Qa8 42.Qd2 Qf8 43.Rh1 Qa8 44.f4 gxf4 45.Rhe1 f5 46.R6e2 Kh8 47.Qd4+ Kg8 48.Rh1 Qa7 49.Qxf4 Qc5 50.g4 Qxd5 51.Rf1 Kf8 52.gxf5 Rf6 53.Qg5 Qg8 54.Qe3 Qd5 55.Qb6 Qb7*

56.Qxa5 Kf7 57.Rf4 Rc5 58.Qxb4 Qxb4 59.Rxb4 Rxh6 60.Rbe4 Rc7 61.Kb2 Rf6 62.Rf2 Rc5 63.Rh4 h6 64.b4 Re5 65.a4 Ke8 66.a5 Kd7 67.Rf3 h5 68.Rxh5 Rf8 69.Rh7 Rf6 70.Rh8 d5 71.Kb3 d4 72.Rh4 Rd6 73.Rd3 Ke8 74.Rhxd4 Rh6 75.Rd5 Re1 76.Rd1 Re3+ 77.c3 Kf7 78.b5 Rhh3 79.Rc5 Rh8 80.a6 Ra8 81.Ra1 Rd3 82.b6 Rd6 83.Rb5 Rb8 84.a7 Rbxb6 85.Rxb6 Rxb6+ 86.Kc2 Rb5 87.a8Q Rxf5 88.Qe4 e6 89.Ra7+ Kf6 90.Qd4+ e5 91.Qd8+ Ke6 92.Qe7+ Kd5 93.Qb7+ Kc5 94.Ra5+ Kd6 95.Ra6+ Kc5 96.Qc6# 1-0 (96) Stockfish Dev16 (3611)-Berserk Dev10 (3509) tcec-chess.com INT 2022*)* 17.Bc4 b3 Played with no hesitation! 18.h5 *(18.cxb3 axb3 19.Bxb3 Qc7+* 20 Kd2 would feel a bit like the Topalov variation. With the white king in the middle Black obviously has some comp whilst *20.Kb1 Bf5+ 21.Ka1 Rfc8* looks quite dangerous.*;* Again bearing a distinct resemblance to the .. .Nxd4 and ...b5 (with the inevitable ... b4 pawn sac) lines, it is fascinating how White eschews the materialistic *18.axb3 axb3 19.Bxb3* in favour of the text.*)* 18...bxa2 19.Bxa2 g5 Again the preference to keep the h1-rook out of the action. 20.h6 Thank goodness some things remain thematic! But will this pawn be a thorn or a liability? f6 Stopping the mate on g7 and allowing a future ... Kf7-g6, but certainly conceding holes. 21.g4 Preventing Black's bishop from gaining access to the g6-c2 diagonal. Bd7 22.Rhe1 Rc8 23.Bc4 With ...Qc7 in Black's thinking there may not have been other opportunities to resurrect this bishop. Be8 Facilitating a switch to that aforementioned potentially lively diagonal. 24.Rd3 *(24.Bd3!?* is the stand out alternative when the question is whether Black would have just donated his pawn through say *a3!? 25.bxa3 Rc7* (or 25...Rc5) or not?*)* 24...Bg6 25.Rc3 Rc5! It almost feels condescending to award an '!' to an engine but I like this flexible move so there! 26.Ree3 *(* White doesn't have time for *26.Rce3?!* because of *Qc7* i.e. *27.Rxe7? Rxc4!* winning material.*)* 26...Re8 Prophylaxis anyone? 27.f4 If nothing is to come of e-file pressure then this is the stand out break remaining. gxf4 28.Qxf4 Qc7 Teeing up ... Rc8. 29.g5 a3! *(* Note not *29...fxg5? 30.Qd4!* with stopping the mate on g7 with *e5* highly undesirable in view of *31.dxe6)* 30.gxf6 *(*Following *30.bxa3? Rc8!* the c3-rook no longer has the

protection of the b2-pawn.*)* 30...axb2+ 31.Kxb2 *(* Upon *31.Kb1 Rf8!* White can't play *32.Rxe7??* because of *Qxe7 33.fxe7 Rxf4)* 31...Rf8 Again pinning the f-pawn. 32.Qg4 Rxf6 Re-establishing material equality. 33.Bb3 Rxc3 34.Rxc3 Qa7 The most flexible post for the queen. 35.Ba4 *(35.Rc8+ Rf8 36.Qe6+ Bf7 37.Rxf8+ Kxf8 38.Qc8+ Be8* is nothing.*)* 35...Rf8 Covering the back rank with the rook and with the black queen covering d4 all is fine! 36.Qe6+ Bf7 37.Rg3+ Kh8 38.Qe3 *(38.Qe4? Bxd5!* and so White heads to the endgame.*)* 38...Qxe3 39.Rxe3 Bg8! *(* Unsurprisingly accurate to the end. *39...Bxd5?! 40.Rxe7* would have left the back-rank an issue but rather than take that d5-pawn, Black wants to remove the annoying one on h6. *)* 40.c4 *(* Equally then *40.Rxe7 Rf6)* 40...Rf6 41.Rxe7 Rxh6 Black's king is a little off the pace but it's not a problem. 42.Kc3 Rf6 43.Bd1 Rf7 44.Re4 Rf2 45.Be2 Kg7 46.Kb4 Rf7 Evidently it's decided that there is no successful way to get at the d6-pawn! ½-½ (46) Lczero Dev (3623)-Stockfish (3639) tcec-chess.com INT 2021 The Week in Chess 1396 [Chris Ward];

B2) To be fair either queenside pawn advance seems more to the point than the positional 12...Bb7 seen in the original Onoprienko,V (2342)-Matorin,E (2259) Kyiv UKR 2007 annotation on the site.;

B3) Chris Ward: 'The reverse fixture saw the excitingly ambitious' 12...a5 Chris Ward: 'with' 13.Nxb5 a4 14.Bc4 Ba6 15.Kb1 Qd7 16.Na3 Chris Ward: 'compensation for the human eyes but ultimately not enough for the truth seekers with White ultimately converting his material plus in Stockfish 14 202107131735 (3639) -LCZero 0.28-dev+ 69626 (3623) tcec-chess.com INT 2021.' Rfb8 17.Rhe1 Qc7 18.Bxa6 Rxa6 19.Re2 Nd7 20.c3 Ne5 21.Qe1 Qb7 22.f4 Nd7 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qf2 Kg8 25.Ka1 Rc6 26.Qd4 Qa6 27.Qe3 Qb7 28.Rdd2 Ra6 29.h3 Rc6 30.g4 h6 31.h4 Rc5 32.e5 dxe5 33.f5 Qc6 34.fxg6 fxg6 35.Re1 Nf6 36.Qxh6 Nxg4 37.Qg5 Rxc3 38.Nb1 Rg3 39.Qxe7 Qe8 40.Qa7 Ra8 41.Qb6 Rb8 42.Qa6 Ra8 43.Qc4+ Qf7 44.Qb5 Qe8 45.Rd7 Nf6 46.Qc4+ Kh8 47.Rc7 Rd8 48.Qc1 Ng8 49.a3 Qe6 50.Rf1 Rd7 51.Rxd7 Qxd7 52.Qe1 Rb3 53.Qxe5+ Qg7 54.Qe2 Qe7 55.Qc2 Kg7 56.h5 gxh5 57.Rg1+ Kh8 58.Qg6 Nf6 59.Qh6+ Nh7 60.Rc1 Rg3 61.Rc8+ Rg8 62.Rxg8+ Kxg8 63.Qxh5 Nf6 64.Qh4 Qe6 65.Nc3 Ng4 66.Nxa4 Kf7 67.Qh7+ Kf6 68.Nc5 Qd5 69.Ne4+ Ke6 70.Qg8+ Kd7

71.Qxd5+ Kc7 72.Qd6+ Kc8 73.Qe7 Nf6 74.Nd6+ Kb8 75.Qb7# 1-0 (75) Stockfish (3639)-Lczero Dev (3623) tcec-chess.com INT 2021]

11.h4

[11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.Bd4 b5 13.Bd5 Rc8 14.a3 Qc7 15.Bxc6 Qxc6 16.Kb1 a5 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg7 Kxg7 19.exd5 Qc5 20.Rhe1 Rc7 21.c3 Rb8 22.Rc1 Qc4 23.Re4 Qb3 24.Rce1 Rbb7 25.h4 h5 26.g4 hxg4 27.h5 b4 28.cxb4 axb4 29.R1e3 Rc3 30.fxg4 Rxe3 31.Qd4+ f6 32.Rxe3 Qa4 33.hxg6 Rc7 34.g5 Qc2+ 35.Ka2 bxa3 36.Rxe7+ Rxe7 37.gxf6+ Kh6 38.fxe7 axb2 39.Qh4+ Kg7 40.e8N+ Kxg6 41.Qg4+ Kf7 42.Nxd6+ Kf6 43.Qe6+ Kg5 44.Ne4+ Kf4 45.Qf6+ Kg4 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qg3+ Kxe4 48.Qg6+ Ke5 49.Qxc2 b1B+ 50.Qxb1 Kf6 51.Qe4 Kg5 52.d6 Kf6 53.d7 Kf7 54.d8Q Kg7 55.Qg5+ Kh8 56.Qh1# 1-0 (56) Proteussf Turbo (2914)-Misteick (2474) Rapid 2023]

11...b5

[11...Ne5 12.Bb3 h5 13.Bh6 e6 14.g4 hxg4 15.h5 Nxh5 16.Rdg1 Qf6 17.Bxg7 Qxg7 18.fxg4 Nf6 19.g5 Nh5 20.Nce2 Bb5 21.Ng3 Nd3+ 22.cxd3 Qxd4 23.Nxh5 Rfc8+ 24.Kb1 Qxd3+ 25.Qxd3 Bxd3+ 26.Ka1 gxh5 27.g6 Rc5 28.gxf7+ Kxf7 29.Rd1 Bxe4 30.Rhg1 d5 31.a3 Rac8 32.Rdf1+ Bf5 33.Ka2 h4 34.Bd1 Rh8 35.Bg4 Kf6 36.Bxf5 exf5 37.Rf3 Rc4 38.Rgf1 Rh5 39.Rh3 Rg4 40.Rff3 f4 41.Rf1 Kg5 42.Rd3 Rg3 43.Rxd5+ Kg4 44.Rd4 Rf3 45.Rg1+ Rg3 46.Rh1 h3 47.Rf1 h2 48.Rf3 Kh3 49.Rfxf4 1-0 (49) Nobodies0 (2912)-Armankeshish (2588) Blitz 2024]

12.Bb3 Na5 13.h5 Nxb3+ 14.axb3 b4 15.Na4 Qc7 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Qxb4 a5 18.Qd2 Rfb8 19.Bh6 Bh8 20.Qc3 Ne8 21.Bd2 Rb7 22.Qd3 Nf6 23.Bg5 Rc8 24.Nc3 Qc5 25.Be3 Qb4 26.Na2 Qc5 27.Nc3 Qb4 28.Na2 Qc5 29.Ne2 Bb5 30.Qd2 Qc7 31.Nec3 a4 32.bxa4 Bc4 33.b3 Bxb3 34.cxb3 Rxb3 35.Qc2 Qb8 36.e5 dxe5 37.a5 e4 38.Bb6 Rxb6 39.axb6 Qxb6 40.Qb2 Qe3+ 41.Kb1 h5 42.Rhe1 Qa7 43.Nb5 Qb6 44.Nd4 Qd6 45.Nb4 Kh7 46.Ndc6 Qg3 47.Qb3 Bg7 48.Re2 Qh4 49.Qc4 Qg3 50.fxe4 Ng4 51.Qd3 Qf4 52.Qf3 Qc7 53.Rc1 Qb6 54.Qa3 Nh6 55.Ka2 Nf7 56.e5 Nd8 57.Qa4 e6 58.Rcc2 Rc7 59.Red2 Nf7 60.Qa5 Qxa5+ 61.Nxa5 Ra7 62.Nbc6 Rc7 63.Kb1 Ng5 64.Nd8 Ra7 65.Nac6 Ra3 66.Rd6 Rg3 67.Nxe6 Nxe6 68.Rxe6 h4 69.Rd6 Bf8 70.Rd8 Ba3 71.e6 h3 72.gxh3 Rb3+ 73.Ka2 Rb6 74.Kxa3 Ra6+ 75.Kb4 Rb6+ 76.Kc5 Ra6 77.e7 Kh6 78.e8Q Rxc6+ 79.Kxc6 Kg5 80.Qe5+ Kh4 81.Rh8# 1-0 (81) Stockfish dev-20230903-b25d68 (3666)-Rubichess (3508) tcec-chess.com INT 2023

9...Ne5 10.Bb3 Bd7 11.0-0-0

[11.h4 Qa5 12.h5 Nxh5 13.g4 Nf6 14.Bh6 Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Rfc8 16.0-0-0 Rxc3 17.bxc3 Qxc3 18.Kb1 Rc8 19.g5 Nh5 20.Rxh5 gxh5 21.Qxh5 Nc4 22.Bxc4 Rxc4 23.Rd3 Qe1+ 24.Kb2 Qf2 25.g6 hxg6 26.Qd5 b5 27.e5 Be6 28.Qa8+ Kh7 29.Qe4 Bf5 30.Qf4 dxe5 0-1 (30) Alireza2003 (2826)-Niclox (2653) Blitz 2020]

11...b5

[11...Qa5

A) 12.Bh6

A1) 12...Bxh6 13.Qxh6 Rac8 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Qc5 *(15...Ba4 16.Kb1 Bxb3 17.Nxb3 Qc7 18.c3 a5 19.Rd4 f6 20.Re1 Rf7 21.Qh3 a4 22.Rxa4 Nc4 23.f4 f5 24.Qd3 b5 25.Rb4 Qa7 26.Nd4 Ra8 27.a4 e5 28.dxe6 Rb7 29.Nxb5 Qf2 30.Qe2 Nd2+ 31.Kc2* 1-0 (31) Liem Chess (2840)-Smurf42 (2570) Blitz 2020*)* 16.Rhe1 b5 17.a3 a5 18.Kb1 a4 19.Ba2 Bf5 20.Qd2 Bd3 21.Nc6 Nxc6 22.Qxd3 Ne5 23.Qd2 Rc7 24.c3 Rb8 25.Ka1 Nc4 26.Bxc4 bxc4 27.Re2 Rb3 28.h4 Rcb7 29.Qc1 Qa5 30.Rd4 Qb5 31.g4 Kf8 32.f4 Ke8 33.f5 gxf5 34.gxf5 f6 35.Rdd2 Kd8 36.Qe1 Qe8 37.Rg2 Kc7 38.Rd4 Qb5 39.Qe4 Kb6 40.Rxc4 Ka5 41.Rc8 Rb8 42.c4 Qb7 43.Rc6 Rb6 44.c5 Rxc6 45.dxc6 Qc7 46.Rc2 Rb5 47.cxd6 exd6 48.Rc4 Ka6 49.Rxa4+ Kb6 50.Ra8 Re5 51.Qc4 Ra5 52.Qb4+ Rb5 53.Qa4 Re5 54.Ra6+ Kc5 55.Qc2+ Kd4 56.Ra4+ Ke3 57.Qc3+ Kf2 58.Rf4+ Kg2 59.Rg4+ Kf2 60.Qd2+ Kf1 61.Qf4+ Ke1 62.Rg1+ Ke2 63.Rg2+ Ke1 64.Qc1# 1-0 (64) Mayhem23111 (2889)-Aks Mantissa (2595) Blitz 2023;

A2) 12...Rac8 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.g4 b5 15.h4 h5 16.g5 Ne8 17.f4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.Qd3 Nc7 20.f5 Qa6 21.Kb1 Rc5 22.Rhe1 Rc4 23.b3 Rc5 24.Nd5 e5 25.fxe6 Bxe6 26.Nxe6+ Nxe6 27.Qf1 Nc7 28.Qf6+ Kh7 29.Nf4 Ne8 30.Qe7 Rxc2 31.Kxc2 Qxa2+ 32.Kc3 Kg8 33.Re2 Qa3 34.Nd5 b4+ 35.Nxb4 Qa5 36.Rd5 Qa1+ 37.Kd2 Qa3 38.Nc2 Qxb3 39.Rd3 Qb6 40.e5 Qa5+ 41.Kc1 Qb5 42.Ree3 d5 43.e6 Ng7 44.Qd7 Qb8 45.e7 Re8 46.Qxd5 Qf4 47.Qe5 Qxh4 48.Rd8 a6 49.Qf6 Qa4 50.Rf3 Qc4 51.Rf1 a5 52.Rf4 Qxf4+ 53.Qxf4 f5 54.gxf6 h4 55.f7+ Kh7 56.Qxh4+ Nh5 57.fxe8Q Kg7 58.Qh8+ Kf7 59.e8Q# 1-0 (59) Leelamultiposs (2960)-Aks Mantissa (2591) Blitz 2023;

B) 12.h4 h5 13.g4 hxg4 14.f4 Nc6 15.h5 Nxh5 16.f5 Qe5 17.Nde2 b5 *(17...Nf6 18.Qe1 Nxe4 19.Rd5 Qf6 20.Nxe4 Qxb2+ 21.Kd2 Bxf5 22.Qh4 Rfc8 23.Rxf5 gxf5 24.Qh7+ Kf8 25.N4c3 f4 26.Bxf4 d5 27.Rh5 Bf6 28.Bh6+ Ke8 29.Qg8+ Kd7 30.Rxd5+ Kc7 31.Qxf7 Be5 32.Rxe5 Rd8+ 33.Rd5 b5 34.Nd4 g3 35.Nxc6 Kxc6 36.Qe6+ Rd6 37.Rxd6+ exd6 38.Qd5+ Kc7 39.Nxb5+ Kb6 40.Be3+ Qd4+ 41.Bxd4+ Ka5 42.Nxd6+ Ka6 43.Qb5#* 1-0 (43) Leelamultiposs (2989)-Aks Mantissa (2617) Blitz 2023*)* 18.Nf4 b4 19.Nxg6 bxc3 20.bxc3 Qxe4 21.Rxh5 Rfd8 22.Rdh1 Qxf5 23.Rh8+ Bxh8 24.Qh2 Qf1+ 25.Rxf1 Bf6 26.Rxf6 Kg7 27.Rxf7+ Kxg6 28.Qh7# 1-0 (28) Leelamultiposs (3005)-Aks Mantissa (2600) Blitz 2023]

12.Ndxb5

[12.h4 a5 13.Nd5 a4 14.Nxf6+ Bxf6 15.Bd5 Rc8 16.h5 e6 17.hxg6 exd5

18.Rxh7 Nc4 19.Qf2 fxg6 20.Rdh1 Rf7 21.R7h6 Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Qe7 23.Rxg6+ Rg7 24.Rhh6 Bg5 25.Rxg5 Qxg5 26.Qxg5 Rxg5 27.Rxd6 Be8 28.Nf5 Kf7 29.Rxd5 Ke6 30.Nd4+ Kf6 31.Rd6+ Ke7 32.Rb6 Rxg2 33.Nf5+ Kf8 34.Rf6+ Bf7 35.Rxf7+ Kxf7 36.Nd6+ Ke6 37.Nxc8 Ke5 38.Na7 b4 39.Nc6+ Kf4 40.Nxb4 Kxf3 41.e5 Re2 42.Nd3 Ke4 43.a3 Kd4 44.Kd1 Rh2 45.Kc1 Re2 46.Kb1 Kc4 47.Kc1 Re4 48.Kb1 Re2 49.Kc1 Re4 50.Kd1 Rh4 51.Kd2 Rh2+ 52.Kc1 Rh1+ 53.Kd2 Rh2+ 54.Ke3 Rxc2 55.e6 Kd5 56.Nb4+ 1-0 (56) Supertactic91 (2826)-Bootes Void (2603) Blitz 2022]

12...Qb8 13.Nd4 Rc8 14.h4 [14.Kb1 a5 15.a4 Qb4 *(15...Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.b3 Rc8 18.g4 Be8 19.h4 Nd7 20.h5 Nc5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Nd5 Qb7 23.Qh2 h5 24.gxh5 g5 25.h6 Bxd4 26.h7+* 1-0 (26) Uragan1234 (2812)-Gingergm (2742) Blitz 2021*)* 16.Ncb5 Nc4 17.Qxb4 axb4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.b3 Rc5 20.Bd2 Bxb5 21.Bxb4 Be8 22.Bxc5 dxc5 23.Ne2 c4 24.Nc3 cxb3 25.cxb3 Nd7 26.Nd5 Nc5 27.Nc7 Rb8 28.Nxe8 Rxb3+ 29.Kc1 Bc3 30.Kc2 Ra3 31.Rb1 Be5 32.Rhc1 Ra2+ 33.Kd1 Nd3 34.Rc2 Rxa4 35.Nc7 Bxh2 36.Nd5 e6 37.Nc3 Ra3 38.Ke2 Ne5 39.Nd1 Bf4 40.Nc3 h5 41.Rd1 h4 42.Kf2 g5 43.Ne2 Nd3+ 44.Kf1 Be3 45.Rc3 Rxc3 46.Nxc3 Nf4 47.Rd8+ Kg7 48.Ne2 Nxe2 49.Kxe2 Bf4 50.Rd7 Kf6 51.Kf1 Ke5 52.Rd1 Kf6 53.Kg1 Kg6 54.Kh1 f5 55.Rf1 fxe4 56.fxe4 Kf6 57.Re1 Ke5 58.Re2 Kd4 59.Kg1 e5 60.Kf1 Kd3 61.Kf2 Bd2 62.Kf1 Bf4 63.Ra2 Kxe4 64.Ra8 Kf5 65.Rg8 Kg4 66.Ke2 e4 67.Kf1 e3 68.Re8 Kg3 69.Re6 g4 70.Re8 h3 71.gxh3 Kxh3 72.Kg1 Kg3 73.Kf1 Kf3 74.Rf8 g3 75.Re8 g2+ 76.Kg1 e2 77.Rxe2 Kxe2 78.Kxg2 ½-½ (78) Timetrave1 (2814)-Azotador (2661) Blitz 2023]

14...h5 15.g4 a5 16.a4 hxg4 17.h5 Nxh5 18.Bh6 Bf6 19.Bg5 Bg7 20.f4 Bxa4 21.fxe5 Bxb3 22.Bxe7 Qb7 23.Bxd6 a4 24.Nf5 a3 25.bxa3 gxf5 26.Rxh5 f4 27.Bb4 Rxc3 28.Qxc3 Be6 29.Qd3 Rc8 30.Qd8+ Rxd8 31.Rxd8+ Bf8 32.Rxf8+ Kg7 33.Rfh8 Qc8 34.R8h7+ Kg8 35.Be7 f5 36.exf6 Qf8 37.Bxf8 Kxf8 38.Rg7 Bg8 39.Rh8 f3 40.Rhxg8# 1-0 (40) Leelamultiposs (3014)-Aks Mantissa (2583) Blitz 2023

9...Rb8 10.Bb3 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 b5 12.Bxa7 Rb7 13.Bd4 b4 14.Nd5 e6 15.Nxb4 Nxe4 16.fxe4 Qh4+ 17.Kd1 Qh5+ 18.Kc1 Bh6 19.Be3 Bxe3 20.Qxe3 Rxb4 21.a3 Rb8 22.a4 Ba6 23.Kb1 Rfc8 24.h3 Qe5 25.Rd1 Rb4 26.Re1 Bc4 27.Ra3 Rcb8 28.Ka2 Bxb3+ 29.cxb3 Rc8 30.Re2 Rd4 31.Rd2 Rxe4 32.Qd3 Re1 33.Qxd6 Rcc1 34.b4 Ra1+ 35.Kb3 Rxa3+ 36.Kxa3 Qf5 37.Qd3 Qg5 38.Kb3 Ra1 39.Qd8+ Qxd8 40.Rxd8+ Kg7 41.a5 e5 42.Kc4 f5 43.Kb5 e4 44.a6 Kf7 45.Kb6 e3 46.Rd3 f4 47.Rd4 g5 48.Re4 Kf6 49.b5 Kf5 50.Re8 g4 51.hxg4+ Kxg4 52.Kb7 e2 53.Rxe2 f3 54.gxf3+ Kxf3 55.Re7 Ra5 56.b6 h5 57.a7 Re5 58.Rf7+ Ke3 59.a8Q Rg5 60.Qf8 Rg4 61.Re7+ Kd2 62.Qd8+ Kc1 63.Rc7+ Kb1 64.Kb8 Re4 65.Qc8 Ka2 66.b7 Re8 67.Rc6 Rxc8+ 68.bxc8Q Kb1 69.Qc7 Ka2 70.b4 Ka1 71.b5 Kb1 72.b6 Ka2 73.b7 Ka1

74.Kc8 Kb2 75.b8Q+ Ka2 76.Qca7# 1-0 (76) Silence404 (2915)-Lav Eli Mi Kri1920 (2783) Blitz 2024

9...Na5 10.Be2 a6 11.0-0-0 Rb8 12.h4 Nh5 13.Rh2 Ng3 14.h5 Nxe2+ 15.Qxe2 b5 16.hxg6 fxg6 17.Rdh1 b4 18.Nd5 e6 19.Nf4 Qe8 20.Rxh7 Rb7 21.g4 e5 22.Qh2 Nc4 23.Nf5 Bxf5 24.exf5 exf4 25.Bd4 Bxd4 26.Rh8+ Kf7 27.Qh7+ Kf6 28.Rxf8+ Qxf8 29.Qxg6+ Ke7 30.Rh7+ Kd8 31.Rxb7 Kc8 32.Rh7 Bxb2+ 33.Kd1 Kb8 34.Qe6 Qc8 35.Ke2 Nb6 36.Qxd6+ Ka8 37.Qe7 Nd7 38.Qxd7 Qxd7 39.Rxd7 a5 40.g5 b3 41.cxb3 Kb8 42.Rh7 a4 43.bxa4 Ka8 44.g6 Bf6 45.g7 Bxg7 46.Rxg7 Kb8 47.f6 Kc8 48.a5 Kb8 49.Re7 Kc8 50.f7 Kb8 51.f8Q# 1-0 (51) Torbot (2875)-Aks Mantissa (2643) Rapid 2023

9...Be6 10.Nxe6 fxe6 11.Bxe6+ Kh8 12.0-0 Nh5 13.Rab1 a6 14.Ne2 b5 15.c4 bxc4 16.Bxc4 Ne5 17.Bd5 Rc8 18.Rbc1 Qd7 19.Nd4 Qa4 20.a3 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Nf4 22.Bb3 Nh3+ 23.Kh1 Nxf3 24.gxf3 Qe8 25.Be6 1-0 (25) Idabble (2849)-Norolex (2832) Blitz 2022

9...d5 10.Nxd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 Na5 12.Bb3 Nxb3 13.Nxb3 Bxb2 14.Rd1 Bg7 15.0-0 b6 16.Rfe1 Qd6 17.Bf4 Qa3 18.d6 Be6 19.dxe7 Rfe8 20.Bd6 Qb2 21.Nd4 Bxa2 22.Nc6 Rac8 23.Nxa7 Rxc2 24.Qg5 Bc3 25.Re3 Bd2 26.Kh1 Qc1 0-1 (26) Nozdrachev, V (2844)-Cakeinspace (2872) Blitz 2021

[127] **10.h4** h5 I find this absolutely amazing and the way these Super engines are handling the Dragon (admittedly after being forced to play the opening in the first place!) are opening up whole new avenues. I find this absolutely amazing and the way these Super engines are handling the Dragon (admittedly after being forced to play the opening in the first place!) are opening up whole new avenues.

[Here for example, on previous occasions upon reaching this position Black has carried on with the main plan of Here for example, on previous occasions upon reaching this position Black has carried on with the main plan of Chris Ward: 'Yes this bizarre line again! Updating the stats from my previous annotation, on previous occasions upon reaching this position Black has carried on with the main plan of' 10...Nb6 (i.e. looking to get a knight to c4) on 281 occasions. Instead Black has played [%draw full, h4] (i.e. looking to get a knight to c4) on 281 occasions. Instead Black has played Chris Ward: '(i.e. looking to get a knight to c4) on 299 occasions. Alternatively Black has played'

A) 11.Bb3 Na5 12.Qd3 *(12.Bh6 Nbc4 13.Qg5 Bxd4 14.Bxf8 Qxf8 15.Qd5 Nxb3 16.Qxc4 Bxc3+* 0-1 (16) Saraci,N (2811)-Sergeiaza (2718) Blitz 2022*)* 12...Nxb3 13.axb3 d5 14.h5 e5 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.0-0-0 exd4 17.Bxd4 dxe4 18.Qxe4 Bf5 19.Qxb7 Rf7 20.Qxf7+ Kxf7 21.Rxh7 Qg5+ 22.Kb1 Rg8 23.g4 Be6 24.Ne4 Qd8 25.Kc1 Nd5 26.c4 Qc7 27.Ng5+ Ke8 28.Nxe6 Qd6 29.Nxg7+ Rxg7 30.Rxg7 Nb4 31.Rg8+ Kf7 32.Rg7+ Kf8 33.Bc3 Qf4+ 34.Kb1 Qxf3 35.Rd8# 1-0 (35) Samarqand2021 (2841)-Sergeiaza (2783) Blitz 2022;

B) 11.Be2 Ne5 12.b3 Bd7 13.h5 Rc8 14.hxg6 fxg6 15.a4 a6 16.a5 Na8 17.Nd5 e6 18.Bg5 Qe8 19.Ne7+ Kh8 20.Nxc8 Qxc8 21.Be7 Re8 22.Bxd6 Nc7 23.Rd1 Nc6 24.Nxc6 Bxc6 25.Qf4 e5 26.Qf7 Ne6 27.Qxg6 h6 28.Bxe5 1-0 (28) Zubov,A (2947)-Elfugitivo (2712) Blitz 2021]

[10...Nde5 36 times but the provocative text has in documented outings only even been played once before and (no offence intended!) that was in a game between two sub 2000 rated players! 36 times but the provocative text has in documented outings only even been played once before and (no offence intended!) that was in a game between two sub 2000 rated players! Chris Ward: '41 times but the provocative text has in documented human outings still only even been played once before and (no offence intended!) that was in a game between two sub 2000 rated players!']

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coming off isn't a problem for Black who might even table in 17...Ng3!? as well.) 16...Rb8!? (or *16...Qd6*) with for example 17.dxc6 Qc7 18.Rxh5?! gxh5 19.Rh1 Qxc6 hitting the c4-bishop and thus 20.Bd5 Qg6 leaving Black sitting very pretty.;

B) 12.h5 Nde5! (hitting the bishop on c4 and threatening the aforementioned ...Nxd4 followed by ...Nxf3) (hitting the bishop on c4 and threatening the aforementioned ...Nxd4 followed by ...Nxf3) 13.Be2 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 gxf3 when 15.Bxe5 dxe5! is under control with 16.Bxf3 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Be6 essentially leaving Black with the bishop pair as well as his sort of extra pawn for the endgame. essentially leaving Black with the bishop pair as well as his sort of extra pawn for the endgame.]

Of course I can't guarantee that there is no way for White to break through and I think quite naturally I was suspicious of 10...h5 but it is clear that Black has reasonable defensive resources about which you can clearly take someone (some thing) else's word for! <xml✕:>Of course I can't guarantee that there is no way for White to break through and I think quite naturally I was suspicious of 10...h5 but it is clear that Black has reasonable defensive resources about which you can clearly take someone (some thing) else< <nag>8</nag>s word for!</: ✕/ xml> 11...Qa5!? Activating the queen (which from here eyes up White's queenside whilst potentially offering some lateral defence). Activating the queen (which from here eyes up White's queenside whilst potentially offering some lateral defence).

[Instead 11...Nde5 12.Bb3 (with reference to the other engine tussle this month, it's not unlikely that Be2 might have been seen!) (with reference to the other engine tussle this month, it's not unlikely that Be2 might have been seen!) Na5 13.Qe2 Nxb3+ 14.cxb3 Qa5 15.Kb1 Re8 16.Rdg1 Nc6 17.Qd2 f5 18.exf5 Bxd4 19.Bxd4 Bxf5+ 20.Ka1 Nb4 21.Rc1?? Nxa2 0-1 (21) Jobe,T (1690) -Ventimiglia,C (1925) IECC email 2000 had clearly seen White's position slowly decline from one of strength before going out with a bang! Entertaining though! 0-1 (21) Jobe,T (1690) -Ventimiglia,C (1925) IECC email 2000 had clearly seen White's position slowly decline from one of strength before going out with a bang! Entertaining though! Chris Ward: '0-1 (21) Jobe,T (1690) -Ventimiglia,C (1925) IECC email 2000 had clearly seen White's position slowly decline from one of strength before going out with a bang in the only actual life form encounter!']

12.Kb1

[In case anyone was wondering the plan after 12.Nb3 would have been would have been Qb4 13.Be2 Clearly the black queen needs to take care but rather than bailing out early with Clearly the black queen needs to take care but rather than bailing out early with Bxc3 (So *13...Nb6!?* now with a future ...Na4 ready, threatening ...Bxc3 and hence now

with a future ...Na4 ready, threatening ...Bxc3 and hence *14.a3 Bxc3 15.axb4 Bxd2+ 16.Bxd2 Be6* being okay.*)* 14.bxc3! *(* Rather than *14.Qxc3?! Qxc3 15.bxc3* where the concession of the Dragon bishop to compromise the opponent's pawn structure is a very reasonable one given that White is very unlikely to get a knight to d5 now or deliver mate! where the concession of the Dragon bishop to compromise the opponent's pawn structure is a very reasonable one given that White is very unlikely to get a knight to d5 now or deliver mate! *)* 14...Qa3+ 15.Kb1 Nb6 which allows White to defend Black's b2-mating threat via which allows White to defend Black's b2-mating threat via 16.Qe1! i.e. Na4?? 17.Bc1 he should delay with the bracketed note 13...Nb6!?. he should delay with the bracketed note 13...Nb6!?.]

[Chris Ward: 'Because of the strength of the 'player', certainly to be taken seriously but nevertheless slightly innocuous was the' 12.Bd5 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 Bxd4 14.Qxd4 Ne5 15.Qd2 Kg7 16.Kb1 *(16.Qg5 Qd8 17.Qe3 Qc7 18.Kb1 a5 19.a4 Qc5 20.Qg5 Re8 21.Bb3 Bd7 22.Rd5 Qf2 23.Rd2 Qc5 24.f4 f6 25.Qg3 Ng4* Chris Ward: 'with a slight advantage for White that was ultimately neutralised for a draw in KomodoDragon 3.2 (3569)-LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2- (3573) tcec-chess.com INT 2023' *26.Re1 Rac8 27.Ka2 Qc7 28.Ree2 Qb8 29.e5 b5 30.axb5 Bxb5 31.Nxb5 Qxb5 32.Be6 Rcd8 33.c4 Qc5 34.exf6+ exf6 35.Qc3 Qc7 36.Rd5 a4 37.Ka1 Re7 38.Qd3 Nf2 39.Qd4 Ng4 40.f5 Ne5 41.Rb5 gxf5 42.Bxf5 Rde8 43.Re4 Nf7 44.Qd5 a3 45.bxa3 Qa7 46.Ka2 Qf2+ 47.Rb2 Qg3 48.Rxe7 Rxe7 49.Bc2 Qxh4 50.a4 Ne5 51.c5 dxc5 52.Qxc5 Rd7 53.Rb1 Nd3 54.Qc8 Qd4 55.Rb8 Kh6 56.Qe8 Qf2 57.Rc8 Qd4 58.Qh8+ Rh7 59.Qf8+ Kg5 60.Qg8+ Kh6 61.Bxd3 Qxd3 62.Qf8+ Kg6 63.Qg8+ Kh6 64.Qf8+ Kg6 65.Qg8+* ½-½ (65) Komododragon (3569)-LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2- (3573) tcec-chess.com INT 2023*)* 16...Qc5 *(16...Qb6 17.a3 Bd7 18.Bb3 Be6 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Rac8 21.Rde1 Rc7 22.Re3 f5 23.Rhe1 Rf7 24.Ka2 Qb5 25.c4 Qc5 26.Rc3 Qa5 27.Re2 Qc5 28.Bd1 Qb6 29.Qf4 Kh7 30.Bb3 Kg7 31.Rxe5 dxe5 32.Qxe5+ Kh7 33.g4 Qd6 34.Qe2 hxg4 35.fxg4 fxg4 36.c5 Qf4 37.h5 gxh5 38.Rc4 Qg5 39.Re4 Kg7 40.d6 exd6 41.cxd6 Rcd7 42.Bxf7 Rxf7 43.Re5 Qg6 44.Re6 Qf5 45.Qc4 Rf6 46.d7 Qxe6 47.Qxe6 Rxe6 48.d8Q Rg6 49.Qc7+ Kh6 50.Qg3 Rf6 51.Qe3+ Kg6 52.Qxa7 h4 53.Qd4 Kg5 54.Qd2+ Kg6 55.Qe2 Kg5 56.Qe7 g3 57.a4 b6 58.b4 Kf5 59.a5 bxa5 60.bxa5 g2 61.Qd7+ Kf4 62.Qg7 Rf5 63.Qxg2* 1-0 (63) Komododragon (3583)-Caissa (3545) tcec-chess.com INT 2024 *)* 17.Qg5 Re8 18.Bb3 Bd7 19.Rd5 Qb6 20.Qd2 Bc6 21.Rd4 Qa5 22.Rf1 Rf8 23.Qg5 Qc5 24.Rfd1 Rfe8 *(24...Rae8 25.a3 Rh8 26.Na4 Qb5 27.Qd2 Nd7 28.Nc3 Qa5 29.Rb4 Qc5 30.f4 Nf6 31.Bd5 Bxd5 32.Nxd5 b6 33.Ra4 b5 34.Rd4 Qc8 35.Nxf6 exf6 36.Qd3 a6 37.f5 Qc6 38.fxg6 fxg6 39.Rxd6 Qxe4 40.Rxa6 Qxh4 41.Qxb5 Kh6*

42.Rad6 Qf4 43.Ka2 Rhf8 44.Qb4 Qg4 45.R1d2 Rc8 46.R6d4 Qe6+ 47.c4 Rfe8 48.Rc2 Qf7 49.Qd2+ g5 50.b4 Re7 51.Kb2 Ra7 52.Rc3 Rc6 53.c5 Re7 54.Rc2 Re5 55.Rd7 Qg8 56.Rd8 Qg7 57.Qd7 Qxd7 58.Rxd7 g4 59.a4 Ra6 60.a5 Rc6 61.Kb3 h4 62.Rd6 Rc7 63.Rxf6+ Kh7 64.Rf4 Rg5 65.Rcc4 Rg8 66.Rxg4 Ra8 67.Ka4 Rf8 68.Rxh4+ Kg6 69.Rcg4+ Kf5 70.Rf4+ Kg5 71.Rxf8 Kxh4 72.a6 Rc6 73.Kb5 Rc7 74.Kb6 Re7 75.a7 Re6+ 76.Kb5 Kg3 77.a8Q Kh2 78.Qf3 Re7 79.Qf4+ Kh1 80.Qf1+ Kh2 81.Rh8+ Rh7 82.Rxh7+ Kg3 83.Qf3# 1-0 (83) Caissa (3545)-Komododragon (3583) tcec-chess.com INT 2024*)* 25.a3 Rac8 26.Ne2 Nd7 27.Qg3 a5 28.Nf4 Rg8 29.Nh3 Nb6 30.Ng5 Ba4 31.Rxa4 Nxa4 32.e5 Qxe5 33.Qxe5+ dxe5 34.Bxa4 Rgd8 35.c3 Rxd1+ 36.Bxd1 e6 37.Kc2 Kf8 38.Be2 f6 39.Ne4 Ke7 40.a4 Ra8 41.Kd2 Rg8 42.Ke1 b6 43.Bf1 f5 44.Ng5 Rc8 45.g3 Kf6 46.Nh7+ Kg7 47.Ng5 Kf6 48.Bb5 Rc7 49.Kd2 Rc8 50.Ke2 Rc7 51.Kd1 Rb7 52.Ke1 Rc7 53.Ke2 Rb7 54.Bc4 Re7 55.b4 Ra7 56.Bb3 Rc7 57.Kd2 Rd7+ 58.Kc2 Re7 59.Bc4 Re8 60.Bb3 Re7 61.Bc4 Re8 62.Ba2 Ra8 63.Bb3 Re8 64.Bc4 Re7 65.Bb5 axb4 66.cxb4 Rc7+ 67.Kb3 Rc1 68.Kb2 Rd1 69.Bc4 Ke7 70.a5 bxa5 71.bxa5 Kd6 72.Nxe6 Kc6 73.a6 Kb6 74.Nf8 Rd2+ 75.Kc3 Rd6 76.Kb4 e4 77.fxe4 fxe4 78.Ne6 Rd1 79.Nf4 Rb1+ 80.Kc3 Rg1 81.Ne2 Rd1 82.Bf7 Rd3+ 83.Kb4 Rd6 84.Nf4 Rd4+ 85.Kb3 e3 86.Kc3 Rd6 87.Bd5 e2 88.Kd2 Kc5 89.a7 e1Q+ 90.Kxe1 g5 91.a8Q gxf4 92.Qa5+ Kd4 93.Bg8 fxg3 94.Qb4+ Ke3 95.Qxd6 g2 96.Qc5+ Kf4 97.Ke2 g1Q 98.Qxg1 1-0 (98) Stockfish Dev Da50 (3607)-Berserk (3476) tcec-chess.com INT 2023]

[Chris Ward: 'This month of April 2023 though also witnessed' 12.Qf2 Bxd4 13.Bxd4 Nde5 14.Bb3 Nxd4 15.Rxd4 Be6 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.Rxd5 Qb6 18.Qxb6 axb6 19.Rb5 Chris Ward: 'with a small structural advantage for White in LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2- (3573)-KomodoDragon 3.2 (3569) tcec-chess.com INT 2023.' Nd7 20.Rb4 Rfc8 21.Rd1 Ra5 22.f4 Rc7 23.Kb1 Kg7 24.a3 b5 25.c3 Nf6 26.Rd2 Ne8 27.Bd1 Rc5 28.Be2 Nc7 29.g3 Ne8 30.Rbd4 Ra8 31.Kc2 Ra6 32.Rd5 Rxd5 33.Rxd5 Nc7 34.Rd4 e5 35.Rb4 Ra5 36.Kd2 Kf6 37.Ke3 Ke6 38.c4 f5 39.fxe5 dxe5 40.cxb5 Ne8 41.exf5+ gxf5 42.b6 Rc5 43.Rc4 Ra5 44.Bxh5 Nd6 45.Rb4 Ra8 46.Bd1 Kf6 47.a4 Ke6 48.g4 fxg4 49.Rxg4 Ra6 50.b4 Rxb6 51.b5 Nf5+ 52.Ke4 Ne7 53.Rg3 Kd7 54.h5 Kd6 55.Rg5 Kd7 56.a5 Rh6 57.Kxe5 Re6+ 58.Kf4 Rf6+ 59.Kg4 Rf8 60.Bf3 Rc8 61.Bxb7 Rc4+ 62.Kg3 Rc3+ 63.Bf3 Ke6 64.b6 Kf6 65.Rb5 Rc8 66.a6 Rg8+ 67.Kf4 Ke6 68.a7 Rf8+ 69.Kg4 Rg8+ 70.Kh3 Ng6 71.b7 Nf4+ 72.Kh2 Rd8 73.b8Q Rd2+ 74.Kh1 Rd1+ 75.Bxd1 Nxh5 76.Bb3+ Kd7 77.Rb7+ Kc6 78.Qc7# 1-0 (78) LCZero 0.30-dag-8092b376-BT2-(3573)-Komododragon (3569) tcec-chess.com INT 2023]

12...Qb4 13.Nd5 How dangerous would this have seemed to any human but

it's incredible chess where Black would actually appear to have everything under control. How dangerous would this have seemed to any human but it's incredible chess where Black would actually appear to have everything under control.

[Alternatively 13.Bb3 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Qxd4 15.Qxd4 Bxd4 16.Rxd4 at first feels like a small nibble for White until one discovers at first feels like a small nibble for White until one discovers Rd8 17.Nd5 Kf8 as a satisfactory solution to any forking threats. as a satisfactory solution to any forking threats.]

[Upon 13.Be2 Bxd4 14.Bxd4 Qxd4 15.Qxd4 Nxd4 16.Rxd4 Black also has the idea of Nb6 because with the bishop on e2 rather than b3, the strength of a Re1 and e4-e5 plan is significantly reduced. because with the bishop on e2 rather than b3, the strength of a Re1 and e4-e5 plan is significantly reduced.]

13...Qxc4

[Bearing in mind the potential for intermezzo check on e7, 13...Qxd2?! 14.Rxd2 is a nice advantage for White. Chris Ward: 'is a nice advantage for White. Instead then we're in line for more craziness!']

14.b3

[Substantially better than Substantially better than Chris Ward: 'Note that' 14.Nxc6? bxc6 15.Nxe7+ Kh7 16.b3 Qb5 17.Qxd6 Ne5 which would leave Black with his queen still intact and with a piece for pawns and on the offensive. which would leave Black with his queen still intact and with a piece for pawns and on the offensive. Chris Ward: 'would leave Black with his queen still intact and with a piece for pawns, somewhat on the offensive.']

14...Qxd4

[No doubt many a human would have preferred 14...Qa6 15.Nc7 Qa3 16.Nxa8 maybe hoping to glean some sort of compensation for the exchange based on the fact that White has a knight in the corner. Not so the LCZero who waves goodbye to the queen remaining as cool as a cucumber! maybe hoping to glean some sort of compensation for the exchange based on the fact that White has a knight in the corner. Not so the LCZero who waves goodbye to the queen remaining as cool as a cucumber! Chris Ward: 'maybe hoping to glean some sort of compensation for the exchange based on the fact that White has a knight in the corner. Not so the 3600 rated beast who waves goodbye to the queen remaining as cool as a cucumber!']

15.Bxd4 Nxd4 Three pieces for a queen is always an interesting imbalance but of course e7 is dropping immediately. Three pieces for a queen is always an interesting imbalance but of course e7 is dropping immediately. 16.Nxe7+ Kh7 17.c4 Chris Ward: 'with'

[Clearly White was concerned about the possibility of ...Nb5-c3 and so 17.Nd5 had to be a candidate too. Nc5 So it's two bishops and a knight for a queen and pawn with d5 a handy outpost for White's remaining minor piece and d6 obviously weak. 18.c3 Nb5 19.a4

A)_____ One might have expected

19...Nxb3 20.Qb2 *(or 20.Qe1 Nxc3+ 21.Nxc3 Be6)* 20...Nxc3+ 21.Nxc3 Be6 with a fair bit of action for the material deficit but instead the 3607 metal monster has a different approach in mind!;

B) 19...a6 Wow, wow, wow!!! 20.axb5 axb5 Yes Black has sacrificed one of its minor pieces to get an open a-file. 21.Qg5 Be6 22.Nf6+ Bxf6 *(* A natural reaction would be to want to preserve the Dragon bishop but *22...Kh8 23.Rxd6 Nxb3* for example would run into *24.Rxe6! fxe6 25.e5* with *Ra1+ 26.Kb2 Rxh1 27.Qxg6* a serious problem.*)* 23.Qxf6 Bxb3 24.Qxd6 White is happy to return some material to simplify but of course Black isn't interested! Rfc8!? Not interested in that rook on d1,the era of materialistic computers is well passed! 25.Qf6 Ra3 26.g4 Unable to simply trade to victory, White takes up the 'going for mate' gauntlet! Bc4 In eliminating a c3-c4 defence, suddenly ...Rca8 is a massive threat. 27.Rh2! And this is actually the only move to retain the advantage. Rca8 28.Rb2 *(28.gxh5?? Ra1+* would have seen ...R8a2 mate next and hence the second part of the required defence. *)* 28...R3a6 29.Qd4 Nb3

B1) Again the only move to keep the advantage. Cute would be 30.Qd7 Ra1+ 31.Kc2 Rxd1 32.Qxd1 Ra1 33.Rb1 *(* And not *33.Qd7?? Rc1#)* 33...Ra2+ 34.Rb2 Ra1 etc. with a repetition.;

B2) 30.Qe3! hxg4 31.fxg4 Ra1+ 32.Kc2 Rxd1 33.Kxd1 Ra1+ 34.Kc2 Rh1 Threatening a ...Rh2+-h1+ perpetual. 35.Qf4 Rg1 And now a ...Rg2+-g1+ perpetual! 36.Rxb3 So finally White acquiesces to an endgame that to be fair still offers promise. Rg2+ 37.Kc1 Bxb3 Yes White now has a queen for a rook and a bishop with an extra half a pawn. 38.h5 And still some attacking chances! Be6 39.Qg5 *(39.hxg6+ Kxg6* would be fairly solid for Black and so instead White is trying to arrange Black having to recapture on g6 with the pawn. *)* 39...Rg1+ 40.Kd2 Rxg4 41.hxg6+ Kg7 42.Qh5 Rg2+ 43.Ke3 Rxg6 But that aim wasn't achieved and Black is searching for the ultimate blockade. 44.Qe5+ Rf6 45.Qxb5 Bc8 Presumably Black would rather this bishop was on the more secure c6-square but it appears that even this is adequate. 46.Qe8 Rc6 47.Kd4 Rd6+ 48.Ke3 Rc6 49.Kd2 Be6 50.Qe7 Bc8 51.Kc2 Rf6 52.Qe8 Rc6 53.Qe7 Re6 54.Qg5+ Rg6 55.Qe5+ Of course traditional engines still clearly favour White but the elite ones agree that there is no way to make progress (or else their operators decided it was time for dinner!). ½-½ (55) Berserk (3476)-Stockfish Dev Da50 (3607) tcec-chess.com INT 2023 The Week in Chess 1483 [Chris Ward]]

[Of course opening up the h-file now would be handy(!) but Of course opening up the h-file now would be

handy(!) but 17.g4 Nb5 18.c4 *(Upon 18.Nd5* now, *Nb6!* would appeal.*)* 18...Nc3+ 19.Kc2 Nxd1 20.gxh5 Ne5! won't see Black getting mated and the piece count for the queen has gone up! won't see Black getting mated and the piece count for the queen has gone up!]

[Equally White can't afford to be casual and try and swap his way to victory with Equally White can't afford to be casual and try and swap his way to victory with 17.Nxc8? Rfxc8 18.c4 Rc6 leaving Black nicely active and with an attractive ...a5-a4 plan suggesting itself. leaving Black nicely active and with an attractive ... a5-a4 plan suggesting itself.]

17...a5! Yes Black has mating ideas of his own with ...a5-a4 looking to prise open the a-file and at the very least pile pressure on b3 and c4. Yes Black has mating ideas of his own with ...a5-a4 looking to prise open the a-file and at the very least pile pressure on b3 and c4. Chris Ward: '(Black has ideas of their own with ...a5-a4 looking to prise open the a-file and at the very least pile pressure on b3 and c4.)' 18.Qe3!

[The only good move with 18.g4?! a4 19.gxh5 axb3 20.axb3 Ra1+! for example showing how quickly things can turn. Suddenly 21.Kxa1 Nxb3+ 22.Kb1 Nxd2+ 23.Rxd2 gxh5 24.Rxd6 Ne5 would leave Black with two minor pieces for a rook and pawn, clearly on top. would leave Black with two minor pieces for a rook and pawn, clearly on top.]

18...Nc6 19.Nxc8!

[As far as trades go, definitely the right minor piece to take. Instead 19.Nxc6 bxc6 20.Rxd6 a4 21.b4 *(*After *21.Rxc6? axb3* White can't retake on b3 either because of a pin or a skewer! White can't retake on b3 either because of a pin or a skewer!*)* 21...Ne5 22.Rc1 Be6 would leave White with two pawns to go with his queen for three minor pieces but Black simply too active. would leave White with two pawns to go with his queen for three minor pieces but Black simply too active.]

[Equally Black would get some serious action after 19.Nd5?! a4 20.b4 Nde5 21.Rc1 f5!]

19...Rfxc8 20.Rxd6 Your box standard engines are still assessing this position as clearly better for White but it has been a bit of a minefield just to maintain that alleged edge! Your box standard engines are still asessing this position as clearly better for White but it has been a bit of a minefield just to maintain that alleged edge! Chris Ward: '(Your box standard engines are still assessing this position as clearly better for White but it has already been a bit of a minefield just to maintain that alleged edge!)'

20...Nde5 More to the point Black remains unconcerned that his opponent has an extra pawn on both sides of the board and continues his quest for activity. Certainly losing that d6-pawn is a weight off the shoulders! More to the point Black remains unconcerned that his opponent has an extra pawn on both sides of the board and continues his quest for activity. Certainly losing that d6-pawn is a weight off the shoulders!

Chris Ward: 'featuring in the amazing eventual draw Stockfish 202006170741 (3801)-LCZero v0. 25.1-svjio-t60-3972 (3813) https://tcec-chess.com 2020. As you'll see this game is no less incredible but re my original comment for example' 21.f4 ...a4 was a very serious threat with the e5-knight attacking c4 and so White rightly budges it. ...a4 was a very serious threat with the e5-knight attacking c4 and so White rightly budges it.

21...Ng4 22.Qd2

[Not that relevant but for the record 22.Qb6 a4 23.Qxb7?? axb3 would suddenly be game over in Black's favour. Instead White correctly plays it tight at the back! would suddenly be game over in Black's favour. Instead White correctly plays it tight at the back!]

22...a4 23.b4 a3! But naturally Black continues to be a nuisance, here facilitating the idea of ...Ra4 to target b4. But naturally Black continues to be a nuisance, here facilitating the idea of ...Ra4 to target b4. 24.Rh3!

[This was the only good way to deal with Black's threat and actually upon This was the only good way to deal with Black's threat and actually upon 24.b5? Na5 suddenly c4 caves.]

24...Nf6

[The point was 24...Ra4 25.Rb3 but Black has other points to hassle, now targeting the e4-pawn. but Black has other points to hassle, now targeting the e4-pawn.]

25.Qe1

[Of course not 25.e5? allowing the fork Ne4]

25...Ra4 26.Rb3 Ne8! It really is relentless stuff and a joy to watch. Gaining a tempo on the white rook, Black effectively reactivates the Dragon bishop thus providing support for the other knight to drop in to d4. It really is relentless stuff and a joy to watch. Gaining a tempo on the white rook, Black effectively reactivates the Dragon bishop thus providing support for the other knight to drop in to d4. 27.Rd5 Nd4 28.Qc3! Hardly a comfortable looking move but the only one to keep the upper hand or at least the illusion of! Hardly a comfortable looking move but the only one to keep the upper hand or at least the illusion of!

[Upon 28.Rd3?? Rxc4 , with b4 hanging White is in deep trouble.]

28...Nxb3 29.Qxb3 Raa8 Now the imbalance is a rook, knight and bishop for a queen and two pawns. Materialistically then things have gone backwards for White but if you argue as many do that a queen is worth 10pts rather than 9, then he is still up in that department and for the time being at least, he has certainly rebuffed Black's threats. Now the imbalance is a rook, knight and bishop for a queen and two pawns. Materialistically then things have gone backwards for White but if you argue as many do that a queen is worth 10pts rather than 9, then he is still up in that department and for the time being at least, he has certainly rebuffed Black's threats.

30.c5 b6!? But Black isn't going to sit back for long and more to the point

it really does look as though he has everything worked out! But Black isn't going to sit back for long and more to the point it really does look as though he has everything worked out! 31.Rd7!

[The idea was 31.cxb6 Rc3! 32.Qd1 Rc4! The best White can hope for is a repetition given the alternative The best White can hope for is a repetition given the alternative 33.Rb5 Nf6! when Black is clearly better after when Black is clearly better after 34.b7 Rb8 bearing in mind 35.Qd3 Nxe4! indirectly guards the rook through the fork on d2. indirectly guards the rook through the fork on d2.]

31...bxc5 32.Qxf7 cxb4 White has doubled major pieces on the 7th rank but g7 is protected and Black now threatens ...b3. White has doubled major pieces on the 7th rank but g7 is protected and Black now threatens ...b3. 33.f5!

[By the way, highlighting another threat, note 33.e5? Ra6 preparing to double on the c-file and deliver mate on c1. Instead of blunting the Dragon bishop then in what I should mention is another 'only move', White focuses on challenging the pawn shield around and hence exposing more the black king. preparing to double on the c-file and deliver mate on c1. Instead of blunting the Dragon bishop then in what I should mention is another 'only move', White focuses on challenging the pawn shield around and hence exposing more the black king.]

33...Rc6 Tendering the required lateral support for both g6 and f6 whilst facilitating the c-file doubling plan. Tendering the required lateral support for both g6 and f6 whilst facilitating the c-file doubling plan.

34.fxg6+ Rxg6 35.Qd5 The white queen is wonderfully placed here of course but it just seems as though Black has everything worked out! The white queen is wonderfully placed here of course but it just seems as though Black has everything worked out! 35...b3!

36.Qxa8

[I have to confess that when I first saw this amazing game I stopped at this point to analyse 36.Rxg7+ Nxg7 37.Qxa8 Rxg2 38.axb3 Rb2+ 39.Ka1 Rxb3 40.e5 in detail to try to find a way for White to win. I couldn't and then noticed that it transposed to the game anyway!]

36...Rxg2 37.Rxg7+

[The only other try is 37.axb3 a2+ 38.Qxa2 *(Rather than 38.Kc1?? a1Q+ 39.Qxa1 Rg1+)* 38...Rxa2 39.Kxa2 Nf6 which should be a draw e.g. 40.Rd4 *(or 40.Re7 Kg6 41.b4 Bf8 42.Rb7 Nxe4 43.b5* when even the far from forced *Nc3+ 44.Kb3 Nxb5 45.Rxb5 Be7* does the job.*)* 40...Ng4 41.Rd5 *(or 41.Rc4 Bf6)* 41...Nf6 42.Ra5 Kg6 43.e5 Ng4 44.e6 Bf6 etc.]

37...Nxg7 38.axb3 Rb2+ 39.Ka1 Rxb3 40.e5 in detail to try to find a way for White to win. I couldn't and then noticed that it transposed to the game anyway! Chris Ward: 'in detail to try to find a way for White to win. I couldn't and then noticed that it transposed to the game anyway!'

40...Rb6 And this is the big point. Black doesn't need to keep his a-pawn in

the hope of trading it for his e-pawn. And this is the big point. Black doesn't need to keep his a-pawn in the hope of trading it for his e-pawn. 41.Qe4+ Kh8 42.Qa8+ Kh7 43.Qe4+ Kh8 44.Ka2 Re6 On the face of it ultra passive but it soon dawns that Black has a nice blockade and can simply oscillate his rook along his 3rd rank. On the face of it ultra passive but it soon dawns that Black has a nice blockade and can simply oscillate his rook along his 3rd rank. 45.Qe3

[45.Kxa3 Rb6 transposes to the game but a reminder that Black's defence doesn't rely on trying to keep the enemy king on the a-file but rather preventing it travelling to the 3rd rank whilst keeping the e-pawn in check.]

45...Ra6 46.Qd3 Re6 47.Qe3 Ra6 48.Qe4 Re6 Put simply the king looks after the knight, the knight looks after the h-pawn and both the knight and rook keep the e-pawn under lock and key. Black merely needs to be careful to hold that 3rd rank whilst not casually dropping his rook on a dodgy 3rd rank square. Put simply the king looks after the knight, the knight looks after the h-pawn and both the knight and rook keep the e-pawn under lock and key. Black merely needs to be careful to hold that 3rd rank whilst not casually dropping his rook on a dodgy 3rd rank square. 49.Kxa3 Rb6 50.Qf3 Re6 51.Qf4 Rb6 52.Qe4 Kg8 53.Qa8+ Kh7 54.Qe4+ Kh8 transposes to the game but a reminder that Black's defence doesn't rely on trying to keep the enemy king on the a-file but rather preventing it travelling to the 3rd rank whilst keeping the e-pawn in check. Chris Ward: 'transposes to the game but a reminder that Black's defence doesn't rely on trying to keep the enemy king on the a-file but rather preventing it travelling to the 3rd rank whilst keeping the e-pawn in check.' 55.Qa8+ Kh7 56.Qa7 Re6 57.Qe3 Kh8 58.Qc5 Rh6 59.Qc8+ Kh7 60.Qc7 Kh8 61.Kb2 Kh7 62.Ka3 Kh8 63.Qd8+ Kh7 64.Kb4 Re6 65.Qd3+ Kh8 66.Qd8+ Kh7 67.Qc7 Rh6 68.Kb3 Kh8 69.Qd8+ Kh7 70.Qd3+ Kh8 71.Ka4 Re6 72.Qe3 Rg6 73.Kb3 Rc6 74.Qf4 Kh7 75.Qe4+ Rg6 76.Ka2 Kh6 77.Qe3+ Kh7 78.Qd3 Kh6 79.Qe3+ Kh7 80.Qf2 Re6 81.Qc2+ Kh8 82.Qe4 Rb6 83.Qa8+ Kh7 84.Qe4+ Kg8 85.Qf4 Re6 86.Qc4 Kh8 87.Qc7 Kh7 88.Kb3 Rh6 89.Qc2+ Well we can't say White didn't try but with absolutely no progress made, it indeed looks as though Black was always on top of the situation. Black may not have selected the Dragon through free will and then was forced to play 9...Nd7 against 9 Bc4 but over and above that, what an impressive game! Well we can't say White didn't try but with absolutely no progress made, it indeed looks as though Black was always on top of the situation. Black may not have selected the Dragon through free will and then was forced to play 9... Nd7 against 9 Bc4 but over and above that, what an impressive game! ½-½ (89) Stockfish (3801)-LCZero v0.25.1-svjio-t60-3972 (3813) https://tcec-chess.com 2020

[Chris Ward]

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129 **13...Be6** Chris Ward: '(developing this piece and effectively unpinning the d-pawn.) is the first obvious port of call. Then (developing this piece and effectively unpinning the d-pawn.) is the first obvious port of call. Then' 14.Bh6

[14.h5 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Nd5 Chris Ward: 'is probably an improved endgame version on the main game for Black. White remains for preference but much like in the main line 9 0-0-0 d5, at least Black gets a strong knight on d5. is probably an improved endgame version on the main game for Black. White remains for preference but much like in the main line 9 0-0-0 d5, at least Black gets a strong knight on d5.']

[14.Bd4 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Qxd4 17.Rxd4 Chris Ward: 'should also similarly be a little better for White although Black went on to hold should also similarly be a little better for White although Black went on to hold' Rfd8 18.Rhd1 Rd5 Chris Ward: 'in Hund,B (2270)-Sadkiewicz,J (2225) Germany 1994']

14...Nc4

[14...Bf6 Chris Ward: 'may offer some reasonable compensation for the exchange if White takes it now but may offer some reasonable compensation for the exchange if White takes it now but' 15.h5 Chris Ward: '!' Re8 (Chris Ward: 'The problem with' *15...Rb8* Chris Ward: 'is that after' *16.hxg6* Chris Ward: 'necessary is' *fxg6* Chris Ward: 'when' *17.Bxf8 Qxf8* Chris Ward: 'is speculative if possibly worth a go! is speculative if possibly worth a go!')]

15.Bxc4 dxc4 16.Qg5

[Chris Ward: 'Still of course' 16.Bxg7 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Kxg7 Chris Ward: 'is a small endgame advantage for White. Black has the bishop for knight advantage but queenside structural issues. is a small endgame advantage for White. Black has the bishop for knight advantage but queenside structural issues.']

16...Bxh6

[16...Bf6 17.Qe3 Qa5 18.Bxf8 Rxf8 Chris Ward: 'loses any appeal after' 19.f4 Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward:

'planning e4-e5.']
17.Qxh6 Qa5 Chris Ward: 'can at least allow Black the chance to meet'
18.h5 Chris Ward: '?!' Chris Ward: 'with'
18...g5 Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'although instead 18 Qg5! still seeks a favourable endgame. although instead 18 Qg5! still seeks a favourable endgame.'
14.h5 dxe4
[14...Rb8 15.Bh6 dxe4 16.hxg6 Qxd2+ 17.Bxd2 hxg6 18.Nxe4 Bf5 19.Nc5 Chris Ward: 'is probably on par with the main game. Note' Bxb2+ Chris Ward: '?!' 20.Kxb2 Na4+ 21.Ka3 Nxc5 22.Bb4 Chris Ward: 'doesn't really work and so White is again a bit better. doesn't really work and so White is again a bit better.']
15.hxg6 Qxd2+
[15...hxg6 Chris Ward: '?' 16.Qe1 Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'is too dangerous.']
16.Rxd2 hxg6 17.Nxe4 Bf5 18.c4 Chris Ward: '!'
[Chris Ward: 'Keeping the black knight out of d5. Instead' 18.Nc5 Nd5 Chris Ward: 'at least offers Black some action even whilst those queenside isolanis remain. at least offers Black some action even whilst those queenside isolanis remain.']
18...Bxe4
[Chris Ward: 'A tough choice.' 18...Na4 19.b3 Nc3 20.Nxc3 Bxc3 21.Rdd1 a5 22.g4 Be6 23.Kc2 Bg7 24.a4 Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'would see Black's queenside pawn weaknesses fixed. Instead Black evens up the stakes in the pawn island department but instead gives White the bishop pair advantage. would see Black's queenside pawn weaknesses fixed. Instead Black evens up the stakes in the pawn island department but instead gives White the bishop pair advantage.']
19.fxe4 Rfd8 20.Rhd1 Chris Ward: 'Unfortunately it seems to me that all in all this is more of a 'clear' than 'small' advantage to White and so with best play all round, Black should lose. Indeed he does... Unfortunately it seems to me that all in all this is more of a 'clear' than 'small' advantage to White and so with best play all round, Black should lose. Indeed he does...'
20...Rxd2 21.Rxd2 Kf8 22.c5 Chris Ward: '!' 22...Na4 23.Bd1 Chris Ward: '!' 23...Bxb2+ 24.Rxb2 Nxb2 25.Kxb2 Chris Ward: 'Black had no other option after 22 c5! but although the Stockfish variant tries to dig in, with just a rook for two bishops, I'd have pretty much written it off. Black had no other option after 22 c5! but although the Stockfish variant tries to dig in, with just a rook for two bishops, I'd have pretty much written it off.' 25...Rd8 26.Ba4 Rc8 27.Bb3 Ke8 28.Kc3 Rb8 29.g4 e6 30.g5 Ke7 31.Bd4 Ke8 32.Bc2 Kd7 33.Bd3 Rb7 34.Be5 Ke8 35.Kc2 Kd7 36.Bg7 a5 37.Kc3 Rb4 38.Bf6 Kc7 39.a3 Rb7 40.Kc4 Kc8 41.Bc3 Ra7 42.Kb3 Rd7 43.Bc2 Rb7+ 44.Ka4 Kb8 45.Bd3 Ka7 46.Bxa5 Chris Ward: 'Finally White has bagged a pawn leaving him (it!) well on the way to victory. Finally White has bagged a pawn leaving him (it!) well on the way to victory.' 46...Rb2 47.Bc3 Rg2 48.Bf6 Rd2 49.Bb1 Rd7 50.Kb3 Rb7+ 51.Ka2 Rd7 52.a4 Rd1 53.Bc2 Rd2 54.Kb3 Ka6 55.Kc3 Rg2

56.Bd3+ Ka7 57.a5 Rg3 58.Kd4 Rh3 59.Be7 Rg3 60.Bc4 Ra3 61.Ke5 Re3 62.Kd6 1-0 (62) Malysheva,P (3813)-Elderton,E (3801) Moscow 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Blazsik, Z]

130 **7...a6** 8.Bc4 b5 9.Bb3 Bb7 10.f3 Nbd7 11.0-0 Rc8 12.a4 b4 13.Nd5 a5 14.Qd2 Ne5 15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Qe2 0-0 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nb5 Qb8 19.Bd4 Ba6 20.Kh1 Nd7 21.c3 bxc3 22.bxc3 Nc5 23.Bxf6 Nxb3 24.Bxe7 Nxa1 25.Bxf8 Kxf8 26.Rxa1 Rxc3 27.Qb2 Rc8 28.Qh8+ Ke7 29.Qxh7 Bxb5 30.Qh4+ Kf8 31.axb5 Kg7 32.Qe1 Qxb5 33.Rxa5 Qb2 34.Ra1 Rc2 35.Rb1 Qa2 36.Ra1 Qb2 37.Rb1 Qa2 38.Qg1 Rxg2 39.Qxg2 Qxb1+ 40.Kh2 Qd3 41.Qb2+ Kh7 42.Kg2 d5 43.exd5 Qxd5 44.Qf6 Qd2+ 45.Kg3 Qd5 46.Kg2 Qd2+ 47.Kg3 Qd5 48.h4 Kg8 49.Qg5 Qxg5+ 50.hxg5 Kg7 51.Kf4 f6 52.gxf6+ Kxf6 53.Kg4 Kf7 54.f4 Kg7 55.f5 gxf5+ 56.Kxf5 ½-½ (56) Konstantin Tarlev (2819)-Symbiote (2672) Blitz 2022

131 Chris Ward: 'One of those being my observing that' **9...Nxd4** 10.Bxd4 Be6 Chris Ward: 'resembled a strange Yugoslav Attack, suggesting 'I feel it should be a good version for Black as he will have more tricks against the e4 pawn while White is a long way from opening the h file.' However White could try to utilise his f pawn here with a quick f4, Gawain providing us with:'

[10...Qa5 11.Bc4 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.Kb1 Rac8 14.f3 b5 15.e5 dxe5 16.Bxe5 b4 17.Bxf6 bxc3 18.Bxc3 Rxc3 19.Rhe1 Qb6 20.Ka1 Rb8 21.Rb1 Ra3 22.c3 Rxa2+ 23.Kxa2 Qa5# 0-1 (23) Kenkons (2812)-Mr Hardway (2726) Blitz 2022]

11.Kb1

[11.g4 Qa5 12.a3 Rfc8 13.f4 b5 14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nd5 Qxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Bxd5 17.Rxd5 a6 18.g5 Bg7 19.h4 Rc6 20.Rh2 h5 21.Kb1 e6 22.Rd1 Kf8 23.Rhd2 Ke7 24.c3 Rb8 25.Rc2 a5 26.Rdc1 Rc5 27.Bd3 d5 28.e5 a4 29.Rd1 Rc7 30.Be2 Ke8 31.Rd4 Bf8 32.Rcd2 Bc5 33.Bf1 Ke7 34.Ka2 Rb6 35.Be2 Rcb7 36.Bf1 Rc7 37.Be2 Bxd4 38.Rxd4 Rc4 39.Bxc4 bxc4 40.Ka1 ½-½ (40) Ivk88 (2840)-Muisback (2937) Blitz 2021]

11...Rc8

[11...Qa5 Chris Ward: 'looks to highlight the loosened e4 pawn as the typical' 12.Nd5 Chris Ward: 'is nothing to fear' Qxd2 13.Nxe7+ Chris Ward: '?' *(13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Rxd2* Chris Ward: '=') 13...Kh8 14.Rxd2 Nxe4 15.Bxg7+ Kxg7 Chris Ward: 'wins material.']

12.g4 b5 Chris Ward: '!?' 13.Bg2 Chris Ward: '(This move doesn't not convincing GJ)' 13...Rc4 14.Qe3 Qa5 15.b3 Rxd4 Chris Ward: '!?' 16.Rxd4 Rc8 17.Nd5 Chris Ward: 'Abreu Delgado,A (2474) -Lorenzo de la Riva,L (2407) Sant Marti 2010 when' 17...Nxd5 18.exd5 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Bd7 Chris Ward: 'looks around level'

Chris Ward: 'An obvious comparison to make is in the possibility of' **9...d5** 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.Nxd5

[12.Bd4 e5 13.Bc5 Be6 14.Bc4

A) 14...Qh4 15.Bxd5 cxd5 16.Bxf8 Rxf8 17.Nxd5 Bh6

(17...Qc4 18.Nc3 e4 19.Rhe1 f5 20.a3 h5 21.Re3 Bh6 22.Qd4 Qc8 23.Qxa7 Bf7 24.h4 Qc6 25.g3 Ra8 26.Qd4 Rb8 27.Qd6 Qb7 28.Qb4 Qa7 29.Qd4 Qb7 30.b4 Rc8 31.Nd5 Bg7 32.Nf6+ Kh8 33.Qd6 Bg8 34.Nd7 Qa7 35.Nc5 Bf7 36.Kd2 Bf8 37.Qd4+ Kg8 38.Ke1 Bg7 39.Qd7 Rc7 40.Qd8+ Kh7 41.Kf1 Qb6 42.Qd6 Qc6 43.Qxc6 Rxc6 44.Rxe4 Rf6 45.Rf4 Bh6 46.Rxf5 g5 47.Rxf6 Kg7 48.Rxf7+ Kxf7 49.hxg5 1-0 (49) Kenkons (2815)-Sakali (2673) Blitz 2022*)* 18.Ne3 Qa4 19.a3 Rb8 20.Qd6 Qb5 21.Qb4 Qe8 22.Qa5 e4 23.Rd2 Bg7 24.c3 Bf6 25.Rhd1 Qc6 26.Rd8+ Rxd8 27.Rxd8+ Bxd8 28.Qxd8+ Kg7 29.Qd4+ Kg8 30.Qxa7 Qb5 31.Qa8+ Kg7 32.Qxe4 Qb3 33.Qd4+ Kg8 34.Qd8+ Kg7 35.Qd4+ Kg8 36.Qd1 Qa2 37.Qc2 f5 38.g3 Bf7 39.h4 h5 40.c4 Qa1+ 41.Kd2 Qg1 42.Ke2 Be8 43.Qd1 Qh1 44.Qd5+ Qxd5 45.Nxd5 Kf7 46.Ke3 Ke6 47.Kd4 1-0 (47) Kenkons (2820)-Smurf42 (2707) Blitz 2022;

B) 14...Re8 15.Nxd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Bxd5 17.Qxd5 Qg5+ 18.Be3 Qh4 19.Kb1 a5 20.g3 Qb4 21.a3 Qa4 22.Qb3 Qc6 23.Qd5 Qa4 24.Qd7 Qe4 25.Rhe1 Rec8 26.Qd3 Qa4 27.Bc1 Rab8 28.Re4 Qc6 29.g4 f5 30.gxf5 gxf5 31.Re2 Qf6 32.Qd6 e4 33.Qxf6 Bxf6 34.Rd5 f4 35.Rxe4 1-0 (35) Kenkons (2828)-Smurf42 (2717) Blitz 2022]

12...cxd5 13.Qxd5 Qc7 14.Qxa8 Bf5 15.Qxf8+ Kxf8 Chris Ward: 'I have always thought that Black has compensation in the analogous (usual!) position with White having played f2-f3 rather than the h2-h3 here, but having the e3-bishop secure is very useful for White after' 16.Bd3 Chris Ward: 'In either instance the engine opts for the move that is 3rd most common in the 9 0-0-0 Yugoslav.' 16...Be6 17.a3 Be5 18.c3 Bf4 19.Rhe1 Bxe3+ 20.Rxe3 Qf4 21.Rd2 Qh2 22.Be4 Qg1+ 23.Kc2 Ba2 24.Kd3 Qc1 25.Ree2 e5 26.g4 f5 27.gxf5 gxf5 28.Bxf5 Bb1+ 29.Rc2 Qd1+ 30.Ke3 Bxc2 31.Rxc2 Qe1+ 32.Kf3 Kg7 33.Kg2 Kf6 34.Bxh7 e4 35.c4 Ke5 36.c5 Qd1 37.Rc3 Qh5 38.c6 Qxh7 39.c7 Qg8+ 40.Kh2 Qc8 41.Rc5+ Kd6 42.b4 Qf8 43.c8Q Qxf2+ 44.Kh1 Qf1+ 45.Kh2 Qf2+ 46.Kh1 Qf1+ 47.Kh2 Qf2+ ½-½ (47) Imfar (2823)-Benj49 (2764) Blitz 2021

9...Qa5 10.Nb3 Qc7 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne5 13.Bh6 Bxh6 14.Qxh6 a5 15.Nd4 a4 16.a3 Bd7 17.c3 Ra5 18.Nc2 f6 19.Qe3 Re8 20.Qg3 Qb6 21.f4 Nf7 22.Rd4 Nh6 23.Rb4 Qa7 24.Bc4 Nf5 25.Qe1 Ng7 26.g4 b5 27.Ba2 e5 28.dxe6 Bxe6 29.Bxe6+ Rxe6 30.Qd2 Qb7 31.Rd1 Ne8 32.Kb1 Qd7 33.Qd3 Re7 34.Rd4 Qb7 35.Rd5 Kg7 36.Nb4 Qb6 37.Rd4 Qb7 38.Nd5 Re6 39.h4 Qf7 40.Rg1 Kh8 41.h5 g5 42.fxg5 Qg8 43.gxf6 Nxf6 44.Nxf6 Rxf6 45.Rxd6 Rxd6 46.Qxd6 Ra8 47.Qe5+ Qg7 48.Qxb5 Qe7 49.Ka1 Qe8 50.Qg5 Qd7 51.h6 Rd8 52.Qf6+ Kg8 53.Qg5+ Kh8 54.Qf6+ Kg8 55.Qe5 Re8 56.Qg5+ Kh8 57.Rf1 Rd8 58.Qe5+ Kg8 59.Qg5+ Kh8 60.Qf4 Kg8 61.c4 Qe7 62.c5 Qf6 63.Qc4+ Kh8 64.Qc1 Qd4 65.c6 Rc8 66.c7 Qd7 67.Qc4 Re8 68.Ka2 Qd2

69.c8Q Rd8 70.Rf8+ Rxf8 71.Qxf8# 1-0 (71) Reinforcementtrial (2862)-Phalanx Xxv (2363) Rapid 2023

132 Chris Ward: 'As far as I can make out, the game Gasper,G-Hidalgo Mendoza,E ICC INT 2009 is the only other instance of this position arising when after' **10...Qb8** 11.f4 Rc8 12.g4 b5 13.g5 Chris Ward: '?!' Chris Ward: 'Black should have played 13...b4! but instead' 13...Nh5 Chris Ward: '?!' 14.Nd5 Kf8 15.f5 Chris Ward: 'was very nice for White.'

10...Rc8 Chris Ward: 'is an obvious alternative whilst Black would have 'felt' more in the game through'

10...b5 Chris Ward: '!?' Chris Ward: 'e.g.' 11.Bxb5

[Chris Ward: 'Or' 11.Ndxb5 Rb8]

11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxb5 13.Nxb5 Nxe4 14.Qe3 Nf6

133 Chris Ward: 'The problem with the 'blocker'' **13...h5** Chris Ward: 'is that after' 14.g4 Chris Ward: '!?' 14...hxg4 15.h5 Chris Ward: 'there won't ever be any ...Rxc3 type saviours and so that leaves' 15...Nxh5 Chris Ward: 'when the likes of Bh6 and Nd5 are looking very worrying!'

14.h5 Nxh5 Chris Ward: 'Arguably asking for trouble but I don't much like Black's position. He's made a lot of moves (h2-h3-h4 even donating a tempo) but still isn't in a position to really do anything.' 15.Nd5 Qd8 Chris Ward: 'It certainly doesn't look that much fun for Black who has grabbed a hot pawn and with no real attack of his own is basically looking to survive on the kingside.' 16.Qf2 Chris Ward: 'Possibly paving the way to spring out to h4 in the future or possibly cover the g3-square but it is interesting how White eschews Bh6 options in this game.'

[Chris Ward: 'Instead' 16.Nb6 Ng3 17.Rg1 Nxf1 18.Rgxf1 a5 19.Nxa8 Rxa8 Chris Ward: 'would have left Black with a pawn and in an ...a4 plan, certainly some compensation for the exchange.']

16...Nf6 17.g4

[Chris Ward: 'Or' 17.Nxf6+ Chris Ward: 'first but White still refrains from']

[17.Nb6 Chris Ward: 'evidently with checkmate rather than material game on 'his' mind!']

17...Ne5 18.Qh2 Chris Ward: '!'

[Chris Ward: 'Pretty direct and slightly more accurate than' 18.Qh4]

18...h6

[18...Nxf3 19.Nxf6+ exf6 *(*Chris Ward: 'or' *19...Bxf6 20.Qxh7+ Kf8 21.Bh6+ Ke8 22.Qg8#)* 20.Qxh7+ Kf8 21.Bh6 Bxh6 22.Qxh6+ Ke7 23.Qf4 Ne5 24.g5 Chris Ward: 'is awful but already things are getting desperate.']

19.Bxh6 Nfxg4 Chris Ward: 'Desperation to prevent Black simply crashing down the h-file.'

[19...Nxf3 20.Qf4 Chris Ward: 'doesn't help.']

20.fxg4 Nxg4 21.Qf4 Nxh6 22.Rxh6 e6

[Chris Ward: 'Black is clinging to the hope that his Dragon bishop will save the day but that's a heavy burden on one piece. Nevertheless' 22...Bxh6 23.Qxh6 Chris Ward: 'would leave White with the simple plan of moving

his bishop to facilitate Rh1.']
23.Ne3 Qf6 Chris Ward: 'Threatening a cheeky mate on b2 and hence forcing off the queens.' 24.Qxf6 Bxf6 Chris Ward: 'Now Black's king is safe and he has the bishop pair but the bottom line is that he only has two pawns for the piece and he retains a weak d6-pawn.' 25.Rh3 Bc6 26.Bd3 Rd8 27.Ng4 Bg7 28.c3 a5 29.Nd4 Bxd4 Chris Ward: 'Maybe objectively best but I couldn't see myself doing this. At the end of the day though a tad irrelevant as the endgame technique of Stockfish looks up to scratch!' 30.cxd4 Kg7 31.Rdh1 Rh8 32.Rxh8 Rxh8 33.Rxh8 Kxh8 34.e5 Chris Ward: '!' Chris Ward: 'Grabbing that f6-square and hence making it impossible for Black to create a threatening majority.' 34...dxe5 35.dxe5 Kg7 36.Kc2 g5 37.Kd2 a4 38.a3 b6 39.Nf6 Kh6 40.Ke3 Kg7 41.Kf2 Bb7 42.Kg3 Kh6 43.Kg4 b5 44.Bxb5 Kg6 1-0 Kottnauer-Feher,Gyula/EU-Cup Online Final rapid 2021